

# The Cotulla Record.

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\$1 IN ADVANCE

## ANNUAL MID-WINTER CLEARING SALE

Begins Wednesday Jan. 8th, at K. Burwell's.

The Clearing broom will sweep everything in Winter Goods from the store. Unusually good bargains will be shown in Millinery, Ladies and Children's Wraps and what we have left in Ladies Skirts. We will make astonishing reductions in all winter goods. Prices marked way down on all Blankets and Comforts.

You will also find some interesting prices in the Gent's Furnishings Department. Stop in and see for yourself.

# K. BURWELL.

### WEST TEXAS BANK RESUMES BUSINESS.

AFTER THOROUGH EXAMINATION STATE OFFICIALS DECLARE INSTITUTION IN BEST OF CONDITION.

Opened With Unusually Large Reserve and Without Conditions of Payment of Demand Liabilities.

After a suspension of less than two months the West Texas Bank & Trust Company opened its doors Tuesday, Jan. 31st. The State Banking Department which has been in control of the institution since its suspension, relinquished its hold Monday night.

Immediately after turning the bank over to its officers, Thomas B. Love, Commissioner on Insurance and Banking, gave out the following statement:

"I have restored the assets and affairs of the West Texas Bank and Trust Company to the possession and control of its directors, and its doors will reopen for business tomorrow, December 31.

"The most searching scrutiny of the company's affairs by the Department of Insurance and Banking since its suspension warrants the statement that it is entitled to the full confidence of the public in its entire solvency and in the integrity of its management.

"The company resumes business with an unusually large cash reserve, and without conditions as to the payment of demand liabilities."

Asked concerning general banking condition in Texas, Mr. Love said that a statement would be issued from his office probably Thursday. This statement will show the condition of 309 State banks at the close of business on December 31. Mr. Love intimated that this would show a very flattering condition of the State banks in general.

"What will further improve the general conditions in Texas," said

Mr. Love, "is for the bankers to show greater confidence in the people. The people manifested a greater confidence in the banks during the stringent times than could be expected. The situation now demands increased confidence on the parts of the bankers toward the people. Then it will not be long before everything is again normal.

#### Warning to Tax Payers.

Warning is hereby given to the tax-payers of La Salle county that the time for paying taxes due for the year 1907, without penalty, expires January 31st. After that date the law provides for a penalty of ten per cent additional.

Office open daily from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

W. T. HILL,

Tax Collector of La Salle county.

#### An Informal Affair.

The stock-holders of the La-Merced Mining Company were the guests at informal affair at the residence of Judge F. B. Earnest on the evening of Dec. 28th, in honor of Mr. E. S. Potts, of Mexico, superintendent for the mining company.

The meeting was of business and pleasure combined and was greatly enjoyed. Luncheon was served at 10:30.

### Robbins & Sutton, FEED STORE

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CORN CHOPS,  
COTTON SEED MEAL

ROBBINS & SUTTON,  
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### OPERATION PERFORMED ON JOE COTULLA, JR.

Withstood Ordeal and Chances Excellent for His Recovery.

At Austin last Tuesday an operation was performed on Joe Cotulla, Jr., by Dr. Wooten for trouble from which he has been suffering for several months. Advice from that city last night stated that he is progressing nicely and has splendid chances for recovery.

About four months ago from eating something of a poisonous nature an ulceration or tumor formed at the entrance of his stomach. He was under treatment of San Antonio physicians for a number of weeks, but did not improve. They wanted to perform an operation but he would not submit. During all this time he could retain but very little food on his stomach. Some three weeks ago he went to Austin and began treatment under Dr. Wooten. In healing the opening to the stomach had become almost closed, but the physician thought by the use of instruments this could be opened. However, this was not the case, as it had grown together almost entirely, admitting nothing into the stomach except very thin liquid.

The only thing left to do was to perform an operation which Joe consented to, and was on the operating table three hours Tuesday. A tube was inserted in his side connecting with his stomach from which he will receive nourishment for some time to come. It is the opinion of the physicians that when he gains sufficient strength the mouth of the stomach can be opened.

From a weight of 160 pounds Joe has fallen off till he now weighs only 100.

Messrs. Robbins & Sutton have purchased the grain store on Center Street from W. H. Fullerton, and will continue to handle all kinds of grain and hay.

#### Sold Farm at Millett.

Judge F. B. Earnest last week sold his farm at Millett to Mr. Frank Byer, a prosperous farmer of Lewis county, Missouri. This is probably the best farm in the county, taking into consideration its location and improvements, and Mr. Byer is to be congratulated upon his purchase. As Millett is one of the best locations on the I. & G. N. R. R. this farm is destined to become one of the most valuable pieces of property in Southwest Texas, as much of it will at sometime be in demand for town lots. Mr. Byers will take possession in the fall.

#### Notice to Tax-Payers.

I will be at Encinal Monday and Tuesday, January 6th and 7th for the purpose of collecting taxes. As I will have Rolls with me my office in Cotulla will be closed on those two days.

W. T. HILL,

Tax Collector of La Salle county.

#### Until February 1st.

J. A. Reed will allow 15 per cent discount from regular price on any suit of clothes in stock, about 1000 styles to make your selection from. This offer is not good after Feb. 1st, so make yours selection early.

#### To the Public

I have purchased the Meat Market of F. D. McMahan on Center Street and will continue to keep the best meats and solicit your patronage.

Respectfully,  
W. L. SHILLINGS.

Attention is called to the advertisement of Pearsall Amusement Co., on opening of their new house, LAUREL. Pearsall is getting to be quite an up to date town.

#### LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Don't forget to look up the City Barber Shop when you are looking for a good shave.

I have \$3000 or \$3500 to lend on approved real estate security.  
F. B. EARNEST.

Dr. Howard and wife of Devine spent Christmas week in Cotulla with Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Motheral. Asher Richardson and E. P. Rasmussen, prominent ranchmen of Dimmit county are in town today.

Misses Ida and Rose Earnest entertained their young friends last evening. A most enjoyable time was had by the large number present.

J. A. Reed has moved his tailoring line to Mabry's barber shop where he will be pleased to have his many customers call and inspect his samples.

Ed Cotulla of Laredo passed through here Thursday enroute home from Austin, where he had been to attend an operation performed on his brother Joe.

Mrs. Dr. Speer gave two large date palms this week to help beautify the Court House yard. The palms loom up magnificently before our Temple of Justice.

Judge Earnest was up at Millett first of the week and closed a deal with a gentleman from Missouri for his place adjoining that town.

### City Meat Market

FRESH MEATS DAILY  
SAUSAGE,  
BARBECUE,  
LIGHT BREAD.

