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## OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE

### Crockett State Bank

AT CROCKETT,

State of Texas, at the close of business on the 28th day of April, 1909, published in the Crockett Courier, a newspaper printed and published at Crockett, State of Texas, on the 6th day of May, 1909.

#### RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$ 56,143.96
Loans, real estate	26,700.82
Overdrafts	1,831.98
Bonds and Stocks	
Real Estate (banking house)	9,500.00
Other Real Estate	
Furniture and Fixtures	3,216.34
Due from approved reserve agents	\$30,346.13
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check	34,309.27
	64,655.40
Cash Items	12.50
Currency	9,345.00
Specie	6,668.49
	16,025.99
Other Resources as follows:	
Total	\$178,074.19

#### LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus fund	7,000.00
Undivided profits, net	1,388.23
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check	
Individual deposits subject to check	119,735.96
Time Certificates of Deposit	
Demand Certificates of Deposit	
Cashier's Checks	
Bills Payable and Re-discounts	
Other Liabilities as follows:	
Total	\$178,074.19

State of Texas, County of Houston.  
We, W. H. Denny as president, and D. O. Kiesel as cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

W. H. DENNY, President.  
D. O. KIESEL, Cashier.  
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 4th day of May, A. D. nineteen hundred and nine. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.  
I. W. MURCHISON,  
Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:  
GEO. W. CROOK,  
W. I. KENNEDY,  
B. L. SATTERWHITE,  
Directors.

#### Excursions to Houston.

Account horse races, excursion tickets on sale May 7th, good until May 11th, one and one-third fare. Also popular low excursion rates in effect May 5th, 12th and 19th. Tickets good for return to leave Houston Friday morning following date of sale.

For further particulars, see agents I. & G. N. R. R. 3t.

Miss Charm Aldrich and Mr. B. L. Satterwhite were married in Houston Saturday afternoon. The marriage was a surprise to their friends here and elsewhere, no intimation of it having been given out in advance. Mr. and Mrs. Satterwhite took the afternoon train for Crockett and are making their home here at the Lansford hotel. The bride was formerly a resident of this city and is the only daughter of Mrs. Julia Aldrich, now residing in Houston. The groom is a prominent young business man of Crockett, was reared in the county and has a large circle of friends who have been extending congratulations. The bride has come in for a full measure of best wishes, heaped and overflowing.

#### A Happy Father

is soon turned to a sad one if he has to walk the floor every night with a crying baby. McGee's Baby Elixir will make the child well,—soothe its nerves, induce healthy, normal slumber. Best for disordered bowels and sour stomach—all teething babies need it. Pleasant to take, sure and safe, contains no harmful drugs. Price 25 and 50 cents per bottle. Sold by The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

#### PREVENT BANK FAILURES.

### Newly Chartered Surety Company in Kansas Goes Further Than the State Law.

Topeka, Kan., May 3.—A charter was granted today to the Bankers' Guaranty and Surety Company, organized by national bankers, chiefly for the insurance of bank deposits. Its capital is fixed at \$500,000 and its headquarters are in Topeka.

The purpose of the company, as set forth in the charter, are:

"To secure and guaranty payment of deposits in state and national banks to their depositors; to buy and sell notes, bonds and other securities; to invest in bank securities and assets, including real estate as an incident thereto, and insure to guaranty the fidelity and faithful performance by banks, bank officers and bank employes of their obligations and policies of this corporation."

Premiums will be fixed on a sliding scale. For instance, bank deposits up to the amount of the capital and surplus will be insured for 50c a thousand dollars per year, while deposits over that amount must pay \$1 a thousand. Examiners will be employed to examine the banks which are insured. The charter is so worded that the company can come to the relief of a bank before it fails or it can take it over bodily before the doors close. Under the state law no relief can be given until the bank fails. It is the plan of the national banks insurance concern to save banks from failing.

#### Commissioner Sam Explains.

Grapeland, Tex., April 19, 1909. Editor Courier:

I want to speak a little of county affairs. Now, I compare the commissioners' court to this, when the Savior met the multitude and had such a small amount of bread and two little fish, and they ate and were filled, and after eating, they gathered up twelve baskets of fragments. In like manner the commissioners have taken hold of county affairs in 1906 when there was no bread at all and the amount of fish was limited. We have done our very best to improve the public, and we have accommodations at the court house and jail for the public that they have never had before. In 1906 there was no money in the road and bridge fund, now we have \$3909.61. There was no jury fund, now we have \$5717.84. I will only mention these two, they were the only ones that did not have any at all. We reduced the county's indebtedness from \$47,804 to \$25,000 and the tax rate has been reduced from 102 per hundred to 72c, by gathering up the fragments. I have built 40 bridges averaging \$12.00 each, which would be \$480.00. Before my time, they would have cost at least \$20.00 each, so you see the difference of something about \$300.00 in all, but remember we had to gather the fragments however small they may be. Now the saying, "a hit dog will growl." I must say I will growl when they hit me in the wrong way.

