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Dan G. Kennedy Says:

Two things have caused us to have a fine business this spring. One is the scarcity of money—the other is the advance in the price of goods.

Any old thing can float down stream or sail in the direction the wind is blowing, but it takes tact, gumption, grit and git to move out against the wind or tide. So it is in business, and this year is the one that tells the kind of stuff we're made of. Realizing that money was scarce and that goods (especially cotton goods) were higher than usual and were rapidly advancing, and that to do business this year, something must be "did," we bought SAMPLES, LOOM ENDS, JOBS, and used hydraulic pressure on everything we bought in regular lines till we got the lowest POSSIBLE PRICE ON EVERYTHING purchased this spring, and then ripped the prices up the back on all goods in stock, and so instead of goods being higher they are much lower (with few exceptions) than ever before, and consequently the people having but little money, are more careful than ever before, and in searching for the best place—the place to get the most for the money—have drifted to us, and our books show a large increase of business over previous years. "We did it a purpose" and are determined to make this a banner business year. Respectfully,

YELLOW FRONT AND RACKET STORES,

DAN J. KENNEDY, Proprietor.

TALKS AS REPUBLICANS

**BRYAN'S CHICAGO SPEECH WAS
CONSTRUED THAT HE**

**Cared Not for a United Party—His
Democracy is Bryanistic—Influ-
ence Minimized.**

Washington, April 24.—The speeches of Cockran of New York and Bryan of Nebraska, on the same day, yesterday, have set this part of the country talking. Both claim to be Democrats and yet the tone of each being in antagonism of the other ought ordinarily to have a depressing effect on the party. But it does not seem to have it among the Democrats here.

In fact, in discussing the speeches, the Democrats universally do it in a most cheerful way. That cheerfulness indicates that the party feels that from the speeches made good will come. Cockran's speech expressed unity. It was a sort of plan of reunited party, and besides this had about it the sound of a change along the whole line. In it was a notification that party strife was to end in the campaign and all things should be and would be forgotten in the work of taking the control of the Government from Republican hands. The speech of Mr. Bryan was the speech of every Republican in Congress since the New York Democracy acted at Albany, that is, that the Democrats were vacillating, insincere, without fixed opinions, and worst of all, were dominated by David B. Hill, August Belmont, or some other ambitious individual. Indeed, on yesterday Mr. Hepburn, a leading Republican, attacked the Democratic party in its action in New York on nearly the identical lines that Mr. Bryan, leading Democrat, attacked it. Mr. Bryan's effort is read as meaning that he cares nothing for a united party and, indeed, that he does not desire a united party except that it shall subscribe to what he writes for its subscription. Politicians

at home, who do not hold offices, may talk about Congressional trusts or political combinations made by Congressmen with each other and may criticize, vilify and deplore such combinations. These home ambitions who are crowded away from the flesh pots may have good grounds for distemper and may be justified in their lamentations over the assumed leadership of those who sticketh like a brother to the pots aforesaid, yet they must admit one or two things. They must not permit their tears to back up and inundate their brain and thus drown reason. One of the things they must admit is that the Congressman who desires to hold his position is doing his best to hold it. In this line of labor he is trying to keep up with home thought. Ordinarily he will follow it or control as the exigency of the moment dictates. He has a correspondent in every neighborhood, he has a "worker" in every ten of the population. He is advised. So the pinion of the "trust" is not to be looked on as unworthy of consideration. It is at present decidedly fixed in the idea that Mr. Bryan means to continue in his fixed policy of dissatisfaction, and further that the Democratic party of the country is not going to put up with it. They think it will result in his either joining or organizing a movement antagonistic to the platform and the man made and selected at St. Louis. The Cockran speech indicates to them that all is well with the party in New York. They will not openly announce it, but they privately say that the recession of Bryan would give the Democrats of New York and other Northern States the opportunity to declare that the Nebraskan had carried with him and out of the party all objectionable isms, and they would draw to that party enough voters to make the success of the party assured. In the South the withdrawal of Bryan would lose a Democratic Congressman here and there, but it would not lose the electoral vote of a single Southern State. It is Sunday, and the Congressmen have time to discuss the situation as it now presents itself after the Cockran and Bryan speeches and the discussion is intense and interesting.

JUDGE GARDNER ADDRESSES

**Voters of This Judicial District.
Tells of a Proposition to
Judge Gooch.**

PALESTINE, TEX., May 2, 1904. To the Democracy of the Third Judicial District:

Four years ago I ran for District Judge and was defeated by Judge Gooch, the present incumbent. I feel very grateful to those who supported me in that race, and have no unkind feeling for those who voted against me; in fact, the pleasant memories of that campaign are stronger with me than the disappointment of defeat.

MOTION FOR A NEW TRIAL.

I am now making, so to speak, a motion for a new trial, and with the many assurances of support from my old friends, and from those who opposed me in 1900, coming from all the counties of the district, I feel quite confident that my motion will not be overruled.

AS TO A SPECIAL PRIMARY FOR ANDERSON COUNTY.

I had hoped that there would be no one in the race this time but Judge Gooch and myself, and when Mr. Crook of Houston county announced that he also would be a candidate, I proposed to Judge Gooch, as he and I were both from Anderson county, that we get up a special primary for our county to decide which one of us should make the race in the regular primary. As I explained to Judge Gooch, I made the proposition in deference to expressions that had come to me from all the counties, and to avoid the expense of a three-cornered fight in the district, and the possibility of the third man winning, under the plurality rule, by reason of a divided vote between the two candidates from Anderson county. Much to my regret Judge Gooch has declined to accept my proposition.

WHAT MR. CROOK THINKS OF IT.

When I told Mr. Crook I was going to make this proposition to Judge Gooch he objected, and said such a primary would be unfair to him. I cannot see where the unfairness comes in. It was not considered unfair when Gregg and Lacy in Anderson, and Nunn and Aldrich in Houston, settled in that way their differences in the Congressional race. Since Mr. Crook wants Judge Gooch and myself to ignore county lines and carry our fight all over the district, he cannot complain if the

Democrats of Houston county are asked to ignore county lines, and to vote for Mr. Crook only in the event they think he is the best man for the place. Four years ago, with Judge Lipscomb as a candidate, I received in that county, in round figures, 600 votes to 400 for Judge Gooch, and I was not in the county after Judge Lipscomb made his announcement. My friends assure me of a very much larger vote this time in Houston, and it is my purpose to make an active canvass of that county.

AS TO SECOND TERM.

But, going back to the issues between Judge Gooch and myself, I notice that in his announcement he relies upon the second term idea. In other words, as he has had the office four years he thinks he should have it four years more. Why? Because it is Democratic usage? I know of no such custom in this district. Since the formation of this district Judge Williams is the only man who ever held the office of judge more than four years, and in the last twelve years Judge Gooch is the only man who has held the office as long as four years. In the matter of district attorney, which is an office with a term of only two years, the most that has been given to any one man is two terms of two years each, in all four years. But this has not been an invariable rule, and the facts show that at least one district attorney was defeated in his race for the second term. I am not contending that a man should be given only four years as district judge, but I wish to make plain that there is no second term custom in this district, at least as judge.

The real question is this: Is the official, political and personal record of the man in office satisfactory, and is that record such that you wish to place upon it your seal of approval, and is that wish so strong that you are willing to turn your hand against his opponent? Supposing all other things are equal, it seems to me that the rule that "turn about is fair play" is equally as good as a rule that blindly gives two terms of four years each. After all, it is a question of preference or choice on the part of the voter as between the claims of the various aspirants; but, in forming this choice, the official, professional, political and personal record and ability of each candidate should have a controlling influence.

A BIT OF PLEASANTRY.