COLD STORAGE,  
BUTTER and EGGS.

W. L. SHILLINGS  
Center Street,  
COTULLA, — TEXAS.

### RIDGELEY SAYS WORST IS OVER

FINANCIAL FLURRY WILL SOON BE THING OF THE PAST.

Credit for Stopping Panic Was Due to Treasury Department and Financiers.

Washington, D. C. Dec. 31.—Comptroller of the Currency Ridgeley has prepared a New Year's message to the American people at the request of the United Press, in which he states that in his opinion the worst of the panic has passed, but says that the country has a long period of readjustment and recuperation before it. He says values of all kinds will have to be readjusted and the country will go through a period of retrenchment and liquidation. He says that after the people have paid their debts they must reduce expenses. He believes that the great resources of the land will revive business and hopes that business will then be on a more sound and enduring basis than ever before.

"The panic this year, however, does not mean we should look forward with forebodings or fear," he said. "We have had our panic, but it is over certainly as far as the acute stages are concerned, and will soon be history.

"It is impossible to exactly locate the blame, to say just who should bear it, but one thing is certain, we are now all in the same boat and must endure together the after result of the panic. It might have been worse and would have been worse were it not for the treasury department's aid and some of the leading financiers.

"It will probably never be known how much credit is due to the men who furnished vast sums of money and supplied the credit in their patriotic effort to stop the panic and relieve the situation which might have led to far greater disaster if it had not been promptly met and so skillfully handled."

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## GOOD-BYE 1907—WELCOME 1908!

Nineteen hundred and seven A. D. has passed beyond the pale. With booming cannons, brilliant rockets and screaming whistles we paid tribute to the dying year and welcomed with glad hearts the bright dawning of the new one!

As a whole 1907 has been good to all our country, notwithstanding the financial panic of unprecedented severity unloaded upon us in its declining days. Throughout the land bountiful crops were produced and good crops means a flow of prosperity through all channels of trade. The money flurry which came two months ago is something never before known in good times. Panics of this kind have come before, but always in the darkened hour when the bright light of prosperity's star had ceased to shine. Therefore, the trouble started by the manipulators of Wall Street can but be of short duration. Already there is a glimmer of brighter days; we can see a silver lining to the dark cloud that has been hanging over us. Suspended banks are re-opening and mills and factories of the East have again thrown open their doors and given employment to thousands. 'Tis true that many went down with the crash, but generally speaking it has been a good thing. It put a check on the frenzied rush of wild development and mad speculation that raged almost in every part of the country, and will cause all things to move forward on a more sound basis. Everything and everybody will begin the New Year on a sounder footing than ever before, if such is possible.

Locally speaking, 1907 brought many changes. Notwithstanding the fact that there was practically a complete cotton crop failure in this immediate section, caused by the greatest deficiency of rainfall in probably fifteen years, there was a greater development than in any year of the past, and in fact more than that combined for the previous ten years. New settlers have moved into every part of the county. In the territory contiguous to Cotulla as much as six thousand acres of land has been cleared of brush and put in cultivation and farm houses are now scattered here and there over the short time-ago ranch domains where the festive long horn ranged at will.

There is not a town in the county that is not stamped with evidence of development. Cotulla, the Hub, made greater advances than in any dozen years of the past. When we look backward and stand on the threshold of 1907 we see a town that is hardly recognizable as the Cotulla of today. Yet we must not stop. We are yet far from having a model town, and not even past the point of criticism from people who come from places where everybody takes a pride in civic improvement. We did well in 1907, let's do better in 1908.

Congre-man Richmond P. Hobson of Alabama will shortly introduce a bill providing for the publication of a weekly paper by the government, in order that the people may keep in touch with the work going on in the different bureaus of the department. Sometimes such proceedings would not look well in print, but we agree with Mr. Hobson, the people should know what is going on.

A great many subscribers sent in a dollar to renew their subscription to the Record before January 1st, on which date the \$1.50 rate went into effect. While the advance in the price of printing paper necessitated the raise, we expect to give our patrons a paper the coming year worth the price you pay for it. If you take the paper a year and don't think you have got your money's worth we will willingly refund all ever collected from you.

There are some people in Cotulla who hate to see things get out of the old ruts. You can hear them making slight and discouraging remarks about the Park and other improvements, and it is their earnest desire to see the work of those who want to move ahead come to naught. Such people are not worth as much to humanity as a mangy coyote. If you can find one good deed those kind of fellows ever did we would like to know, so we can publish it.

There is a man from Maine up at San Antonio who wants three carloads of buzzards to ship East. If we could have entrapped all we saw eating a deer out in the woods that our friend, the County Treasurer, killed recently, we could have supplied the gentleman forthwith.

Transplanting on the onion farms has given work to several hundred laborers, and the poorer class of people have not felt the money stringency at Cotulla as they have elsewhere. Great is the onion!

The young man who does things is the young man who is in demand today. The fellow who spends half the day rolling cigarettes and half the night in the barroom has long ago lost out and his day will never return.

Girls—Leap Year and the opportunity is up to you to put the question direct to the boys who have been rather slow in advancing the matrimonial proposition.

Not on your life will Bailey ever resign his job to make a test of how the people stand. Oh, no! Joe knows what Texas would do to him if the chance was given.

During Bryan's duck hunt with Governor Campbell and other Texas politicians no doubt he bagged the Texas delegation to the National Convention.

Science will yet discover a great commercial value for prickly pear. When that time comes won't the land owner of Southwest Texas be it?

It's 1908 and it's time to begin to commence to get busy on that new school building Cotulla must have by September 1st. Why the delay?

A man at Richmond was presented with two boys and two girls by his wife for a Christmas present. And his name was Luck.

A few good laying hens are always mighty good property but about the time of the holidays they were a regular bonanza.

How many New Year resolutions did you make? How many remain intact by this time?

It's all over. The new year is three days old—and its back to work.

1907 was a year of many train wrecks and nine disasters.

This is the year of the general election. Pay your poll tax.



"I suppose your financial reverses will keep you walking the floor?" "Worse than that," answered Mr. Jonah Jones. "It looks as if wouldn't be able to rent a floor."

"You look so nice in your new fall suit," said Mrs. Drowse, "don't you think you'd better come to church with me this morning?" "Not on your life!" replied Mr. Drowse; "it doesn't do a new suit any good to sleep in it."

A well to do farmer who had sent his son to Philadelphia to begin life as clerk, wrote to the merchant in whose employ he was, asking how the boy was getting along and where he slept at night. The merchant replied: "He sleeps in the store in the day time. I don't know where he sleeps at night."

Hicks—Your wife was telling my wife that you've got all your Christmas presents paid for.