The finance committee cast the first stone at the commissioners. They mentioned we drew pay for

81 days but failed to state that we had put in that time on roads and bridges. Now I think that report made several mistakes. Now, the very idea of the court approving bonds before the officers took the oath of office. That is something like putting the cart before the horse. It is not our duty to administer the oath of office, but it's our duty to approve bonds. We are aware of the fact that we are allowed twelve days for road inspection at \$3.00 per day and they have it reported twelve days at \$2.00 per day. So we see that it is one of their errors. Now road and bridge work is quite different.

We do not deny any money charged to us for road and bridge work, we have put in the time and the court allowed the claims. So far as allowing ex-officio, we have never paid any officer ex-officio until the county was due him for work already done, and the former judge drawing ahead, well he put in a month over his time and we think any work man worthy of his hire.

May the spirit of God impress the next "Finance Committee's" hearts to give both sides of the subject and not let it be so one sided.

I must close, wishing much success to all. Yours to serve,  
S. H. Lively.

#### Child and Its Dog Killed.

Lovelady, Texas, May 4.—A little Mexican child and its dog were killed yesterday evening by the log train at West & Davidson Lumber company's mill, one mile north of town.

The child was on the track while the train was backing out after unloading logs and was killed instantly.

#### Chamberlain's Liniment.

This is a new preparation and a good one. It is especially valuable as a cure for bronchitis, rheumatism, and for the relief from pain which it affords in acute inflammatory rheumatism. Those who have used it have invariably spoken of it in the highest terms of praise. Lame back, lame shoulder and stiff neck are due to rheumatism of the muscles, usually brought on by exposure to cold or damp, and are quickly cured by applying this liniment freely and massaging the affected parts. Soreness of the muscles, whether induced by violent exercise or injury, is allayed by this liniment. For sale by the Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

#### Rev. I. W. Williamson's Letter

Rev. I. W. Williams, Huntington, W. Va., writes: "This is to certify that I used Foley's Kidney Remedy for nervous exhaustion and kidney trouble and am free to say that it will do all that you claim for it." Foley's Kidney Remedy has restored health and strength to thousands of weak, run down people. Contains no harmful drugs and is pleasant to take. McLean's Drug Store.

#### The End of the World

should it come to-morrow would find fully 1-3 of the people suffering with rheumatism of either slight or serious nature. Nobody need suffer with rheumatism for Ballard's Snow Liniment drives away the trouble, relieves the pain instantly and leaves the user as well and supple as a two year old. Sold by The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT to the State Constitution Validating School Districts and Their Bonded Indebtedness and Authorizing Levy and Collection of Taxes to Pay Such Indebtedness.

#### HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 5.

House Joint Resolution to amend Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto Section 3a, validating school districts and the bonded indebtedness of such districts and authorizing the levy and collection of taxes to pay such indebtedness.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto a new section, to be known as Section 3a, which shall read and be as follows:

Sec. 3a. Every school district heretofore formed, whether formed under the general law or by special act, and whether the territory embraced within its boundaries lies wholly within a single county or partly in two or more counties, is hereby declared to be, and from its formation to have been, a valid and lawful district.

All bonds heretofore issued by any such districts which have been approved by the Attorney General and registered by the Comptroller are hereby declared to be, and at the time of their issuance to have been, issued in conformity with the Constitution and laws of this State, and any and all such bonds are hereby in all things validated and declared to be valid and binding obligations upon the district or districts issuing the same.

Each such district is hereby authorized to, and shall, annually levy and collect an ad valorem tax sufficient to pay the interest on all such bonds and to provide a sinking fund sufficient to redeem the same at maturity, not to exceed such a rate as may be provided by law under other provisions of this Constitution. And all trustees heretofore elected in districts made up from more than one county are

hereby declared to have been duly elected, and shall be and are hereby named as trustees of their respective districts,—with power to levy the taxes herein authorized until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified as is or may be provided by law.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published. And the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballot the words, "Against the amendment to Article 7 of the Constitution validating school districts and school district bonds."

Sec. 3. That \$5000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary be, and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

(A true copy.)  
W. B. Townsend,  
Secretary of State.

#### A Card.

This is to certify that all druggists are authorized to refund your money if Foley's Honey and Tar fails to cure your cough or cold. It stops the cough, heals the lungs and prevents pneumonia and consumption. Contains no opiates. The genuine is in a yellow package. McLean's Drug Store.