I don't wish to be understood as pleading for sympathy, but in view of the sympathy racket that was worked to a "Queen's taste" four years ago in behalf of Judge Gooch, I will say if you consider the candidates' feelings in the matter you should remember that while Judge Gooch is seeking a second term I am running the second term, and would feel the disappointment of another defeat more keenly than Judge Gooch would a defeat after having enjoyed the honor and emoluments of the office for four years. Besides if Judge Gooch beats me twice in succession I would be afraid to go home and meet my wife and seven children. They have their eyes on this race and I don't believe I could give a satisfactory explanation of another failure.

COMPARING RECORDS.

For the last six months there has appeared now and then, in the papers throughout the district, certain locals, very innocent looking articles, but evidently intended to aid Judge Gooch in his race. Nearly all have the same "ear marks" or style, which indicates that the same "fine Italian hand" was at work on all the papers. In other words, the items or articles have the appearance of having been "handed in" by an interest-

ed party. For the present I will leave the reader to guess his name. One of the most noted is known as the "Duck article," which was started at Crockett and went the rounds of the press of the district, and was evidently intended to forestall opposition to Judge Gooch. All the articles in question have more or less to say about Judge Gooch's record as a judge. I have made no investigation of Judge Gooch's record, as to the trial and disposal of cases by him, but the articles referred to and the following extract from Judge Gooch's announcement in the Athens Review makes it proper for me to make some reference to the judge's record in some of my cases. This is the extract:

"Why should we swap him off for another lawyer who is without experience as judge, and whose disposition and qualifications have not been tested on the bench?" We see here the same "fine Italian hand."

Now for the record in my cases. Quite recently I had four cases appealed by myself and associate counsel from Judge Gooch's rulings. Three of them have been reversed, and the other has been affirmed by the Galveston court, but will be taken by me to the supreme court. In one of the cases reversed, Judge Gooch had sustained five special exceptions to a petition drawn by me, and, in the opinion of the higher court, it is said the petition was good and none of the five exceptions should have been sustained. The other two cases reversed were appeals from a refusal of Judge Gooch to allow bail in the Peavy and Crenshaw murder cases, and about ten days thereafter they were reversed and bail granted by the court of criminal appeals. I mention this in no complaining spirit, but by way of comparison, and to get even with Judge Gooch for the sly boosting he has been giving himself through a good-natured press.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion will say I am nearly 50 years of age; was admitted to the bar in Troy, Ala., about 29 years ago; have been practicing my profession in Texas nearly 28 years; the last 12 years, and more, being at Palestine. I would like to be the judge of this district and feel that I can give entire satisfaction. If elected I shall run the office in a business way, but it shall be my aim to be as fair and impartial in my rulings, as I am earnest in the advancement of the interest of my clients. My record as a man and a lawyer is the pledge I offer for my conduct in case of my election; I invite investigation.

Respectfully submitted,
BENJAMIN HOWARD GARDNER.

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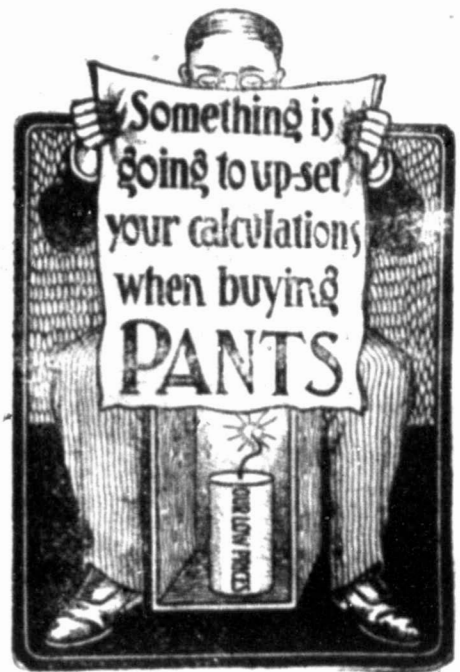
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Our Prices Will Appeal to All and What You Save Will Give You Pleasure.

Best Place



Of course you don't expect to go barefooted this summer, and therefore you are going to buy shoes. And the next thing to consider is the place where you can get the most for your money. Now, our shoes are made by the best shoemakers in this whole country, the styles are the newest, and the best, the quality is ahead of anything else, and the prices—that's where we shine—nothing to compare with them has ever been offered at such great reductions.

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The newest Oxfords, the 50c quality for 25c, 75c quality at 40c, 85c quality at... 50c

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We have just unpacked dozens and dozens of them, every style or quality you can possibly want, and they're all bargains at 25c to... \$5

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Made of silk, lace, embroidered linen, etc., in very attractive styles, from 25 to 50c

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and if we promise a cure, yet you are in doubt, all we ask of you is to place fee in bank or make note, and should we not cure you, you are then out not a dollar; so you see there is no risk to take when you place your case in our hands; and we also charge a more reasonable fee than you would get should you go away from home to be treated. On the other hand we save you railroad fare, board bills, and treat you at home. Many advantages at home probably you have not thought about. Those not able to pay cash will be given time. We positively cure any case of Granulated Lids, Ingrowing Lashes, Overflow of Tears, Restore Vision to 9 out of 10 Blind with Cataracts, Remove Pterygia, Correct Drooped and Deformed Lids, Fit Glasses to any Eye that needs them, Insert Artificial Eyes, only the Best Glasses—the Clearest and Best Lenses that can be made; Frames to please anyone. Cross Eyes Straightened in five minutes time without pain or chloroform. You return home same day. Over 900 straightened to date, 300 in Central Texas. Call for names and also references from hundreds who were led to the office but now see to read. Many were treated by from one to six oculists prior to taking the ADAMS TREATMENT, and were led to office, but now see to read. Investigate if you have eye troubles. We may cure you. References from a few difficult cases treated recently. Write or wire them. It's proof enough that we can cure you, if we can cure these cases pronounced hopeless by others.

Mr. Dave Brunson, a banker and cattle dealer of Midland, says: "I tried for 7 years to be cured of granulated lids, spent thousands of dollars on my eyes under treatment at Fort Worth, 5 months, Chicago, 3 months, Atlanta, Ga., 2 months, and many other places. I could not tell a cow from a horse 30 steps when Dr. Adams began on my eyes. I now see to read. I am well, and shall always refer the blind to him. He cured me in two months' time, after other eminent oculists failed. I know of many like myself he cured."
DAVE W. BRUNSON, Midland.
Mr. Geo. Moss of Ranger, Texas, was blind in his left eye 8 years. Dr. Adams restored his vision by an operation. He now goes to read. Mrs. Auntie Rhodes of same place was led to Dr. Adams, and she had been led for 20 years. She regained her vision under Dr. Adams' skillful surgery and now goes where she pleases without a guide. He cut her a new pupil. Those doubting this write to any business man of Ranger.—Stamford News.
Ulen Walker of Dublin was led every place he went, regained his vision by the Adams treatment in 60 days time.—Haskell News.
Mrs. McCann of Cisco was led every place she went, regained her vision to go alone in 3 weeks. Her case is a noted one, having been pronounced incurable by many oculists.
The above is the treatment you will receive at any of Dr. Adams' offices. Thousands of such references on file at office. The doctors who assist Dr. Adams over the state say he is not excelled in his profession. His 15 years' experience and early training under several of America's leading specialists has made him an expert.

J. L. G. ADAMS, M. D. EYE SPECIALIST.
OFFICE AT PICKWICK HOTEL
FROM MAY 6th TO 20th.
Cross Eyes Straightened FREE First 3 Days, May 7th, 8th and 9th.

Sheriff's Sale.