Wicks—Yes, paid for the last of them yesterday.

Hicks—Lucky dog! I haven't even begun to think of the presents I've got to buy.

Wicks—O! neither have we for this year. My wife was speaking of last year's presents.—Ex.

"Well, how did you enjoy yourself in Paris?" they asked of Mrs. Maloney when she got home.

"Very well," she replied. "Very well, indeed; but there was wan thing that surprised me more than anythin' else."

"And what was that?" they queried.

"There were a lot of policemen there and all av thim was French."

At a country fete a conjurer was performing the old trick of producing eggs from a hat, when he remarked to a little boy: "Y mother get eggs without a con she?"

"Of course she can," replied the lad.

"Why, how is that?" asked the conjurer.

"She keeps ducks," replied the boy, amidst roars of laughter.

Two Irishmen were traveling on the prairie.

When night came they were many miles away from any house and had nothing to eat but a small quail which they had killed during the day. It was not enough for both of them, so they decided to go to sleep and the one that had the best dream that night was to have the quail in the morning. Morning came, and Pat said:

"Well, Mike, I dreamed last night I went to heaven in a basket."

He thought sure this would win the quail for him. But Mike rejoined: "Yes, Pat, I dreamed I saw you going and I got up and ate the quail."—Holland's Magazine.

Men who are supposed to know what they are talking about say the crisis has been passed in the financial situation, and while conditions will not resume their normal at a whirlwind gait, yet things will gradually get better. Locally the stringency has been felt to a considerable extent but no doubt many places were hit harder than we were. There were but few towns in the United States where conditions were not of such a panicky nature that banks did not limit withdrawals. Cotulla was one of the exceptions. We have both a National and State bank, and there was not a time but what a depositor could close his account, if he so desired.

Harry Thaw, the slayer of Stanton White will soon go on trial again. It is said in the coming trial the defense will adhere strictly to the plea of insanity at the time the act was committed, and no mention will be made of the higher or unwritten law.

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**LOCAL ITEMS OF INTEREST THAT WERE RECORDED IN 1907.**

**JANUARY.**  
With the beginning of the year the Sunday law went into effect and was enforced throughout the year in Cotulla.

Telephone line to Ranches down the Nueces constructed.

Stockmens National Bank increased capital \$15000. Cotulla State Bank with capital of \$25000.00 opened for business.

Grass steers shipped from Cotulla brings highest price of the month on Ft. Worth market.

Operator at depot robs safe of \$635 and skips out to Mex co. No trace of him was ever found.

Passenger train rocked at Encinal by Mexicans and passengers narrowly escape injury.

New record established in the number of cars of lumber shipped in for one month.

Japanese laborers imported to grub land and work on onion farms.

**FEBRUARY.**  
W. O. W. Camp gives big oyster supper to members and their families.

Large crowd of homesekers came in from the North and East.

Buckley ranch eight miles South of Cotulla sold.

Arthur Hamilton, a young man of Georgetown, dies at Gilmer Hotel.

Weather unusually mild and trees begin budding out. Many prospectors invest in lands.

Commissioners order road opened up to Irvin and O'Connor ranches in the Eastern part of county.

**MARCH.**  
Stockmens National Bank selected by Commissioners Court as County Depository.

Large barn on Geo Copp's place burned and contents destroyed.

Lane Ranch near Millett sold to Frio County parties.

District court convened. But little business to transact. Only one felony indictment returned.

Wm. Held ships first car of onions out of Millett.

Georgetown parties buy Hill ranch South of Cotulla.

LaSalle county grass steer sells on St Louis market for \$91.30.

Half block of business property in Cotulla sells for \$12000.

John Seed, a prominent citizen of Millett, dies, age 60 years. Buena Vista Hotel opened under management of Mrs. F. W. Yeager.

**APRIL.**  
School and church house erected at Woodward.

Warren & Son sell two sections of river land at \$19 per acre.

Stockmen incur heavy losses because they can't get cars to

ship cattle to market.  
Onion crop movement in full swing.

Lonnie Vincent, a stranger, aged 19 years died. Remains buried in Cotulla cemetery.

A pretty church wedding celebrated at Presbyterian church 17th Miss Emma Copp and Mr. Henry Otto Fischer contracting parties.

Northbound night passenger train the "Boll-weevil" wrecked near Millett. No one injured.

Commencement exercises of Cotulla High School held at Court House. Graduating class composed of Misses Lela Beezley Florence Poole, Carrie Knaggs and Mae Sullivan.

**MAY**  
Cattle shipment to market very heavy. Prices good.

W. L. Pease and Les Petty capture monster gar-fish in Butler lake.

Winter blast sweeps Southwest Texas. Thermometer down to 45. Skies overcast with dreary clouds that last a week.

Business Men organize for further development of Cotulla.

K. Shroeter shipped first carload of potatoes to Denver on 10th.

Business Men sign agreement to close store at 6 p. m. during summer months.

I. & G. N. makes Cotulla freight division point.

W. C. Irvin, well known ranchman dies after several weeks illness.

W. E. Campbell brought in Artesian well on Burns ranch flowing over 300 gallons per minute.

Simpson McCoy, and old Indian fighter and pioneer of Southwest Texas died near Artesia.

Last car of onions shipped on 23rd, by L. N. Wonder and brought highest price of the season.

**JUNE.**  
Cotton Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Motheral celebrated 12th.

Commissioners sitting as Board of Equalization notify many taxpayers of raise in their assessments.

School census of county shows 919 children within the scholastic age. Number of children in Cotulla precinct 465.

Contract let to L. F. Seed for building Methodist parsonage.

Many deals in town property and much improvement going on.

First car of watermelons of the season were shipped from Millett and Cotulla 5th.

R. A. Gouger opens up new Lumber Yard.

Miss Winnie Burwell and Mr. Jonathan C. Poole were married at Presbyterian church 5th.