## Special Prices

### ON CLEANING AND PRESSING WORK

Suits pressed	50c
Pants pressed	15c
Skirts pressed	25c
Suits made to measure	from \$10.00 up

All kinds of Cleaning, Pressing and Repair  
Work done at very low prices.

## JNO. HORAN

GENTS' FURNISHER AND TAILOR  
NORTH SIDE SQUARE.

THE BIG STORE


# Jas. S. Shivers & Company

SAYS

By Giving "Safe" and "Sure" Values They Have Won the Confidence of the People.

The goods handled by this store are dependable goods and every article is a sure value at the price. The cleanest credit system in the world is available to our customers who desire to take advantage of it (that of buying goods at the lowest cash prices on credit). Come in and let us show you the goods quoted below together with many more. Face to face, with the goods in hand before you, we feel that we can prove to you their merit better than we can tell you on paper. Our stock is complete in all branches and we feel that we are better able to fit you up all round than any one else in the city. Then, why buy a pair of pants at one place, a pair of shoes at another, a sack of flour at another and a wagon at another when you can get it all under one roof from us and at almost wholesale prices.

You Can See the Point---Now Notice the Few Items We Wish to Mention Specially

Hats.	Clothing.	Millinery.	Dry Goods.
<p>The first we will mention is our stock of hats for men and boys in all styles, shapes and colors, from the cheapest to the best John B. Stetson make.</p> <p>No. 1866—Keystone, black and white, good, clean stock and fine value at \$2.50, our price while they last..... <b>\$1.98</b></p> <p>No. 2560—Youths' black and light color, medium brim, extra value at \$1.25, our price..... <b>98c</b></p> <p>Then we have the celebrated Thoroughbred hat in all the new styles, shapes and colors, the best hat on the market for <b>\$3.00</b></p> <p>Our line of new dress straw hats are the very thing for summer wear and all at very low prices.</p>	<p>Our stock of clothing is entirely too large and we have decided to cut the price and reduce it before we take inventory in July. We have suits for men ranging in price from \$1.50 to <b>15.00</b></p> <p>Special—one lot of youths' black, No. 2101, well worth five dollars, our price only..... <b>3.00</b></p> <p>No. 871, light small check, good value at \$4.50, our special price only..... <b>2.98</b></p> <p>Lot No. 3602, light gray, checked, regular price \$5.00, our special price only..... <b>3.98</b></p> <p>PANTS—we have them for all in all colors and stripes, and from 25c to \$1.00 a pair for boys and from 75c to \$5.00 for men, and they are worth the money, too.</p>	<p>Don't overlook this department when in our store. Our milliners keep pace with all the latest creations in this line and can please and save you money.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Laces and Embroideries.</b></p> <p>Our stock of lace and embroidery with insertions to match is very large and we are making very close prices on these in order to reduce the stock. It will pay you to look at them.</p>	<p>This is where we wear our long suit. Our stock is entirely too large for us to undertake to mention all that this department contains. However, it is enough to say that the stock in this line is complete and we shall call your attention to only a few items.</p> <p>First we will mention line 5-24—Poplin, in all the late shades and stripes, regular 65c value, our reduced price, per yd... <b>41c</b></p> <p>Line 4-25—Regular 45c value, our reduced price, per yard only..... <b>29c</b></p> <p>Line 4-17—Pongette, in brown, blue, gray and old rose, regular 40c value, our reduced price, per yard, only..... <b>25c</b></p> <p>Line 4-25—Taffeta corderette, in all the pretty colors, just the correct thing for light coat-suits, regular 35c value, our reduced price, while they last, per yard, only..... <b>24c</b></p> <p>Line 5-31—Beautiful white madras waisting, would be extra value at 30c per yard, our price only..... <b>20c</b></p> <p>Line 2-8—Fine at 15c per yard, our price only..... <b>10c</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Shoes.</b></p> <p>Yes, we have them for everybody and we are still trying and shall continue to try to hammer the idea into the minds of our customers that Star brand shoes are better and cost less. Come and let us show you.</p>	<p>Therefore, call and let us sell you your whole bill of safe and sure values.</p> 		

THE BIG STORE

**From Bellett.**  
Crockett, Texas, May 3, 1909.  
Editor Courier:

This beautiful Monday morning finds us knocking at the door for admittance. Farmers are looking "blue" after the storm and so much rain, also the cold mornings which will be very bad on the young cotton and corn, but we hope this will be a year of plenty.

Mrs. Evans, Tadmor's efficient teacher, has finished her school and returned to her cozy little home at Bellett. The doctor is all smiles, too.