The State of Texas, County of Houston. By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Meigs County, on the 7th day of April, A. D. 1904, by the Sheriff thereof, in the case of A. Symes versus J. G. Williams et al., No. 3064, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I will proceed to sell, within the hours prescribed by law for Sheriff's Sales, on Tuesday, the 7th day of June, A. D. 1904, at the Court House door, in Houston County, State of Texas, the following described property, to-wit: Being lots 5 and 6 of the W. P. Davis League, and containing 894 1/2 acres. Beginning at S. E. corner of said Davis League, a post from which a pine 30 in brs N. 30 W. 16 vrs; thence W. with the S. E. of said league 3460 vrs to the S. W. corner of said league, post in a mound from which a pine 14 in brs N. E. 11 vrs; do 2 1/2 in brs N. W. 14 vrs; thence N. with the W. B. of said league 1963 vrs to the third set post from which a pine 14 in brs S. 24 E. 18 vrs; thence E. 3460 vrs to E. B. of said league; thence S. 1963 vrs to the place of beginning. Said land being more fully described as follows: Beginning at the S. W. corner of the W. P. Davis League from which a pine 18 in brs S. 28 1/2 E. 10 vrs; do 12 in brs S. 74 W. 11 vrs; thence E. with boundary line of same 1438 vrs, set stake from which a pine 14 in brs N. 80 W. 11 vrs; do 16 in brs E. 3 vrs; thence N. 1963 vrs to set stake on N. B. line of 894 1/2 acre tract, sold to J. G. Williams, from which a P. O. brs N. 4 1/2 vrs; do 14 in brs S. 37 1/2 E. 6 vrs; thence W. 1438 vrs to corner of W. B. line of said Davis League; thence S. 1963 vrs to the place of beginning. And, whereas, on said date the plaintiff recovered a judgment against the Louisiana & Texas Lumber Company for any balance remaining unpaid of the above judgment after the sale of first piece of land hereinafter described, and also a foreclosure on the following described land as against said Lumber Company to secure said balance unpaid after the sale of said first described land. Said land being described as follows to-wit: About 14 miles from Crockett, and containing 350 acres, more or less, out of the G. W. Grant 1524 1-2 acre survey on the W. P. Davis League. Beginning at the S. E. corner of the 350 acres in the N. E. corner of said 1524 1-2 acre survey, on the E. B. line of said league, stake from which hickory 8 in mld X brs N. 36 W. 11 1/2 vrs; thence W. at 1693 vrs, past James Brown's S. E. corner, at 2016 vrs, Jones' N. E. corner; thence S. with Jones' line 650 vrs corner, pine 12 in mld X brs N. 43 E. 6 vrs; do 24 in X brs S. 63 E. 2 1/2 vrs; thence E. at 1488 vrs, corner pine 10 in X brs S. 51 E. 4 vrs, P. O. 10 in brs S. 68 W. 7 1/2 vrs; thence S. at 1290 vrs, corner pine 8 in brs W. 46 E. 2 1/2 vrs hickory 3 in mld X brs N. 12 E. 4 1/2 vrs; thence E. at 583 vrs, corner on E. B. line of said league, B. J. mld X brs 31 E. 1 1/4 vrs pine 12 in X brs N. 45 W. 8 vrs; thence N. with said E. B. line 1900 vrs to the place of beginning, levied on as the property of J. G. Williams et al., to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$270.70 in favor of A. Symes and cost of suit. Given under my hand this 30th day of April, A. D. 1904. E. B. HALE, Sheriff. By S. H. PLATT, Deputy.

Bankrupt Sale.

I will at 11 o'clock on the 13th day of May, 1904, at Crockett, in Houston County, Texas, sell by sealed bids, subject to the approval of the court, to the highest bidder for cash the Jim Brown bankrupt stock of goods consisting of the usual line of general merchandise and fixtures, which according to the inventory is valued at \$3,494.61. I reserve the right to object to any and all bids if too low. Send your bids addressed to me at Crockett in care Jim Brown. Roy Butler, Trustee.

Foley's Honey and Tar for children, safe, sure. No opiates.

Like the sun, none the less beautiful on account of its age,

GEYER & GRISWOLD'S

Grand Scenic Production of

"Ten Nights in a Bar-Room"

Under a big tent, near depot, Crockett, Saturday, May 7. Band and orchestra.



The bright particular juvenile star of all America, **AGNES GEYER**, as Mary Morgan. Be sure and have the children hear her sing her sweet songs.

Don't fail to see the snakes, dragons, and other hideous monsters that hover over Joe Morgan, in his delirium tremens.

Band Concert at 2:30 and 7 p. m. Admission 15 and... **25 cts.**

FOUR DAYS' FIGHTING ON THE YALU.

Russian Losses Estimated at 800 Men, While the Japanese Casualties Number 700.

Tokio, May 2.—Advices from the front say that the Japanese forces began an attack on the Russians on the Yalu river last Tuesday. The battle was continued Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and theoretically Saturday. A decisive struggle was anticipated for Sunday.

On Thursday the Japanese effected a crossing of the Yalu and secured a lodgment on the right bank of the Yalu river. The fighting on Saturday was at long range, and there was a duel with a heavy guns across the river. Fighting at daylight was resumed Sunday morning.

The Russian force is estimated at 30,000 men.

The Japanese losses are reported to have been small thus far.

Losses on Sunday.

Tokio: The Japanese losses on the Yalu Sunday were about 700 killed and wounded. The Russians lost over 800 men. The Japanese captured 28 quick firing guns, twenty officers and many men. The Russians made two stands.

A General Attack.

Tokio: Advices received here state that the Twelfth division of the Japanese army forced a crossing of the Yalu river above Wiju just before dawn Saturday morning. The second pontoon bridge across the river near Wiju was completed at 7 o'clock Saturday night, and the Imperial Guards of the Second Division crossed during the night. The Russians' left flank has

been turned and a general attack began at dawn Sunday.

Nearly all the regular batteries on the south bank of the river and a flotilla of gunboats is co-operating with the army.

The Japanese have the advantage of position and numbers, and are confident of routing the enemy.

Japanese Capture Chiu Tien Cheng.

Tokio: The Japanese Sunday captured Chiu Tien Cheng, ten miles north of Antung, which is regarded as the key to the Russian position on the right bank of the Yalu. It is expected that the Russians will retreat to Feng Huan Chang, which is on the road to Liao Yang.

Supplemental Report.

Tokio: Supplemental reports from Gen. Kuroki covering Saturday's fighting says:

"The Russians made two stands. The enemy's strength included all of the Third Division, two regiments of the Sixth Division, one cavalry brigade, about forty quick firing guns and eight machine guns. We have taken twenty-eight quick firing guns, much ammunition, more than twenty officers and many non-commissioned officers and men as prisoners. I am informed that Major Kashtalinsky, commander of the Third East Siberian Brigade, and Lieut. Gen. Ziesalitch, commander of the Second Siberian Army Corps, were wounded. Our casualties number about 700 and the Russian loss of more than 800 men."

\$40,000 SAWMILL FIRE.

Which Was Owned by Olive, Sternberg & Co. at Olive, Texas.

Olive, Hardin Co., Texas.—The big sawmill of Olive, Sternberg & Co. burned this morning at 3 o'clock. The estimated loss is \$40,000, partially covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown. When first discovered the flames were all over the mill. The citizens don't understand how the fire could get such a headway before it was discovered. It was only by the hardest kind of work that the planing mill and lumber yard were saved. This mill was built in 1882, before the Sabine & East Texas Road was built, and was one of the oldest mills on that road. It was doing a fine business, and is a total loss. It was built by J. A. Sternberg and S. T. Oliver, and at the present time was being operated by B. A. Petti and T. A. Sternberg. The mill was up to date in every particular, and contained modern machinery. The capacity of the mill was 75,000 feet of lumber per day.