**"Bug Tracks"**

"We went down last week to see how little 'Johnnie' was getting on in the Byrne Business College. We found the school in full swing, with the superintendent in charge, ready to show us over the school and explain how the work is done. They do things at our State University up in fine shape, but these professors at the business college 'have got that things.' According to the estimation of our recent selves, if we had attended such a school as this, Mr. Roosevelt would be quite a lad compared to us. The little 'Johnnie' came out home last Sunday, and as soon as he landed he began spouting shorthand in every direction. Thinks we to ourselves: 'We'll fix you, my boy,' so we had him to write a business letter as we dictated it, knowing he couldn't remember its contents, and to our delight and astonishment, that booger read those bug tracks better than we can read these letters after they got cold. Now, boys, you who are not in attendance, get the old man to let you go as soon as you

ge. the cotton out. We know several boys who will enter on January 1st, 1908. This is the best opportunity for a business training ever offered the young people of this section, and every boy and girl who can do so should attend. It takes four or five years to go through our 'dudo' colleges and become proficient in baseball, football, and totting a war gun, but you can, in three or four months, learn at this school something that will fit you for a business career that you will be proud of some day."—A pleased patron of one of the Byrne Business Colleges which are located as follows: Tyler Commercial College, Tyler, Texas, Fredonia Business College, Fredonia, Kans., Columbus Business College, Columbus, Miss., Capital City Business College, Guthrie, Okla., Athens Business College, Athens, Ga. These schools have the exclusive right to teach the famous Byrne Simplified Shorthand, Practical Bookkeeping and Business Training in this section. Young friend, write the one of these schools nearest you for catalog and prepare to earn three dollars where you are now earning one.

**JULY.**  
Saloons close until new license is secured in compliance with Baskin McGregor law.

W. E. Campbell secures contract for sinking deep well at Gardendale.

Commissioners go to Midland to view La Salle county's school land.

Shillings new modern gin put in operation.

An unusual movement in town property during July.

**AUGUST**

Compiled report of onion crop adjacent to Cotulla showed 75 carloads shipped off of 300 acres that sold for \$160,000.00.

County and city purchase fence for Court House and Public square from Texas Anchor Fence Co.

Mrs. Dunham happens to serious accident while out with picnic party by falling from buggy.

Commissioners Court authorizes County Physician to take necessary steps to put Cotulla and other towns in the county in thorough sanitary condition.

Commissioners Court refuses an offer of \$4.50 per acre for La Salle county's school land.

Mixed daily trains put on between Cotulla and Laredo, giving Cotulla three daily trains South.

**SEPTEMBER.**

Labor Day observed by grand barbecue.

Severe dust storm sweeps town blowing down signs etc.

Cotulla public schools opened with good attendance.

Dams along Nueces withstood rise in river.

Jury Fund of county flush for first time in many years.

Fence around Plaza and Court House completed and W. H. Wentworth, landscape gardener, employed to take charge.

Mexican Independence Day passed quietly.

Millett votes bonds to build new school house.

Onion growers began planting seed.

**OCTOBER**

Commissioners Court sells school land for \$5 per acre, 5 per cent interest.

County Assessor's rolls show valuations to be nearly four million dollars.

Nueces river overflows banks and is highest in two years.

Dr. Speer, an old timer in Cotulla fell and broke his thigh.

Cotton Wedding of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Earnest celebrated 24.

Chas. Sullivan, a pioneer of LaSalle and one of the county's most honored citizens died.

Alfredo Guerrero, a Mexican boy was accidentally killed at Millett.

Money panic wave hits Cotulla full in the face.

L. G. Pohl, a traveling man of Kansas City dies at Gilmer Hotel.

**NOVEMBER**

Rev. T. G. Woolls, Methodist Pastor is returned to Cotulla by Conference.

A postoffice is established at Woodward with daily mail from Cotulla.

Early cold wave swoops down from the North and sends the mercury to the freezing point.

M. T. Dunham, a resident of Cotulla since 1880, dies.

Survey of Gardendale completed by H. B. Strickler, civil engineer.

Work of setting out trees and shrubbery in Park commences.

**DECEMBER.**

Report of local banks show institutions to be in good condition.

Oil found in well eight miles down the Nueces.

Onion transplanting going on on nearly all farms in Nueces Valley.

**The Pearsall Amusement Company**

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**WITH A GRAND OPENING**

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Sambo, the chore boy, was accustomed to doing the milking in the oldfashioned way but one evening his employer presented him with a milking stool, bidding him use it, saying it would make the milking less tiresome.

Sambo accordingly took up his pails and the stool and went about his duties.

A half hour later he came limping toward the house, his clothing covered with mud, and a look of perplexity and indignation on his face. The milk pail was empty.

"What now, Sambo," exclaimed the master.

Sambo scratched his head and looked seriously at the stool, replied:

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**General News**

**STATE.**  
 Ad Toepferwein completed the longest target shooting on record, missing only 9 out of 72,000. He also beat the world's record, with 14-510 without missing.

Austin—The Attorney General's department has rendered a decision against one person "hedging" for another in the cotton market.

Cleburne—William F. Ramsey is to be appointed successor to the late Judge Henderson, of the Criminal Court of Appeals.

Austin—Figures show that 314 miles of new railroad track were laid this year, most of which was put down before the financial stringency.

Austin—The Supreme Court has refused to appoint a custodian for the Waters-Pierce Company, as sought by the State.

Austin—The Railroad Commission has signed an order calling for a hearing on the two and a half cent fare rate.

Dallas—Judge John N. Henderson, of the Court of Criminal Appeals, died at his home Sunday night.

San Angelo—A family came near being burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home and barn.

Austin—80,000 acres of lands have been awarded to the successful bidders on state lands.

Houston—James B. Hill of the Pennsylvania lines suffered a stroke of paralysis at his ranch home near Houston, and is in a very critical condition.

Johnson City—The Johnson City State Bank will reopen for business this week.

Fort Worth—Ticket scalping met a severe rebuff at the hands of Judge Dunakin, who issued a permanent injunction against future dealing in reduced rate tickets.

Austin—A Mexican who while serving as deputy constable killed a man last summer, was given 99 years in the penitentiary.

Austin—Figures compiled by Commissioner Love gives a splendid showing of state banks compared with national, both in this state and in the United States. There being nearly twice as many State as National banks.

Austin—Articles of incorporation are filed for the Ballinger and Ablene road, with a capital stock of \$200,000.

Sanderson—The explosion of an engine while taking oil, caused the serious burning of one man, and the loss of the storage tank and much wreckage timber.

Houston—Veterans of Hood's Brigade have selected L. Amentis to design a monument for the brigade, to be erected in the Capitol grounds at Austin.

Eagle Lake—The First National Bank has been reopened, and ten thousand dollars were deposited with it in little more than two hours after opening, while less than a hundred were withdrawn.

Stephenville—The new line of railway between Stephenville and Hamilton has been opened for business.

Dallas—A London loan agency says that out of two thousand loans on farm property only twenty defaulted.

Austin—Rolling stock of the Union Tank Line is forbidden to leave the state.

Victoria—Frank Jirou has been given forty years in the penitentiary for killing Dan McRea in 1903.

San Antonio—A representative of numerous business organizations in Maine is in this state for the purpose of securing car lots of buzzards, to be shipped to supply the depleted scavenger ranks of Maine.