We regret very much to see Miss Hurt go away, as she was so much help to our community, all ways at her post at school and church.

Miss Hanna Patton, the accomplished daughter of Mr. F. M. Patton, and teacher of Connor Creek school, is at home to spend a week, then she will go to Stubblefield to attend school.

Miss Mary Belle Miller spent Sunday with homefolks.

Rev. G. W. Blakeway preached a very interesting sermon last night at Enterprise, the audience being very large. Next Sunday Rev. Stokley will fill his regular appointment and everybody is invited to attend.

We are having some sickness now. Mrs. A. J. Johnson has been very low, but we are glad to say she is improving rapidly.

Miss Carrie Lockey's school comes to a close next Friday night, May 7. She is preparing for a large crowd and everybody is invited. We will have good music to entertain the people.

A good crowd was present at the League Sunday. Rev. G. W. Blakeway, R. F. Hall and G. H. Austin commented on the chapter prepared for the evening. A. S. Lockey was elected secretary.

After the resignation of Miss Hurt as president, Mrs. Dug Austin fills her position.

Wishing the Courier success, I am  
A Member.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT to the State Constitution in Regard to Formation and Taxing Power of School Districts.**

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 6.  
House Joint Resolution to amend Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Sec. 3. One fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes and a poll tax of \$1 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free school, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources, will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such districts, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts, heretofore formed or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings

therein, provided that a majority of the qualified property tax-paying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax, not to exceed in any one year 50 cents on the \$100 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such district, but the limitation upon the amount of school district tax herein authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall be duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three (3) months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such newspaper may be published. And the Governor shall and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature. At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, of Article 7, of the Constitution in regard to the formation and taxing power of school districts."

Sec. 3. That \$5000.00 or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.  
(A true copy.)  
W. B. Townsend,  
Secretary of State.

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**THROW OUT THE LINE.**  
Give Them Help and Many Crockett People Will be Happier.

"Throw Out the Life Line"—The kidneys need help. They're overworked—can't get the poison filtered out of the blood. They're getting worse every minute. Will you help them? Doan's Kidney Pills have brought thousands of kidney sufferers back from the verge of despair. Will cure any form of kidney trouble.

Mrs. G. S. Rose, living at 807 Mallard St., Palestine, Tex., says: "For several years I had kidney complaint and was treated by physicians without finding relief. My back and left side pained me a great deal and kidney secretions were rather unnatural in appearance. Doan's Kidney Pills have given me great relief and I take pleasure in recommending them to other persons suffering in a similar manner."

Plenty more proof like this from Crockett people. Call at I. W. Sweet's drug store and ask what customers report.

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

**A Smile**

is a pretty hard thing to accomplish when you're blue, bilious and out of sorts. There is a sure cure for all kinds of stomach and liver complaints—constipation and dyspepsia. Ballard's Herbine is mild, yet absolutely effective in all cases. Price 50 cents per bottle. Sold by The Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

Many weak, nervous women have been restored to health by Foley's Kidney Remedy as it stimulates the kidneys so they will eliminate the waste matter from

**PROFESSIONAL CARDS.**

**T. R. ATMAR,**  
DENTIST,  
CROCKETT, TEXAS.  
Office over Bricker's Jewelry Store. Telephone No. 67.  
Crown and Bridge Work a Specialty.

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**MADDEN & ELLIS,**  
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,  
CROCKETT, TEXAS.  
Will practice in all the State and Federal Courts and in both Civil and Criminal Cases. Special attention given to all business placed in our hands, including collections and probate matters.  
Madden & Ellis.

**W. C. LIPSCOMB, M. D.,**  
PHYSICIAN and SURGEON  
CROCKETT, TEXAS.  
Office with The Murchison-Beasley Drug Company.

the blood. Impurities depress the nerves, causing nervous exhaustion and other ailments. Commence today and you will soon be well. Pleasant to take.  
McLean's Drug Store.

**Boys Will be Boys**  
and are always getting scratches, cuts, sprains, bruises, bumps, burns or scalds. Don't neglect such things—they may result seriously if you do. Apply Ballard's Snow Liniment according to directions right away and it will relieve the pain and heal the trouble. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by the Murchison-Beasley Drug Co.