Too Much Rain.

Northrup, Texas: Saturday evening after 5 o'clock we had a heavy hail-storm. The stones were as large as small fowl eggs and some larger, and the ground was nearly covered. But it came down accompanied by but little rain and no wind. Some window ligats were broken here, but the hail fell so softly that but little damage resulted to crops of any kind. We are having too much rain now.

Yessen's Narrow Escape.

St. Petersburg.—Information received here shows that Rear Admiral Yessen, commanding the Vladivostok squadron, has had a narrow escape while on his raiding expedition. Through the wireless messages of the enemy, which he intercepted, the Admiral found that he was surrounded by Japanese warships, but owing to the dense fog was able to slip back into the harbor.

Queer Case of Injury by Fire.

Elkhart, Indiana.—The rays of the sun, focused through a goldfish jar, set fire to the clothing of Mrs. Julia Filbert, who was sleeping in a chair near an open window today, and the flames were extinguished only after she had been severely burned.

Found Guilty of Murder.

Guthrie, Ok.: Ed Lyle, a negro, was declared guilty Saturday by a jury in the Pawnee county federal court on the charge of murdering Deputy Marshal John B. Jones, in the Osage Indian county, last July. Lyle pleaded insanity. He was sentenced for life.

Embezzlement Charge.

Jhildadelphia, Pa.: John Sheey, said to have been manager of one of Sir Thomas Lipton's stores in Limerick, Ireland, was arrested Sunday evening as he stepped from the Belgian steamer Friestrand from Liverpool, charged with embezzling several hundred pounds sterling from the famous yachtman's establishment. The arrest was made at the instance of the British consul, Mr. Powell. The accused man declares his innocence, and said he was on his way to the St. Louis exposition. He will be given a hearing Monday.

Emigration of Irish.

London: A parliamentary return issued Saturday shows that since 1851 and up to 1903, nearly 4,000,000 of Irish have emigrated, the exact total being 3,961,011, equivalent to 74 per cent of the average population of Ireland. During the year 1903, 40,659 Irishmen emigrated, of which number the United States received 33,501.

Drouth Broken.

Gonzales, Texas: A magnificent rain fell here Saturday evening, the first real good rain that has fallen here for over six months, and there is great rejoicing that the long drouth is at last broken. Many cisterns and tanks were entirely dry, and grass, garden and crops suffering. Now everything is refreshed and crops are bright.

Scottish Rite Masons.

Dallas, Texas.—Many Masons from over the State are gathering here for the first semi-annual reunion of the Scottish Rite bodies, opening at 10 o'clock tomorrow at Turner Hall, and closing Thursday night. A class of about 100 will go from the fourth to the thirty-second degree. Degree teams from Galveston and Orange are to assist the local members in conferring the degrees.

Cattle Killed in Tennessee.

Knoxville, Tenn.: Snow to the depth of eighteen inches is reported from the mountain sections near this city. In the city three inches fell and the temperature is below freezing. Cattlemen who have already placed their cattle on the mountain ranges stand to lose heavily as a result of the cold weather, which is a novelty for this section at such a period of the year.

Peruvian Minister Ignored.

Panama: Costa Rica cables that Peruvian Minister Chocano arrived recently at San Jose, en route to Nicaragua, but his mission there was ignored. He appears satisfied with the Peruvian mission to Colombia.

OZMANLIS ORIENTAL SEXUAL PILLS

50 YEARS' EXPERIENCE PATENTS

SENTENCE SERMONS.

Mercy is never mushy. Regret cannot unproof wrong. Labor is the salt of our lives. Doubts make a poor refuge from duty. It takes more than a fence to make a garden. A shallow man usually has his soul in his skin. Man's noblest right is that of giving up his rights. Rest is religion's opportunity for reinvigoration. Present character is a prophecy of future condition. There is no clear thinking apart from clean living. Nothing binds the soul quicker than winking at sin. Respectability may be quite different from righteousness. The worst blasphemy is that of profession without practice. Platitudes against sin are as harmful as applause for sin. He who loses no love for others loses all life for himself. In the divine scales a dime often weighs more than a dollar. No man has any spiritual blessing that he can keep to himself. The friends we can never lose are the ones we say we have lost in death. A man is worth what he takes out of the world, not what he leaves in it. No condemnation of wrong is so effective as the commendation of right. God cannot blot out our past, but he can prevent its blight on the future.—Chicago Tribune.

STRAWS IN THE STREAM.

The trouble with woman's vanity as a result of her beauty is that it lasts longer than its cause. Tho' we may possess a fortune in charity, the chances are that we'll spend it all on ourselves. Do not wrong the mule by comparing it to the professional kicker. The mule kicks for some real, definite reason. I have known men who were so fond of hard luck that they never bought an apple without hoping to find a worm in it. Flattery acts like champagne in that it may produce a headache next day. But honest, moderate appreciation is as necessary and as healthy as clear water. Without being an autograph fiend, I don't think I'd refuse to accept a collection of the signatures of the world's greatest living financiers—at the right-end corner of checks.—Chicago American.

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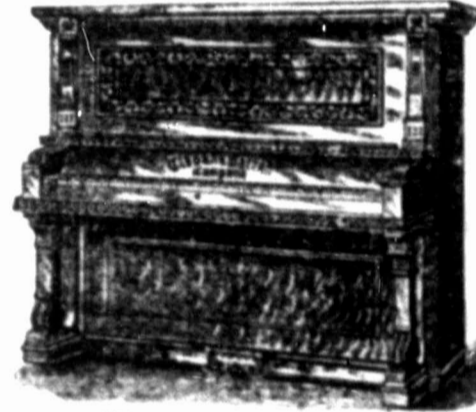
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THE LATEST SUMMARY

OF GENERAL TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF POTINSA, WHERE JAPANESE TROOPS MAY EFFECT A LANDING.



The map shows the location of Potinsa, near which place a number of Japanese transports have been seen, apparently with the purpose of effecting a landing. Potinsa is on the northern shore of Korea Bay and about twelve miles east of Takuchan. It is fifty miles west of Antung and the same distance south of Fengwangchen, both of which places are believed to be held by strong forces of Russians. Potinsa is connected

by a road with Dalny and Port Arthur, being distant from the latter town 150 miles. Should the landing be made in force military critics are agreed that it would mean a serious menace to Port Arthur as well as result in a flanking movement of the present Russian position. Dispatches indicate that it is at Fengwangchen that Kouropatkin's troops are prepared to make their first stubborn resistance.

War News from the Far East.

Ch'e Foo, April 30—Under the pressure of the Japanese advance, Russia has practically abandoned the north bank of the Yalu. Since the first landing of the Japanese on the Manchurian side of the river above Wiju, there has been a concentration of the Russians at Antung, and other crossings have been made until now it is said the Japanese have two full divisions in Manchuria.

According to reports, which seem authentic, which have been received here, the Japanese hold the north bank of the river from Chung Tsang, opposite Wiju, to the north, and have also landed a strong force below Antung, between that place and Ta Tung Kau. These moves have not been accomplished without some hard fighting, and the Japanese losses have been heavier than they admit. The first crossings were made under heavy artillery and small-arm fire, and several times the pontoon bridges of the advancing army were destroyed, but the Japanese soldiers have shown that they can stand fire, and despite their losses pushed ahead. When they had won the north bank the Russians retired with little further resistance.