San Diego—John D. Cleary, assessor of Duval County was killed by an unknown assassin in a restaurant at San Diego.

Bracken—W. Safer, a stockman, who had sold a lot of steers in San Antonio was held up by four masked men and relieved of \$100.

El Paso—The dispute over the

the penitentiary, and to pay fine of \$575,749, the amount they swindled the government of.

Kestler, Ga.—Negro secret society halls have been dynamited in several places.

Chicago—The Honeymoon Special, as an unique advertisement of the road, did not materialize, as the brides did not agree to have so much advertisement, and refused to go.

Seattle, Wash.—A number of lives were lost in a wreck of two freight trains caused by the failure of the operator to deliver orders.

Kershaw, S. C.—Three men were killed in a pistol fight, arising out of a trivial matter.

Pensacola, Fla.—Senator Mallory, of Florida, died at his home, and was buried without ostentation, as he had requested.

Jacobs Creek, Pa.—Only 46 bodies have been recovered of the 228 persons killed in the Darr mine explosion. Accumulations of gas make it impossible for rescuers to work.

Guthrie, Ok.—Charges of evasion of the law requiring a deposit of \$50,000 are being filed against several insurance companies.

**FOREIGN.**  
 Teheran, Persia—The Shah has given up the fight against the Constitutionalists, and yielded to a constitutional government.

Rio Janeiro—When the fleet reaches port it will be accorded a royal welcome. Ten days will be spent in the harbor.

Washington—Reports received from several of the Central American governments say they accept the terms of peace recently drawn up by the Peace Conference in Washington.

City of Mexico—Appropriation has been made for the establishment of a naval school at Vera Cruz.

Mexico City—The presence of Japanese laborers in numbers is causing ill feeling among the Mexican laborers, and many Japanese are turning home.

City of Mexico—In a survey much of the hitherto unknown part of Mexico, several large villages have been discovered that were never before seen by alien eyes.

Berlin, Germany—Governor Ho was sentenced for ill treatment of natives of Togoland.

Peking, China—Chinese soldiers and Manchuria have mutined and killed their officers.

Iquique, Chile—Two hundred strikers were killed in a riot. The and employes in the asphalt mine are on a strike.

Teheran, Persia—Intriguing priests are to be banished from the city.

London—Lord Kelvin, English great scientist has been laid to rest in Westminster Abbey.

San Antonio, Tex.—An automobile line has been established to run from Brady, up in the great cattle country of Texas, to Menardville and the railroad, a distance of fifty-seven miles. The run is made despite rough roads in foot and a half hours. The festive cowboy in his chapeiros, instead of being resentful of the innovation is said to be pleased, though his eye-neeked "enuse" does not take kindly to the bad smelling gas-line wagon. An automobile line was run for a time from Carriz Springs to Cotulla in South Texas, a distance of sixty miles, but was not successful on account of the sand. Autos are also run between Ozona in the cattle country to San Angelo. The electric light and the telephone have already penetrated the wilderness of Texas, and now the motor car is coming to work a still greater transformation, and accelerate the breaking up of the big cattle ranches into small farms. The man with the hoe is already wedging his way in, and the railroad will soon follow.

Chattanooga, Tenn.—A summary of charters granted to concerns in the South for the past week would indicate that the business prospects have not met with any permanent check. Over five millions is the aggregate capital in the various companies.

Washington—Statistics gathered by Secretary Garfield reveal the fact that 22,000 lives have been lost in the coal mines in the last seventeen years. A great increase is shown in the past five years.

New Orleans—The work of constructing the \$6,000,000 jetties has been completed, and already swift current of Southwest Pass is deep enough for the largest ocean going vessels.

Washington—Secretary Taft expresses himself well pleased with conditions as he found them in the Philippines.

Denver, Col.—Colorado Democrats are arranging that the daughter of Mr. Bryan shall place her father in nomination before the convention. As Colorado is a woman suffrage state, this can be done by sending her as a delegate.

Temple—The Santa Fe has secured a number of new high-speed locomotives for use between Bellville and Cleburne. Others will be added for the Houston division. The Katy also has ten new Baldwin engines.

Muskegon, Okla.—Three men were wounded in a shooting affair at Muskegon.

Durango, Colo.—The president of the Smelter City bank was arrested on the charge of false entries.

North Dover, Ohio—Two persons were burned to death, and a third seriously, in a fire which destroyed an apartment house.

Helena, Mont.—The National convention of wool growers will meet in Helena January 17.

Boston—The National Guard Association is to meet at Boston the middle of January for the purpose of considering some very important legislation.

Port of Spain—A regatta was the main feature of the Christmas holiday of the fleet. The soldiers went ashore.

Washington—Rear Admiral Bronson has resigned as chief of the Bureau of Navigation, and is succeeded by Capt. Winslow.

Savannah, Ga.—Greene and Gaynor, who defrauded the government in harbor construction two years ago, have been sentenced to four years in

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**TEXAS FRUITS.**

The Christmas issue of *Texas Fruits*, the horticultural journal of Texas and the South, published at San Antonio is a most attractive number. It is considerably larger than preceding numbers, and is well filled with most valuable articles by leading fruit men of the State. This journal is making a phenomenal growth, showing that the fruit growers of the State are a wide awake and progressive lot of people. They realize the value of a publication in the South that deals with questions and subjects concerning them and peculiar to their own conditions. This number is well worth having by every man interested in fruit growing.

**THE INTERNATIONAL POULTRY JOURNAL.**

The first issue of the *International Poultry Journal*, is a most creditable number. This journal has a distinct field in Southern Texas and Mexico. Mexico especially lays many fine birds from breeders in the States, and a journal that reaches a large number of Mexico breeders is most welcome to all Texas breeders who wish to reach the Mexican field. San Antonio, Houston and Beaumont all have live associations, and a journal that will reflect their doings is wanted. The growth of this new journal for Southern Texas is assured.

Aspirations to records recently discovered, women in ancient Egypt were truly the lords and masters of the household, and poor slaveholders had to possess a comfortable dowry before he could hope to attain the joys of married life. In those days, too, as doubt when poor man had to secure a divorce he had the compensation of a good alimony to be paid him by his former wife. The law of compensation doubtless operated there to make life endurable for man.

Senator Bailey denies absolutely that he had any thought of resigning and submitting himself to the Democracy of Texas in the fight he now has. The Senator knows a good thing when he has it cornered, and so he has no idea of taking chances on the strength of 90 per cent or more of Texans who are conscientious believers, are his cordial supporters. It does not occur to him that he might be mistaken.