**FOLEY'S HONEY AND STAR**  
stops the cough and heals lungs



# THE CROCKETT COURIER, THE WORLD'S NEWS

W. W. AIKEN, Editor and Prop.  
CROCKETT, TEXAS

### Change the Date.

"Change the date!" exclaims the Washington Star, referring to inauguration day. By all means. Let us all pull together, and the date will be changed. Perhaps the reason of past failure is that it is rarely suggested except immediately after a presidential election, and then, as it is too late to benefit the incoming president, the desired reform is dropped and nothing more is heard of it for four years. The proposition to move inauguration day along toward the close of April has never been before the house. "There is undoubtedly," says the Star, "a majority sentiment in the house and senate in favor of the change, and indeed the senate has more than once adopted the joint resolution looking to this amendment. The trouble has been that the house has never appeared to regard the subject of sufficient importance to warrant its consideration. Yet congress has lost some of its valued members through exposure on the fourth of March at inauguration time. There is not a member of the two houses soon to meet who will not run a risk from the raw winds that sometimes mark the early days of March in this city." Let us hope, says the Rochester Herald, that some one will undertake to inaugurate this desirable change at the next session.

It is probable that no woman is so much an object of envy to other women as a great prima donna, yet almost invariably these queens of the operatic stage discourage girls from trying to follow in their footsteps. Mme. Calve, who above all the rest seems to get pleasure out of her life, is quoted as saying to such girls: "If you have no home, if you have no money, if you are absolutely without affection, if there is nothing else you can do, then sing, but if not do anything else. Make corsets, hats, dresses, I care not what." She says it is a hard life which singers lead, and involves deprivations of what most people call pleasure. The voice and its care must have the first thought and the last, which means in fact that the singer is a slave to her precious voice. And yet, remarks the Indianapolis Star, all that Calve and her sister singers may say will not hinder one girl from striving to stand where they do if she has the ambition with any sort of a voice.

Europe is not the only part of the world where earthquakes have been felt. From the grimly named Death Valley comes the announcement of a series of shocks there and in that vicinity, causing great consternation. Heavy boulders have been tossed about, miners have been thrown out of bunk, the usually placid mules have been driven to a frenzy which caused them to stampede and there have been general "ructions," one result of which has been the fleeing of many miners to regions where Mother Earth shows less of an antic disposition. No really serious harm is reported, but the upheavals, in connection with perturbations elsewhere, would seem to show that there is a very lively and extensive agitation going on in the world's interior.

Cases of homicide by pistol shooting have been alarmingly on the increase. From different sections of the country come almost daily reports of murders for which the too ready use of the revolver was responsible. The greater percentage of the fatal shooting affrays recorded in the press during the past three or four months have been the outcome of personal quarrels, many of them paltry and none justifying a resort to the so-called "unwritten law." The time appears ripe, says the Jersey City Journal, for legislative action on the part of the different states to curb the sale of deadly weapons to people who, by reason of their temperaments, ought not to be permitted to carry concealed implements of murder.

The sale of darning cotton is falling off, and the local manager of a big New York dry goods house says this is a sign of prosperity. The American woman, he declares, will not darn her own or anybody else's stockings more than once when she can afford to buy new ones, and in this view he is supported by the president of a New England thread mill, who has observed the fluctuations of the darning cotton trade. They undoubtedly slander American women by this assertion. Do not women darn their stockings, hard times or not, because they dislike to have holes in them? It is a point that ought to be settled.

### Condensed Report of the Week's Events—A Glimpse at the Happenings of Our Own Country and in Foreign Lands.

Peter F. Collier died suddenly in a New York club.

Mutiny has broken out on vessels of the French navy.

Friars Point, Miss., is fighting "blind tiger" saloons.

A movement is growing in Mississippi for good roads.

A monument to General Moor-man is to be erected at New Orleans.

Justice B. Hinley of Chicago, famous during the Civil War, is dead.

Russian troops are hurrying to the relief of foreigners at Tabriz, Persia.

Mrs. Mary N. Milliken was killed in an automobile accident at Pomona, Cal.

A monument to Gen. N. B. Forrest of Tennessee has been unveiled at Rome, Ga.

The sultan of Turkey is a prisoner in his palace, being besieged by Young Turks.

J. Mullen shot and killed Floyd Ketchum at Battle Creek, Mich., over a widow.

Ex-President Roosevelt arrived at the scene of his hunting camp at Kapita, Africa.

A special passenger rate has been announced by the railroads for the Confederate reunion at Memphis, Tenn.

A natural gas furnace in the home of F. C. Miller, a capitalist of Cincinnati, O., caused his death by exploding.

The battleship Mississippi has been ordered to arrive at the mouth of the Mississippi river not later than May 13.

An appeal is to be made to President Taft to intercede with European powers for the settling of the revolt in Turkey.

Senator Aldrich will propose an income tax commission, in an effort to defeat the income tax amendment to the tariff bill.

The three hundred and forty-fifth anniversary of the birth of William Shakespeare was celebrated at Stratford-on-Avon, England.

That J. Ogden Armour had taken up the wheat corner where "Wheat King" Patten left off was the report on the Board of Trade at Chicago.