Chinese Preparing to Take a Hand.
Peking, April 30—What may regard as the first definite move on the part of the Chinese government to prepare to take part in the war between Japan and Russia was taken yesterday, when an imperial order was issued to the Viceroy to equip and prepare for active service at once 72,000 troops. This is an addition to the men already in the field, which will give China an army of not far from 200,000 men, armed with modern rifles, equipped with modern munitions, and in the main drilled in accord with modern military methods, and officered by fairly competent men. Many of the wisest and most powerful statesmen in the country, not the least of whom was Yuan Shi Kai, after the Boxer troubles, realized that to maintain her independence, China must learn to fight, and they have been persistently at work ever since. Like most Orientals, the Chinese are a secretive people. The work of making an army, therefore, has been intrusted to the Japanese, because their work would not attract attention, and the work has been done very quietly, but much more effectively than Europeans or Americans have any idea of.

Forced to Abandon Antung.
Tokio—The Russians were forced to abandon Antung yesterday. They burned the town and retreated to Feng Huan Cheng. The Japanese now control the eastern of the Yalu.

Russians Pleased.
St. Petersburg: The crossing of the Yalu river by the Japanese forces did not impress the Russians, in view of the reports of the ensuing Japanese reverse. These reports became more persistent, and caused an all-round rise in prices on the bourse, but so far there has been no confirmation of them officially.

No News at St. Petersburg.
St. Petersburg: The Associated Press is informed that no further news has been received here from the Won San, Korea, or from the Yalu river. Communication with these places is necessarily slow.

A Russian Denial.
St. Petersburg: The admiralty denies that treasure amounting to \$6,000,000 went down with the battleship Petropavlovsk. No Russian war ship carries more than \$50,000.

No Attempt on Kouropatkin.
St. Petersburg: Rumors circulated of attempts on the life of Gen. Kouropatkin, the commander in chief of the Russian army in the Far East, are denied. Gen. Kouropatkin is at Liao Yang and in good health.

Chinese Cruiser Wrecked.
Shanghai: The Chinese cruiser Hai Tien, which struck the rocks at Eagle Point, sixty miles southeast of Shanghai, is a total loss. The United States cruiser New Orleans went to the assistance of the Hai Tien, but her efforts were unavailing. The crew of the Hai Tien were rescued. There was no loss of life.

Paris Green at Cost.
Yoakum, Texas: The Yoakum Board of Trade met Friday morning and appointed a committee to solicit subscriptions for a fund to be used in purchasing Paris green in bulk lots to be sold to the cotton planters at cost for ridding cotton fields of the boll weevil. From experiments made the conclusion has been reached that Paris green if used now by all the cotton planters, will exterminate the weevil.

Arrested in Chicago.
Chicago: Don F. Randolph, former president of the National Bank of Commerce of Wyandotte, I. T., was arrested here Friday night after a search lasting nearly a year. According to the police Randolph is wanted for the embezzlement of several thousand dollars belonging to depositors of the bank who were principally Indians from the Wyandotte and Cherokee reservations.

WHAT CONGRESS HAS DONE.

During the Session Which Adjourned On Thursday.

Passed a bill putting into effect the Cuban reciprocity treaty.

Ratified the Panama Canal treaty.

Passed a bill providing for the government of the Panama Canal zone.

Ratified the Chinese commercial treaty, providing for two open ports in Manchuria.

Ratified a treaty with Cuba to carry out the terms of the Platt amendment.

Passed a joint resolution authorizing the president to negotiate a treaty with Great Britain with the assent of Japan and Russia if possible to protect the fur seals of the North Pacific.

Adopted a joint resolution providing for the transportation on a government vessel of 600 public school teachers of Porto Rico to the United States to take courses in summer schools.

Re-enacted Chinese exclusion by a rider on the sundry civil bill.

Provided for a joint commission of the two houses to investigate the ship subsidy question.

Appropriated \$1,700,000 to purchase a site at the Pennsylvania Railroad terminal in New York for a branch postoffice.

Authorized the lease at not more than \$90,000 a year of a postoffice building in New York to be erected at the Central terminal.

Passed a bill providing a pension of \$100 a month for those who totally lost sight in the military or naval service.

Loaned the Louisiana Purchase Exposition Company \$4,600,000.

Provided for a \$475,000 exhibit at the Portland (Oregon) Exposition.

Provided for the extension of the east front of the capitol and a senate office building.

Grand total appropriations, \$781,574,629.

Number of bills introduced in the house, 15,398; number introduced in the senate, 5,645.

Of a total of more than 1,400 bills passed less than 150 were of a public nature.

FREQUENT CROP REPORTS.

Washington, April 29—The census office has resolved on a policy of publishing cotton reports next fall which the authorities think will go a long way toward preventing mill speculation on futures on the staple.

As is known, the government has been engaged in securing reports from ginners, and the betting has been on what these reports would show at the end of the year. The new program is to give out reports as they come in and to continue giving them out during the season.

On the 18th of October the agents of the government will be set to work throughout the South to secure from ginners the number of bales they have ginned. The government will employ men enough to secure ginners' reports quickly in every cotton growing county, and the census officers think that only a very short time will elapse before such reports are in the office here. As soon as they are in they will be published and given to the public. The manner of publication will be in giving the number of bales ginned in each cotton growing state up to the 18th of October, stating that the number ginned came from certain counties, enumerating them, but not giving the number ginned in each county. Another report of a like kind will be made at frequent intervals during the ginning season, and thus a knowledge of the actual production can be had by every one during the entire cotton season.

The proof sheets of the report on the cotton grown in the United States from the year 1899 to 1903 inclusive, are just out. They show the production of cotton in the whole of the United States in equivalent 500-pound bales to be: For 1899, 9,345,491 bales; for 1900, 10,123,027 bales; for 1901, 9,507,745 bales; for 1902, 10,630,945 bales; for 1903, 9,851,129 bales.

The Indian Territory produced in 1899, 143,808 bales; 1900, 249,935 bales; 1901, 247,073 bales; 1902, 351,595 bales; 1903, 278,347 bales.

Oklahoma Territory produced in 1899, 71,983 bales; in 1900, 106,707 bales; 1901, 131,413 bales; 1902, 193,704 bales; 1903, 186,589 bales.

In the years mentioned the Texas product was as follows: 1899, 2,609,018 bales; 1900, 3,438,386 bales; 1901, 2,498,012 bales; 1902, 2,471,651 bales.

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If you are sick or "feel badly," begin taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney, liver and bladder remedy, because as soon as your kidneys begin to get better they will help all the other organs to health. A trial will convince anyone.

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You may have a sample bottle of this famous kidney remedy, Swamp-Root, sent free by mail, postpaid, by which you may test its virtues for such disorders as kidney, bladder and uric acid diseases, poor digestion, being obliged to pass your water frequently night and day, smarting or irritation in passing, brickdust or sediment in the urine, headache, backache, lame back, dizziness, sleeplessness, nervousness, heart disturbance due to bad kidney trouble, skin eruptions from bad blood, neuralgia, rheumatism, diabetes, bloating, irritability, worn-out feeling, lack of ambition, loss of flesh, sallow complexion, or Bright's disease. If your water, when allowed to remain undisturbed in a glass or bottle for twenty-four hours, forms a sediment or settling or has a cloudy appearance, it is evidence that your kidneys and bladder need immediate attention. Swamp-Root is the great discovery of Dr. Kilmer, the eminent kidney and bladder specialist. Hospitals use it with wonderful success in both slight and severe cases. Doctors recommend it to their patients and use it in their own families, because they recognize in Swamp-Root the greatest and most successful remedy. Swamp-Root is pleasant to take and is for sale at drug stores the world over in bottles of two sizes and two prices—fifty cents and one dollar. Remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

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If shirts are what you need call on King & Millar.

Have you seen those new shirts at King & Millar's?

Good hams and breakfast bacon at Billy Lewis & Co's.

Major J. C. Wootters is seriously ill with heart trouble.