Oelburne will have the mid-winter meeting of the Swine Breeders Association of Texas on Jan. 26th. Few people realize what an important place the hog holds in the economy of Texas industrial life. These fine cold mornings have seen enacted the closing chapters of the life of many a fine porker in the State. The ranger hog of the pine woods, likewise the sleek Berkshire of the black lands and the alfalfa grown porker of North Texas have all gone to swell the larder of the prosperous farmer.

San Antonio, Tex.—Talk of a war with Japan has moved certain doughty Texans to organize a peace society. The movement started at Waco lately and has spread to San Antonio, where the army officers the soldiers in garrison here in first-class war footing, and suggests that the Peace Society might devote its surplus energy to the Bailey War which still goes merrily on, or the prohibition fight, which isn't quite so amiable as a congress of doves. The peace society, however, seems disinclined to interfere with the Texans' inalienable right to a political stinky every two years.

San Antonio, Tex.—Mrs. E. A. Singleton, a pretty little widow, today applied to Judge Camp of the forty-fifth district court to secure custody of her baby from a Mrs. Appleby of 210 South Alamo street, who has been holding the infant for an unpaid board bill, alleged to amount to \$20. Judge Camp sawed the necessary order and laid down the principle that babies cannot be held for board bills.

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**The Use of Commercial Fertilizers on Cotton.**

The following will be of much interest to serious thinking planters, and if carefully studied will certainly result in much benefit.

It is quite curious to compare the production and yield of cotton in the past several years as shown by the results obtained in the older states like Carolina, Georgia and Alabama, where enormous quantities of commercial fertilizer are used, with the production and yield of the same years in Texas, where comparatively little commercial fertilizer is used.

The planters of Texas are so accustomed to believe their lands are richer than any other section of the country that they are of the opinion that no help is necessary to assist such land. In other words, they depend entirely upon the land and season. What is the result? No matter how rich the soil is unless the season is absolutely propitious, a large crop is not realized, indeed land that is very much poorer with a bad season and the use of commercial fertilizer, produces a great deal more cotton than the rich land and a poor season and no fertilizer under the cotton. We see the cotton crop of Texas falling off or increasing forty or fifty per cent. We never see such a condition of affairs in the older states.

There is an increase or decrease in production, of some five to ten per cent, and we attribute this difference in favor of the older states entirely to the use of commercial fertilizer, intelligently applied. While we have not figures in hand just at the moment, we are arranging to secure them, in order that we can intelligently present the statement. There is but little doubt but that Georgia and South Carolina raise more cotton to the acre on their so-called poor, worn-out lands, than this great State of ours, with its vast acreage of rich soils. Lands, like everything else in this life, become worn-out and something must be done to rehabilitate it.

If the season is especially dry, the crop can be helped by the use of certain kinds of commercial fertilizer. If the season is wet, cultivation, together with the use of certain commercial fertilizers, is of great benefit to both the soil and the cotton crop. An acre of land that raises a bale of cotton or more to the acre, costs no more in labor than an acre that raises very much less. We predict that in a few years the State of Texas will use more commercial fertilizer on its various crops than any other State in the cotton-growing belt. The first year we tried to introduce this business in Texas, we sold less than 200 tons the second year we sold about 2500 tons; the third year, which is the season just passed, we sold, in round numbers, 5000 tons. It is a recorded fact that where a man once uses these fertilizers, he buys again the next season.

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The following is an interesting statement: In Texas, Indian Territory and Oklahoma, since 1879 the cotton area has increased 5,966,888 acres, or 269.6 per cent, while the production has increased 75 per cent. The production of these states has increased but 15.4 per cent more than the acreage in North Carolina, South Carolina

Georgia and Alabama, in the same period, the acreage has increased 45.6 per cent, while the production has increased 96.8 per cent. The production in these States has increased 51.2 per cent more than acreage. Note the comparison.

The rich lands of Texas, Indian Territory and Oklahoma, have increased their production, as compared with the acreage, a little over 15 per cent, while the production, as compared with the acreage in the states where enormous quantities of commercial fertilizer is used, has been increased over 75 per cent.

These figures are obtained from a publication of the Department of Commerce and Labor at Washington, showing the cotton production and statistics through the crop of 1905.

Why is this great difference? Why people in this section of the country claim to have the richest lands? If this is the case, why have we not increased our yields per acre in the same proportion as the older states? We sincerely believe it is because the latter states use commercial fertilizer on every acre of cotton they plant, and we do not. Don't let us be backward. We must, in this glorious State of ours, lead in everything.

San Antonio, Tex.—How the Texas farmer can hold his cotton, despite all financial panics, as he is doing to the tune of nearly 50 per cent of this year's crop, is a mystery explained by the hog. In the last few years the Texas farmer especially the Southwest Texas farmer, has gone in largely for the raising of hogs, and by cultivating sweet potatoes and peanuts as a side line to the hog industry has found the gentle porker a wall of financial strength that has furnished food for his family and made him independent of cotton.

If the present rate of growth is maintained the financial basis of the farmer of this section will soon be shifted from cotton to hogs. The country for two hundred miles each way out of San Antonio is filled with oaks of every description, especially with varieties called black jack and Spanish oak that produce acorns in great abundance and make unequalled ranges for hogs. Just before shipping his hogs to market the farmer turns them into his sweet potato and peanut patches alternately. The acorns and other mast give the hog's flesh a gamey flavor, and the sweet potatoes and peanuts furnish the necessary fat. By this system the farmer can produce hog meat at from one and a half to two cents a pound, which he can sell at from four to seven cents a pound and the net result is both easy and pleasant to figure. Hogs so fattened have flesh as firm as corned hogs and at less cost. In consequence the Southwest Texas farmer is holding his cotton for 15 cents, with the confidence furnished by the fact that he has a tening hog on which the cotton speculator failed to count. As a result a wave of hog enthusiasm is sweeping over this part of Texas, and the culture of sweet potatoes and peanuts has received an impetus that may cut down the cotton acreage in another season.

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It is a source of menace that the supply of timber, not only in the United States, but in the world, is yearly growing scarce.

An interesting little bulletin, "Forest Service Circular No. 82," tells the advantage of the hardy catalpa (catalpa speciosa) for forest growing artificially. The tree is thus described: "The hardy catalpa is a tree of medium size, with slender branches forming a spreading round-topped head. Under average conditions it grows to be from fifty to seventy feet high. In the forest it is straight and tall, and occasionally attains a height of more than one hundred feet and a diameter of two to four feet."

In the South the catalpa can be planted in the fall. Fence posts made of these trees remain sound from thirty to forty years. When cut from the living tree the wood is practically immune from fungus disease, and is one of the most durable timbers known. The rich coloring of the wood makes it fine for cabinet work. This hardy catalpa is planted mostly for fence posts and small telegraph poles, and a few plantations have been made for the production of railroad ties. The plantations are managed on a short rotation of from fifteen to twenty years, and may be started from seedlings.