A test of the Missouri option law is being made at Warrensburg, Mo. Serious trouble is feared in Egypt over some of the English government rulings.

A woman at Des Moines, Iowa, identified J. C. Mabry, held for race track swindling, as McCann, for whose murder in St. Louis four years ago "Lord" Barrington is serving a life term. The authorities discredit the identification.

The Senate finance committee agreed on a compromise between manufacturers of print paper and those who are demanding free pulp and reduced duties on paper. A continuance of the present rate of 15 per cent ad valorem on hides was decided upon. The House rates on steel rails probably will stand, and some protection will be afforded independent oil producers.

The department of agriculture has recently been calling attention to the fact that the hen is one of our surest as well as biggest wealth producers. All the years that we as Americans have been cultivating our cotton and our wheat, the hen has steadily kept pace with the march of the procession in annual agricultural products and last year she had to her credit more than \$600,000,000, the approximate value of the poultry and eggs produced on farms in 1908.

The International Law Society closed its third and most interesting annual session by re-electing Elihu Root as president and making President Taft honorary president of the organization.

The pope has condemned the suffragette movement.

Four persons perished in a hotel fire at Topeka, Kan.

John W. Parks, the famous anti-cigarette man, is dead.

Charles W. Stoddard, the California novelist, is dead.

Ex-President Castro of Venezuela arrived at Paris, France.

Three alleged "night riders" were acquitted at Ripley, Tenn.

It is said that Memphis, Tenn., has a population of 206,437.

A jail delivery occurred at Tunica, Miss. Five persons escaped.

The drink habit is said to be growing among women in Ireland.

The Russian government has sent an army into Persia to protect foreign interests.

Judge Phillips has dissolved the rate suit injunction against railroads at St. Louis.

Between 20,000 and 30,000 persons were killed in the massacre at Adana, Turkey.

An attempt was made to assassinate a priest at Newark, N. J. Anarchists are suspected.

Rural mail carriers are again required to count the number of pieces of mail handled by them.

The presiding elder of the Methodist church of Florence, Ala., has been given a handsome home.

The army of the Young Turks captured Constantinople after fierce fighting. The casualties will run up into the thousands.

Frederick Moore of New Orleans, a newspaper correspondent, was shot and seriously wounded during the fighting at Constantinople.

Waters-Pierce Oil Company has paid \$1,714,000 for breach of Texas state laws and has been debarred from business in that state.

Nineteen persons were drowned off Christiania, Norway, by the sinking of the Norwegian steamer Edith, after collision with the British steamer Oxford.

President Taft has been called upon to settle a row between Secretary Nagel of the Department of Commerce and Labor and Director North of the Census Bureau.

The state department has so far been unable to secure any information about the Misses Webb of Lafayette, La., who were reported to have been killed at Adana, Turkey.

A Federal jury in the libel case of Samuel Dempster of Pittsburg against Col. William D. Mann brought in a verdict in favor of the plaintiff for \$40,000 at Pittsburg, Pa.

The Daughters of the American Revolution have closed their eighteenth congress. The election throughout the entire ticket was the closest in the history of the organization.

Jeffries, across the footlights in a New York theater, told a howling audience that he would fight Johnson, defending his title as "undefeated heavyweight champion of the world."

A robber was shot and killed by Detective Prindiville of the Chicago and Great Western railroad in a desperate pistol duel on top of a moving freight train near Forest Home, Ill.

Addressing the Alabama Methodist Conference, in session at Evergreen, Ala., Bishop Warren Candler bitterly attacked John D. Rockefeller and Andrew Carnegie for what he termed their efforts by the use of money to control education in the South.

Florida took a long and unexpected step toward state-wide prohibition when the House of Representatives by an overwhelming vote adopted the McMullen joint resolution providing that in 1910 a constitutional amendment shall be submitted permitting the voters to decide whether they wish to have forever prohibited in the state of Florida the "manufacture, sale, exchange and barter of all intoxicating liquors and beverages."

Mangum, Okla., had a \$70,000 fire this week.

The Colima volcano in Mexico is in violent eruption.

Great Britain and Russia have decided to intervene in Persia.

Gasoline motor cars are being used on the Santa Fe railroad.

Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt has arrived at Mombasa, Africa.

H. C. Baskerville, an American missionary, was killed at Tabriz, Persia.

President Taft is to investigate the rate wars among the western railroads.

New York dressmakers are accused of being engaged in the smuggling trade.

Cleveland Russ was acquitted of the murder of Jerry Bigford, at Whiteville, N. C.

The sugar schedule in the tariff bill is being discussed by the Washington newspapers.

A bitter fight is expected in the Senate over an income tax amendment to the tariff bill.