Buy Royal baking powder, the best, at Billy Lewis & Co's.

The Big Store's millinery department is showing the latest.

Miss Lea Arrington visited at Groveton Saturday and Sunday.

Monarch shirts are better. KING & MILLAR.

D. J. Jones & Co. are candidates for your lumber and shingle trade.

S. J. Murchison of Groveton spent the greater part of the week here.

Rev. J. A. Howard and little daughter were at Galveston this week.

The Big Store sells you 20 lbs of fancy Y. C. sugar for one dollar.

What do you think of a parasol for 25c? You can get it at Henry Bloch's.

Miss Corry Goolsby returned from a visit to her sister at Alto Sunday.

Base ball goods and fishing tackle of all kinds at the New Drug Store.

Buy your slippers from the Big Store. They have the prettiest line in town.

Miss Jessie Jones returned to Kennard Sunday, accompanied by Mr. Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Page were visitors to San Antonio Saturday and this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Harmon of Palestine spent several days here this week.

The Big Store can show you the prettiest dress goods, trimmings and accessories.

A. B. Mulligan reports heavy rains at Porter Springs Saturday and Sunday nights.

Potato buyers are here ready to handle the crop which is beginning to move this week.

Just Received.

A new lot of white kid belts, cheap at the Big Store.

The Big Store is carrying a full line of barbed wire and hog fencing. The price is right.

A. H. Wootters and Jim Smith shipped the first car of potatoes, which went out last week.

The soda fountain at the New Drug Store is in full operation. All the new drinks served.

"Tell It."

You can get 35 lbs of good rice for one dollar at the Big Store.

John Dominic of Houton was the guest of his friend, F. P. Gandolph, Sunday and Monday.

Shades of all kinds and prices at the furniture store. NEWTON & SIMS.

Cleaning, pressing and repairing a specialty. KING & MILLAR.

Matting from fifteen cents to the best at the furniture store. NEWTON & SIMS.

Miss Rena Spence of Grapeland, who has been visiting Mrs. J. F. Saxon, has returned home.

We have just received our spring line of Monarch shirts, the very newest patterns. KING & MILLAR.

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Go around to Henry Bloch's and ask him to show you those elegant shoes for men, women and children.

Bargain day at Mrs. Bricker's will be Saturday, May 7. Big lot of hats to go at 50c. Don't fail to see them.

Buy you a pretty belt, wrist bag or purse, shirt waist set, pompadour or Ever Tidy comb from the Big Store.

If you need a new suit or a pair of trousers, and your purse is rather slim, go and have a talk with Henry Bloch.

The New Drug Store has just received a big shipment of International Stock Food—the best stock food on earth.

Farmers!

Replant your cotton with King's New Improved seed. A few bushels for sale at the Big Store.

We have a new up-to-date line of lace curtains from seventy cents to five dollars a pair. NEWTON & SIMS.

Have your suit made where you can get a fit and save from \$2.50 to \$5.00 on the price. KING & MILLAR.

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Miss Kate Lively of Grapeland came down Sunday afternoon to visit her sister, Mrs. W. V. Berry, and returned Monday evening.

Coffins from five dollars to the best metallic casket. Calls promptly answered night or day. NEWTON & SIMS.

The city court has been full of business during the past two weeks. City Attorney Marvin Ellis is vigorously prosecuting all offenders of the law.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Starr have taken up their residence in Crockett and are stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Self. Mr. Starr travels out of here.

The children's exercises at the Methodist church Sunday night were of a high order and enjoyable. As an evidence of the appreciation of the efforts of the ladies having the entertainment in charge the seating capacity of the church was tested.

The Big Store is now showing some pretty silks that are strictly water and perspiration proof. They make beautiful waists or suits.

Mrs. Bricker will have a beautiful selection of patterns this week. If you want something nobby and stylish call and see them.

For the freshest groceries, the best groceries, the cheapest groceries and the quickest delivery of same phone or call on the Big Store.

Misses Leila and Pearl Doyle of Henderson were passengers on the north-bound train Sunday afternoon. They had been visiting at Huntsville.

Well-boring in the prospective oil field at Driskill's is reported to be at a standstill. The president of the company is expected on the ground this week.

See D. J. Jones & Co. for prices on all kinds of finished lumber. They make bevelled siding, match flooring, beaded ceiling and sawed shingles. Workmanship is first-class.

Licenses were issued Saturday to J. A. Berry to marry Miss Jessie Rustin and to J. C. Lansford to marry Miss Eula Moore. Both weddings occurred Sunday. The COURIER extends congratulations.

Nat Wetzel bought a four-horse wagon-load of seed peas Monday from a Leon county farmer. When his crops are gathered he will plant them on the same ground and turn them under in the fall for fertilizer.

The L. & G. N. is now running a three-hour and twenty-eight-minute train from Houston to Crockett, making only two stops in the county—Crockett and Grapeland—stopping at Grapeland for water. This train going north passes Crockett at 1:28 in the afternoon.

The managers of the Natalie plantation are to begin digging their potato crop today (Thursday). They have three potato digging machines of the latest pattern and will use a hundred hands. The work will not stop until the 200 acres of potatoes is exhausted.

E. Winfree announces for county judge. Judge Winfree is no stranger to the office of county judge, having held the office for three terms previous to his defeat two years ago. While in office he proved himself to be at all times affable and capable and has many warm friends over the county.

Important Notice.

Barker Tunstall returned from Dallas last week where he purchased some of the best barber tools that could be found in the city. He also brought back a hair tonic and dandruff cure that he guarantees. Give him a call. Customers who pay in advance can have their work done for \$1.00 per month.

Bank Notice.

The Farmers and Merchants National Bank, located at Crockett, Texas, is closing its affairs. All note holders and other creditors of the association are therefore hereby notified to present the notes and other claims for payment. ARCH BAKER, Pres.

Holly.

Miss Lizzie Jones of Trinity county has again contracted for a school in this county, and the people of Holly community have made a choice selection in securing her services to teach their school. It would be a credit to any school to secure the services of Miss Jones. X

Missionary Rally.

There will be a Missionary Rally of the Neches River association at Pennington beginning Thursday night before the 5th Sunday in May and continuing through Sunday. Dr. J. B. Gambrell, State Superintendent of Missions, will surely be present and other prominent Baptists are expected. It will be a great occasion and every church is urged to send representatives. A program may be expected very soon in these columns. Pennington knows how to care for all who will come. H.

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Election of Trustees.

An election for school trustees will be held in Crockett Saturday. Three trustees are to be elected and the following have consented to let their names go on the ticket: Allen Newton, H. J. Phillips and J. S. Cook.

Hon. J. H. Ratcliff, in a personal letter to the editor, says in effect that getting the COURIER "is like seeing kinfolks." He writes from Starks, La., where he is engaged in saw milling. He closes his letter as follows: "Hurrah for the man that comes out in the lead in the primary, but I would stop them at one primary. It makes me think of old times to see the list of announcements. Best wishes to the COURIER."

Messrs. Wetzel and Sweet shipped for the Natalie plantation company Monday by express to St. Louis 105 crates of beans. This was their second shipment, fifty crates having been previously shipped, both shipments making 155 crates or 51½ bushels. These beans were quoted on the St. Louis market at a dollar a crate or three dollars a bushel. This same company will ship 200 crates Thursday to the same point.

There is much improvement going on in Crockett, as much as you hear "dull times." Mr. Eddy will build a fine residence on the property south of town which he bought from J. V. Collins, three elegants homes are in the course of construction in east Crockett within a stone's throw of each other and a plate-glass front is being added to the east side of the public square. Evidence of public improvement and home pride are on every hand and the man who doesn't get out of the old rut is going to get run over.

Hail and Cloudburst.