**Who Leads?**  
Patience—Have they an age limit in the Women's Club?  
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**Local Items of Interest.**

Twenty-nine new American homes were built in Cotulla during 1907, and yet there is not a house in town to rent. They are all occupied and every day we have people inquiring for dwellings.

Farmers are all busy breaking their land at present and very few of them find time to visit town. In fact the successful farmer never finds much time to put in on dry goods boxes.

The balls at the Skating Rink Building during the holidays were thoroughly enjoyed by the young people and the Masquerade on Dec. 27th, was especially largely attended.

The Alamo Concert Company at the Court House December 26th drew a good crowd. Half of the net proceeds went to the Cemetery Fund as the Company was under the auspices of the Optimistic Club.

Some of the onion growers have already received shipments of onion crates. Not that they expect to use them any time soon but last year those that waited late to order experienced trouble, and they are profiting by that this season.

Andy Guinn, with a force of men have been working for two weeks putting in a new floor and new stringers where needed in the wagon bridge across the Nueces. The bridge had gotten in very bad condition and it was necessary for it to be repaired at once. At the present high prices of lumber the job will cost the county considerable money.

The ladies of the Optimistic Club deserve much credit for the good work they did in the way of civic improvement during the year just closed. Their corner of beauty is looking lovely. It couldn't look any other way with the ladies behind the work. It has been suggested that the Woodmen take hold of the South-east corner and we see no reason why the suggestion is not a good one. Besides rendering a public work it would be a lasting and not expensive advertisement for that great and noble order.

The only disturbance that occurred during the holidays was a cutting scrape between two Mexicans Christmas eve night. Constable Petty stumbled over a man lying on the ground in the neighborhood of the Catholic church and on investigation found that he had been seriously slashed across the face with a knife. He was so bloody that he was almost unrecognizable. The county physician was called and the wounds dressed, which were many but not dangerous. The victim divulged the name of his assailant and Constable Petty started in search for him, and when he found him he was on the river road headed toward the Rio Grande. He is now behind the bars. This is the first affair of this kind to occur among the Mexicans for several months.

Had you ever thought about what a great change was made in Cotulla during 1907? Don't you remember that a year ago that the South front business block was lined with dilapidated and many empty shacks, and you could not see two blocks down any street in town for the dense mesquite brush. The Public square was gully-washed and pear-covered. The Court House, that is now enclosed by a good iron fence and surrounded with grass and young cedar trees that will make a beauty spot by springtime, looked quite different on a barren rock-covered hill a year ago. Then too, there has been such a great improvement in the homes and many more built.

**Claims Against Mexico.**

Old Texans who filed their claims against Mexico before the Robb Commission in 1872 and 1873, or their widows and children, will hear something of interest to them on writing to the undersigned.

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How many shade trees have you put out on your place this winter? If you are not guilty, there is plenty of time yet.

**Wiedemann's Big Show, "Kit Carson."**

Tom Wiedemann's \$30,000 production of the Historical Wild West Melo Drama "Kit Carson" will exhibit at Cotulla, January 8th, with all their Cowboys, Rough Riders, Bronco Busters, Lasso Throwers, etc. They offer \$25.00 reward to any one bringing a wild horse or mule to the tent at 6 p. m. that they cannot ride.

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**Deaths.**

Little Lizzie seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Robuck of Artesia died December 22nd. after a short illness of typhoid pneumonia. The remains were brought to Cotulla and interred.

Kate, the six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Jordan died at Encinal Dec. 27th. The funeral was held Sunday 29th. and the remains laid to rest in the Encinal cemetery.

The young people enjoyed a masquerade party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Evetts Wednesday night. All present had a most enjoyable time.

**Purely Personal.**

Whit Neal of San Antonio spent the holidays at home.

H. B. Miller returned Monday from a brief stay in San Antonio.

Miss Mary Baylor spent the holidays in Cotulla with friends.

J. A. Conlan and wife spent the Holidays with relatives at San Patricio.

Frank Held of Millett spent several days of Christmas week at the Lake Grove Farm.

Miss Minnie Briscoe of Devine is in the city visiting Mrs. J. D. Motheral.

V. H. Harding went to San Antonio Tuesday night to spend New Year's with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Knotts of San Antonio spent the holidays here with relatives.

Misses Flora and Kate Chapman came up from Artesia Tuesday to attend the dance that night.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woods and children of Pearsall, spent Christmas here with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Fischer of Laredo spent the Holidays here with Mrs. Fischer's parents.

Miss Alice Schley of Devine spent a few days here this week visiting Mrs. Simon Cotulla.

Walter Daniel, a student of the



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**Card of Thanks.**

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J. G. Childers, owner of the Cochina Ranch, came in on the night of the 31st. from the ranch where he and a party of friends had been hunting. On the trip Mr. Childers succeeded in killing a deer that carried the champion head of horns of the season. They were a beautiful pair containing twenty seven points. Mr. Childers was very proud of his kill and will have the head mounted. Deer with horns like this one is seldom killed and are fast becoming a thing of the past.

The hunting season is now closed and the old bucks can come out of their hiding places.

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main here.  
Jos. Cotulla and daughter, Miss Louise, went to Austin Sunday to be present when an operation was performed on Joe Cotulla Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hill and children returned home Friday last from Ft. Worth where they spent Christmas with Mrs. Hill's parents.

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### LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

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Several days of cloudy misty weather this week.  
E. M. Irvin was among the arrivals on yesterday's train.  
BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Neal Dec 25th, a boy.  
T. J. Alderman of Artesia was in the city yesterday.  
Figure with JONES on painting your house.  
Mrs. T. J. Alderman of Artesia visited Cotulla Thursday.  
J. M. Ramsey was in the city from Artesia one day this week.  
Mrs. V. H. Harding and children spent Christmas in San Antonio.  
W. H. Wentworth went to Nursery to spend Christmas with his son and family.  
Start the New Year by sending your laundry to the White Star. Orville Carr, agent.  
Start 1908 with a new looking house. Figure with JONES on painting it.  
The Southbound passenger train has been late almost every day this week.  
Roe and Ed Oliver went up to Moore and spent Christmas with home folks.  
Clarence Jennings has returned to Zapata county after spending Christmas with homefolks.  
Jourd J. Irvin and family returned yesterday from San Antonio where they spent the holidays.  
Jeff Johns, who has been in New Mexico since last summer is back at home again.  
JONES will call on you with 1908 wall paper samples for selection if you will drop him a card.