The largest steel plant ever erected in the South is to be built at an early date in Memphis.

A test of the Federal nine-hour law for telegraph operators is being made in the supreme court.

A woman leaped from a steamer and suicided shortly after it reached Norfolk from Richmond.

Ten thousand persons were killed during the massacres in the Adana and Tarsus districts, Persia.

A negro suspected of the murder of J. B. McClurkin, near Anniston, Ala., is guarded by the militia.

Honolulu will celebrate the approaching visit of ex-Vice President Fairbanks in an elaborate fashion.

Two young boys victims of the dime novel habit have been sent to the Illinois penitentiary for burglary.

Wall street is handling the commissions of a New York syndicate on American horses at English tracks.

Turkey is on the verge of a bloody civil war. The sultan has succeeded in causing dissension among the Young Turks.

A telegram from Smyrna, Asiatic Turkey, declares that Andre Kossiss Effendi, prince of Samos, has been murdered.

Chester Jordan, an actor, charged with killing his wife and dismembering her body, went to trial at Cambridge, Mass.

Count Hermann Scherr-Thoss will wed the daughter of Andrew White, American ambassador to France, April 28.

The Mississippi Sunday School Association convened at Jackson, features being a street parade and a choir of forty voices.

Five men were drowned by the sinking of the steamer Eber Ward, which collided with an ice floe near Mackinaw City, Mich.

Earl P. Adams, an actor, was shot and killed at Jacksonville, Fla., by Miss Jessie Brown, whom he jilted to marry another girl.

The Interstate Commerce Commission ordered railroad rates on fertilizer reduced from Shreveport, La., to points in Arkansas.

Congressman Helm of Kentucky has introduced a resolution in the House providing for the annexation of Cuba by the United States.

The wife of ex-President Castro of Venezuela is still on the steamer Guadeloupe and will return to Europe, to join her exiled husband.

Independent oil producers of the country met at Washington and outlined plans for their fight against freed petroleum, which they claim would put them out of business, preparatory to a hearing before the Senate finance committee.

B. Newman, one-legged, with pockets full of bank notes raised from \$2 to \$20, was arrested at Jacksonville, after successfully scattering his magnified money through central and south Mississippi, getting the change every time.

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## PUBLISHER'S NOTICE.

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## Gave Away Her Boy.

Destitute and ill, and living on the charity of the carnival people, a pale-cheeked and thin-clad little woman gave all that was dear to her into the hands of others in Crockett last week. This would sound terrible if it happened in San Antonio or Houston, but it happened right here in Crockett last week and almost within a stone's throw of four churches. The pale little woman, having become too emaciated to longer earn her own living and fearing to become a burden on the charity of her profession, gave her three and a half year old son, J. B. McLean, to Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Miller, and with tearful eyes and a prayerful heart kissed the little fellow an affectionate mother's farewell. This little woman, with a sad face and a sadder heart, followed the carnival out of town. She cannot live long. Then a merciful God will bestow the charity that was the neglect of others, and the neglect of others will become their burden in the day of reckoning.

J. B. McLean is a bright-eyed, bright-haired little fellow, and Mr. and Mrs. Miller say they would not part with him under any circumstances. They are fond of him and propose to give him a home and an education.

Since writing the above, the Courier learns that the little woman did not leave town with the carnival company, but is being cared for by Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Kent as an act of charity. During the week she frequently sat on the curbing in front of his store, and Mr. Kent, feeling sorry for her, sent her to his home to be cared for. The christian ministers of the city, hearing of the woman's condition, took up a collection for her Thursday, their purpose being to send her to an asylum for the destitute. If you have not already contributed, see any christian minister of the city and do so right away.

## She Made Him Laugh.

Hamilton Brown Shoe Co.'s American Gentleman was in Crockett Monday. He had advertised that he would give an American Lady Shoe to the first woman or girl making him laugh and the prize was won by a Crockett girl. The American Gentleman appeared on the streets of the city all the afternoon and for a long time it seemed that the shoes would go begging. All kinds of tricks were worked on the gentleman, but his countenance remained unchanged. Finally Miss Lizzie Pritchard, about 17 years old, pretty and full of fun, approached the gentleman and tickled him under the chin. That was just a little more than any man could stand without changing countenance. This gentleman was no more than any other man and a smile overspread his face from ear to ear. His smile turned into a laugh and he seemed to be glad that the young girl had won the American Lady shoes.

Some excellent street work is being done in Crockett by the city. The Courier is glad to note that the work is not confined to the streets, but is being extended to the sidewalks.