E. E. Barlow was in town Monday from Belott and reported a terrific waterspout on Hickory Creek Saturday night. Fences, water-gaps and all small bridges were washed away. Great rafts of brush and trash were washed from the creek bottom out into the fields and left. Much land on Mr. Barlow's place was ruined by the great volume of water rushing over it, cutting gulleys in some places and covering up his crops in others. Mr. Barlow says that after the rainfall had ceased the roar of the creek was deafening. A heavy hail storm preceded the waterspout. Nothing like it has ever before been experienced on Hickory Creek, according to Mr. Barlow's recollection. Farmers spent Sunday rebuilding their fences and much of the crop will have to be replanted.

Will Build \$8,000 Residence.

Mr. Fisher, one of the stockholders of the Natalie plantation company, left Joliet, Ill., Tuesday for Crockett and will arrive here today (Thursday). Mr. Fisher and his associates have bought the LeGory farm two miles from town on the Huntsville road, including pear and peach orchards. Mr. Fisher will build an \$8,000 residence in the beautiful grove on the hill where the Dunnam old house stands, which he will use as a winter residence and which the COURIER will take the responsibility of stating he will find much more pleasant in the summer than Joliet, which is near Chicago. We think we can speak for the county when we say that it welcomes such valuable acquisitions as Mr. Fisher and his family and it is to be hoped that more of his associates will build homes here, where the winters are short and the summers tempered by the gulf breezes and the soil unexcelled for fruit and vegetable culture.

Delegates Appointed.

DALLAS, TEXAS, April 14. Judge Porter Newman, Crockett, Texas.

The seventh annual meeting of the Real Estate and Industrial Association will be held in the city of Dallas, May 11 and 12. The executive committee extends a cordial invitation for you to attend, and also requests that you appoint not less than ten of the most enterprising real estate dealers or owners in your county as delegates to represent the interest of your section in this convention, as matters of importance will come up which will be of interest to the whole state.

Yours very truly,
A. N. EVANS, Sec.

In compliance with the above request I appoint the following persons: D. A. Nunn, G. Q. King, H. J. Arledge, John LeGory, J. R. Sheridan, J. W. Madden, A. A. Aldrich, Nat Wetzel, J. D. Freeman, A. H. Wootters, Joe Adams and J. W. Young, to represent the interest of Houston county at the seventh annual meeting of the Real Estate and Industrial Association of Texas, to be held at Dallas on the 11th and 12th of May. This is a matter that ought to be looked after by the people of this county, and I hope that at least a committee will be selected from the above list that will attend this meeting, but trust that all who can will go. Respectfully,
PORTER NEWMAN.

City School Affiliated.

The following letter is self explanatory:
"Supt. Walker King, Crockett, Texas.

I am glad to inform you that at the last meeting of the faculty, the Crockett High school was affiliated with the University of Texas in English, history and mathematics.

Congratulating you upon your success in securing affiliation, and trusting that this result will prove of great benefit to both the university and your high school. I remain very sincerely yours,
W. S. SUTTON,
Chairman of Committee on Affiliated Schools.

March 31st, 1904."

There are five departments of study in the high school, viz: Mathematics, history, Latin, English and science. No fault is found with the Latin work as done in the high school. But a four-years' course is required instead of three, which the present class has had. Next year's class will complete the required course of four years, and if this work is again approved, the Latin course will be added to the affiliated list of studies. No school without a laboratory can be affiliated in science, so our school can not ask for affiliation in that department at present. It is to be hoped that at an early day the necessary equipment will be provided, so that our high school can take its stand with the best of the state. W. KING, Supt.

Ten Nights in a Bar Room.

Although this play has been before the public for so many years, still there are few plays that possess the drawing powers of this piece today.

The secret of its success is that the story is a popular one, and the incidents of the play are familiar to every man, woman and child in the country.

Geyer & Griswold have selected their large company with the greatest of care, employing only first-class talent. Band concert at 7 o'clock nightly.

Everybody in the country can afford to see Ten Nights in a Bar Room played under a large water proof tent at the price of admission which is only 25c for adults, children under six years free. So come and bring your whole family. Remember the date, May 7.

THE COURIER.

W. W. Aiken, - Editor and Proprietor

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the action of the democratic party:

- For District Judge
B. H. Gardner
John Young Gooch
J. M. Crook
- For District Attorney
Jo A. McDonald
- For State Senator
C. C. Stokes
John B. Peyton
- For Representative
I. A. Daniel
Jas. Christian
- For County Judge
Porter Newman
E. Winfree
- For Sheriff
A. W. Phillips
John C. Lacy
Jim Barbee
S. M. Holcomb
- For County Treasurer
T. C. Lively
D. J. Cater
M. M. Baker
E. B. Tims
- For County Clerk
C. G. (Gershom) Lansford
Nat E. Allbright
James Owens
Miss Freddie Luker
- For Tax Collector
J. W. Brightman
J. R. Sheridan
Ben H. Logan
John A. McConnell
- For District Clerk
Nat Patton
J. B. Stanton
John A. Goolsby
- For County Attorney
L. A. Sallas
John Spence
J. A. Ragland
- For Tax Assessor
Bailey Hatchell
Tony Gossett
John H. Ellis
H. B. (Jack) Clark
- For Commissioner Prec. No. 1
J. N. Tyer
- For Commissioner Prec. No. 2
J. E. Bean
Ross Murehson
J. B. (Berkley) Ellis
- For Commissioner Prec. No. 3
W. J. Peacock
J. D. McCullar
Ab Thomasson
I. L. Jeffus
- For Commissioner Prec. No. 4
H. W. McElvey
J. E. Smith
E. D. Lockey
J. C. Starling
- For Justice Peace Prec. No. 1
J. W. Saxon
- For Justice Peace Prec. No. 3
W. R. Sneed
- For Constable Prec. No. 1
O. B. (Deb) Hale
Bony Satterwhite
N. S. Box

With good and wide streets and sidewalks capital will seek larger investment here and railroads will follow.

All matter appearing in the COURIER in the interest of any local candidate for office, not written by the editor, is published as paid matter. This has become an established rule in this office and all other well-regulated offices and will be strictly adhered to. This rule is not adopted as a source of deriving revenue, but to protect our columns from long articles that are sent in to be published in the interest of some particular candidate or candidates, who, being the sole beneficiary or beneficiaries, should not object to bearing the expense of the publication, and usually they do not, for the American office-seeker is generally very liberally inclined. All such articles must be properly signed or credited, showing the source from which they come and that they do not emanate from the editorial room of the paper. No editorial will be written or published at the instigation of any one except the editor.

We understand the matter of improving the court house yard is being agitated by both the city and county officials. A better move could not be made. Our information is that the plan is to

move all hitching racks and chains to the rear alleys and streets, doing away with all posts around the court yard. Then a brick curbing is to be put around the yard, the lawn raised and terraced and in other ways beautified. Every citizen of the county feels a pride in the court house and grounds and their present unsightly and unsavory condition does not meet with public favor or approbation. A continual stench emanates from the hitching racks, endangering the public health and producing flies in swarms. If only one man hitches at these racks, he rides as near to one of the gates as possible and leaves his horse standing across the walk in front of the gate, to obstruct and befoul the public thoroughfare. We believe the officials will meet with the encouragement of a self-respecting public in their undertaking which the COURIER does not hesitate to say is a most laudable one. Let this improvement be made and let others follow.