Preaching tomorrow at the Presbyterian church.  
Read the RECORD and keep up with things.  
Dr. J. D. Motheral made a professional visit to Millett yesterday.  
Mr. G. F. Couch and wife of Colorado Springs, Colo., are here visiting Wm. Shaw and family.  
If you want your gun repaired or your old clock or watch needs cleaning up take them to Petty's Blacksmith Shop.  
Jno. R. Black, manager of the Iowa Colony Lands gave the RECORD a nice order for stationery this week.  
Attorney L. N. Hill and son Milton, of San Antonio were down the Nueces hunting Christmas week.  
Matt Russell has returned from a two weeks absence in North Texas. He says that part of the State is water-soaked.  
Tom Mac Wilkins returned to Waco yesterday where he is attending school after spending the holidays here with his parents.  
Rev. Doggett of Austin will preach at the Presbyterian church tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock and also at 8 p. m.  
The younger set enjoyed themselves greatly at a masquerade party at Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Mabry's New Year's eve.  
It's economy to have a man paint your house who understands his business. That's the reason you should figure with JONES.  
JONES work is first class in every respect. Figure with him for a new dress of paint for your house.  
H. B. Miller is now behind the teller's window at the State Bank, where he greets his friends with a merry smile.

Mrs. C. B. Jones is here a few days in Pearsall.  
W. G. Johnson was here from his Zavalla county ranch during the week.  
Miss Iva Chapman of Pleasanton was visiting Mrs. C. F. Binkley this week.  
Rueben Davis of Minera was here Christmas, the guest of his friend, W. A. Kerr.  
TO TRADE—I have a good 160 acre farm in Cedar county, Mo., to exchange for land or town property in Cotulla. C. C. AKIN, El Dorado Springs, Mo.  
H. W. Earnest, manager of the Millett Mercantile Company, was in the city Thursday. Mr. Earnest is just recovering from a three weeks sick spell.  
NOTICE—I will only remain here 15 or 20 days longer. Those wanting pictures please call this or next week. All work guaranteed. A. L. MARTIN, Photographer.  
Mr. and Mrs. Willis Johnson returned to their home in San Antonio this morning after spending the holidays in the city the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Binkley.  
A. C. Goeth of Austin, Max Goeth of Marble Falls, and Atty. C. A. Goeth of San Antonio spent a few days hunting on the LaMotta ranch during the holidays. They killed some fine bucks.  
Notwithstanding the money stringency the merchants report the Holiday trade as good as in previous years. At the toy and gift stores sales were greater than ever before.  
J. E. Mack and wife of Gardendale were in Cotulla one day last week. Mr. Mack says things were looming up around Gardendale and Mr. Campbell was still going down in the earth after an Artesian flow.

C. C. Aiken of El Dorado Springs, Mo., was here yesterday with the view of locating here. He was very much pleased with Cotulla and said he very likely would be a resident of LaSalle at no distant date.  
S. E. Newhouse of St. Louis was here a day or two this week looking at irrigated lands with the view of buying a farm. Mr. Newhouse has been all over Southwest Texas and says he likes the irrigation proposition better here than anywhere he has been.  
Mrs. Wm. McCarty won the \$5.00 in gold prize at Simon Cotulla's by guessing the nearest number of shot contained in a coco cola bottle. The correct number was 1715. The nearest number to that guessed was 1718.  
Mr. J. B. White and wife of Marshall, Mo., are here to spend a few weeks, and are the guests of Mr. Jack McClure at his ranch five miles West of town. Mr. White says health is the main thing he is looking for and if he improves will likely locate here. He likes the country splendidly.  
The contest for the Big Doll given away at Gaddis' Pharmacy Christmas by guessing the number of pins in a Teddy Bear, or "How many times Teddy shot the bear," was quite spirited. The correct number was 216, which was guessed by eight persons. Ed Oliver, D. L. Neeley, Turner Williams, Fannie G. Head, W. J. Warner, Mrs. D. D. Spruill, Mrs. W. L. Hargus and W. C. Held. To decide who was the winner of this number the judges took a candy bucket lid, marked it into eight divisions, and wrote the name of each winner in a division. It was then placed on a nail against the wall and whirled and while in motion was fired at with a target by a disinterested person. The bullet struck the division that held E. E. Oliver's name and he was awarded the prize.

Quite an addition was made to the display on the cacti grounds of the Optimistic Club this week through the kindness of Mr. Will Johns, two fine specimens of rock, one a large piece of petrified wood, the other a petrified turnip weighing 977 lbs. It is the supposition of Mr. Wentworth, the Aborigines of some 80,000 years ago overlooked this turnip in the gathering of their crop and the consequence was we have it as a relict of what La Salle county produced in the long ago.  
In conversation with a lady from Pearsall the other day she said Pearsall was ahead of Cotulla in the way of pretty homes. "There everybody takes an interest in their homes and put all the money they can get into beautifying the yards," she said, "but here it looks like the people put all their money on their backs and neglect their yards." Well, this looked reasonable and there was evidence to support it, so we hadn't anything to say. In the way of pretty homes and yards Pearsall is way ahead of Cotulla, and this certainly has an effect on homeseekers. Only yesterday a gentleman from St. Louis, who was looking for a home in Southwest Texas, remarked to us that the people didn't take much pride in the town. We explained to him that we were getting strung out along that line and showed him what had been done in the past year, and he replied that was encouraging and must be kept up and increased if we wanted to attract good people for citizens.

Mr. E. S. Potts of Camacho, Mexico, spent the holidays in the city, the guest of his old time friend, Judge F. B. Earnest. Mr. Potts is superintendent of the Merced-Alaska Mining Co., the stockholders of which are practically all Cotulla people. He returned to Camacho Monday.  
A hunting party composed of W. H. Johns, W. G. Johnson, T. R. Keek, G. W. Henrichson, L. A. Kerr, L. W. Gaddis, P. A. Kerr and W. H. Robbins returned from a trip to the Cameron the last day of the year. They all had good luck but Gaddis, so we were informed, and the only thing he killed was somebody's 3-legged hog that strayed up close to camp.  
The onion farmers along the Nueces south of town are anxious to know why the road that was recently ordered opened up down the west side of the river is not opened up. An order was passed over two months ago by the Commissioners Court ordering this road opened and yet absolutely no move has yet been made toward that end. One grower in particular that we were talking with, now has to travel at least five miles to get to town, while if the new road was opened he would not be more than 2 1/2 miles from town. This is only an illustration. It is the same with every grower down the river. Improvements on these farms are constantly going on, which requires hauling from town almost daily, and the round about way of getting to town besides the loss of time.

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