Paris green is being successfully used in south central Texas in the destruction of the boll weevil. The method of using paris green is about the following, so as to be safe with the general farmer: Mix a heaping teaspoonful of paris green with a quart of low grade flour. It must be very thoroughly stirred and mixed, in fact it ought to be sifted in with the flour so as to mix it thoroughly. In this diluted form it can be put onto a plant without injury, and quite as effectively, as an insecticide, or the farmer can take four ounces of paris green or london purple and mix into a thick paste with water, then put it into twenty-five gallons of water, sweetened molasses, or twenty-five gallons of lime white-wash and spray the plants. The above is the most approved method of using the poison. A high authority on the subject thinks flour is the easiest applied with the poison and will be just as effective. If there is a little dew on the cotton, it will make a paste and stick to the plant, says this authority. Reports from where the experiment has been tried so far state that quite a number of the weevils are killed in this way. Smoe reports state that paris green is being used in its pure form, but there is great danger in killing the cotton by using it this way. The plan is worth trying, for a few dollars in this way may mean the saving of a bale of cotton.

U. S. DEPARTMENT.

Decoration and Memorial Day, 1904.

Never did the sun shine brighter—never was there a more perfect day than April 26th, 1904.

An ideal day for the observance of the beautiful memorial service that the United Daughters of the Confederacy hold once a year in memory of the honored dead. Throughout the entire South these services were being held on the same day, and possibly the same hour. The D. A. Nunn Chapter invited the Veterans of Crockett Camp 141 to unite with them and assist in their second celebration of Decoration and Memorial day.

At eleven o'clock the ladies, of the reception committee, were in place to receive and greet the grand old Veterans. The hall was gay with Confederate colors, flags and flowers, artistic decoration making a lovely background for the bright, young faces who were to come in later for their part in the program. Mrs. Nunn gave the Veterans a beautiful address of welcome, at the conclusion of which she told them of her appointment as chairman of committee, by the Daughters of the Confederacy, at Houston last December, to inaugurate measures to have the birthday of ex-President Davis made a legal holiday in the State of Texas; read them her circular letter, and letter from Hon. John H. Reagan, approving and endorsing the movement, and called upon the Veterans for an expression. An unqualified approval and endorsement was given by resolution, and a committee appointed to present a memorial to the next Legislature asking that the great State of Texas make June 3rd a legal holiday, in memory of our first and only President of the Southern Confederacy—ex-

President Davis, "the uncrowned king, enthroned in the hearts of his people," as Henry Grady so eloquently described him.

An elegant dinner was served, during which beautiful music was rendered by Messrs. Brightman, Collins, Gandolph and others. The Veterans in happy frame of mind then repaired to the hall for the musical and literary feast that followed.

The only regret we had, as the President of the Chapter, Mrs. Wootters, so charmingly and graciously bestowed the crosses of honor, was that we did not have crosses for every Veteran present. These Southern crosses of honor are said to be made from the first guns fired at Fort Sumpter; so dearly are they prized by the Daughters and the Veterans, that it is impossible to get them until the blank certificates of eligibility are filled out and certified to by two witnesses and commander of the camp. These blank certificates are ordered from Nashville and the crosses of honor from the custodian in Atlanta, Ga., who will not send them until she receives the certificates.

EXERCISES FOR THE AFTERNOON.

Prayer by the Chaplain of the Camp.

A beautiful soul-stirring address of welcome, by Capt. Wall.

"The Old Kentucky Home"—Lind Harmonics, Mrs. Walker King, Miss Ethel Wootters, Mrs. Jno. LeGory, Mrs. Henry Baker.

Confederate flag drill, by twenty-four little girls, music pupils of the school, dressed in white with red sashes, and carrying wreaths of flowers and small Confederate flags. The figures they made in marching were beautiful and when they stood in line singing "The Bonnie Blue Flag," in their clear, childish voices, cheer after cheer greeted them, Veterans threw up their hats, some looking on with tears in their eyes and one of the Veterans gave the "Rebel Yell," which the most of us heard for the first time.

"Ben Bolt"—Mrs. Pinkney Hail.

Recitation, "Music in Camp." Violin accompaniment.

Kathleen Hail. Violin, Messrs Brightman and Collins.

"Annie Laurie"—Miss Ethel Wootters.

"Tenting To-night on the Old Camp Ground"—Lind Harmonics. Presentation of Crosses of Honor—Mrs. J. H. Wootters, Pres. D. A. Nunn Chapter.

"Last Rose of Summer"—Mrs. Walker King.

Reading—Soldiers of the War—Mr. Payne.

"Dixie," sung by all standing.

After last number, Commander Barbee, on motion from Mr. Martin, thanked the Daughters of the Confederacy in behalf of the Veterans for the bountiful dinner, beautiful exercises and manner, in which they had been entertained. Then all fell in line and marched to the cemetery to place fresh flowers on the graves of those who, though called to the "Great Beyond," are still, and will always be, with us in memory.

MRS. CORINNE N. CORRY, Cor. Sec., D. A. Nunn Chapter, Texas Division, U. D. C.

From Daniel.

EDITOR COURIER:

Seeing nothing from Daniel in sometime, thought I would write the news of the community.

Health is very good at present, every body busy at work. Crops are looking very well, some cotton being chopped and others waiting for the weather to get warmer. Potatoes are fine and nearly ready to ship. Berries are plentiful.

Miss Emmie Glenn, who has been attending school in Crockett, visited her parents last week.

Mrs. Pearl Burke of Bulah, visited Mr. J. W. Reynold's family last Sunday.

The people of this community will have a Sunday school rally in way of a picnic at the Concord church, May 14th, 1904. Every body is invited to come and bring a basket; also cold drinks to sell proceeds to go for the benefit of the church. Let everybody come and help to make it pleasant for the Sunday school children. Program for the children's service will begin at 10 o'clock.

We are expecting an address by Judge A. A. Aldrich.



A Heart to Heart Talk

With sensible people on the subject of Dress shows that we are growing wiser. It used to be considered quite the proper thing for a man to pay his tailor forty dollars for a suit of clothes. In this enlightened age we would call it foolishness. The average man likes to be well-dressed but he has no burning desire to waste his money. More than 250,000 men are wearing **Royal Tailoring** to-day; the garments they have on were made to their measure by **The Royal Tailors**, of Chicago, and while they represent high-class individual tailoring service, the men who wear them have the satisfaction of knowing that the cost was away below the usual charge for the same quality of goods and workmanship. Over 400 beautiful patterns in Spring and Summer novelty suitings just received from this famous tailoring house are now shown by

KING & MILLAR,
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EVERYTHING AT COST.

STOCK MUST BE CLOSED OUT.

Here Are Some Prices:

20 pounds Y. C. Sugar	\$1.00
18 " White Sugar	.....	1.00
12½ " Good Green Coffee	.....	1.00
12½ " Lard Compound	.....	1.00
25 " Navy Beans	.....	1.00
20 " A. & H. Soda	.....	1.00
Magnolia Condensed Milk, can	.....	10
Allspice per pound	.....	15
Arbuckle's Coffee, 2 packages	.....	25
2-pound can Tomatoes, each	.....	7
Big Bale Smoking Tobacco, pound	.....	20
Duke's Mixture, pound	.....	35
Bluing, boxes, each	.....	24
Nugget Soap, cake	.....	2

The above figures are not confined to Groceries alone, but to all Dry Goods, Hats, Shoes and Hardware.


Yours truly,
C. L. Shivers,
Coltharp, Texas



OUT OF SIGHT.

We cannot have everything in the line of drugs and medicines in view. First place many chemicals would lose their strength if exposed; second, too many thousands of different drugs to show. But we have them all safe and sure enough. If you don't see what you want, ask for it—you'll get it pure and at a fair figure. Physicians' prescriptions a specialty.

SMITH & FRENCH DRUG CO.



Public Service.

For sixty days my Stallion will be at the service of the public, at Smith's Livery Stable in Crockett. Terms reasonable.

H. M. BARBEE.