## NEW DEPOT ASSURED.

### An \$8000 Passenger Station for Crockett—The Plans Have Been Passed Upon.

After twenty years of incessant toil toward securing a more commodious passenger station for the people of Houston county, the Courier is gratified to state that its efforts have at last availed something and that a new and handsomer structure will take the place of the old one. The movement was inaugurated by the Courier while under the guidance of W. B. Page and has been continued by the present editor. Strange as it may seem, the Courier has met with some opposition at home in its struggle for a new depot; and stranger as it may seem, this very opposition has come from the business interests of the town—from the very men who should have been foremost in promoting the scheme. They did not oppose a better depot, but they could not see where it would help them individually and it might help their competitor, therefore they preferred to take no action. Let the railroad people come to us, they said. But the Courier is glad to say that this class is in the minority in Crockett and is getting smaller and smaller every day, and the Courier hopes to see the day when the last one of them will be crowded out of the town and out of the way of those imbued with that keen spirit of progress so characteristic of our twentieth century. The public leach is as much a detriment to a town as is the public knocker.

Those interested in a new depot have not only spent their time, but have spent money, in their efforts to better the facilities accorded the travelling public of Houston county. Personally, they have nothing to gain—nothing more than any other man, woman or child in Houston county. What they have spent will accrue to the general good and all will alike reap the benefits.

To the end that some understanding might be brought about between Crockett and the railroad company, it was agreed that the editor of the Courier should go to Houston in person, at his own expense, and arrange for a conference between Crockett citizens and Judge T. J. Freeman, the receiver for the International and Great Northern Railroad company. In accordance with this agreement, the Courier editor went to Houston Friday and arranged with Judge Freeman for the conference to be held on Saturday morning following. W. B. Page and Will McLean took Friday night's train and were in Houston Saturday morning. The conference was held as agreed upon. Judge Freeman gave every assurance that construction would begin at an early date. The building will be modern in every respect, containing all the necessary appointments and conveniences—lavatories, checking rooms, etc. It will cost about \$8000, the engineer's plans having been already submitted and accepted, and will be beautifully finished. Judge Freeman will himself select the paint colors, and he has some new and pleasing ideas along this line. With the exception of replacing the track from Conroe to Houston, the Crockett depot is the biggest piece of work undertaken by the I. & G. N. for this year. The plans were shown to the committee and they met with the committee's approval except as to a few minor details. The exact location of the new station is yet to be decided upon.

Judge Freeman has promised to

visit Crockett at an early day and will then confer with our citizens in regard to the location of the new depot. The Courier would suggest the appointment of a committee to meet him on his arrival, extend to him the hospitalities of the city and arrange for some public demonstration expressive of the city's appreciation of and attitude toward his successful and brilliant administration of the railroad's affairs.

In regard to location, the Courier would favor placing the new depot between the two present depots and opening up a new street across to an intersection with the main street at Jeff Sims' residence, thus doing away with that dangerous approach at the present passenger depot.

## PROPOSED AMENDMENT to the State Constitution Authorizing Cities and Towns with a Population in Excess of 5,000 to be Incorporated by Special Act.

### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION No. 6. Joint Resolution to amend Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution of the State, authorizing cities and towns within the State of Texas to be incorporated by special act where the population exceeds five thousand inhabitants.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, be amended so that the same shall hereafter read and be as follows:

Sec. 4. Cities and towns having a population of five thousand or less may be chartered alone by general law. They may levy, assess and collect an annual tax to defray the current expenses of their local government, but such tax shall never exceed for any one year one-fourth of one per cent, and shall be collectible only in current money, and all licenses and occupation taxes levied and all fines, forfeitures, penalties and other dues accruing to cities and towns shall be collectible only in current money.

Sec. 5. Cities having more than five thousand inhabitants may have their charters granted or amended by special act of the Legislature and may levy, assess and collect such taxes as may be authorized by law, but no tax for any purposes shall ever be lawful for any one year which shall exceed two and one-half per cent of the taxable property of such city; and no debt shall ever be created by any city or town unless at the same time provision be made to assess and collect annually a sufficient sum to pay the interest thereon and create a sinking fund of at least two per cent thereon.

Sec. 2. That the above and foregoing proposed amendment shall [be] duly published once a week for four weeks commencing at least three months before a special election to be held for the purpose of voting upon such proposed amendment on the first Tuesday in August, 1909, in one weekly newspaper of each county in the State of Texas in which such a newspaper may be published, and the Governor be, and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this proposed amendment to the qualified electors for members of the Legislature.

At such election all persons favoring such amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution," and those opposed thereto shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Article 11, Sections 4 and 5, of the Constitution."

Sec. 3. That \$5000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary, be and the same is hereby appropriated out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, to defray the expenses of advertising and holding the election provided for above.

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RESOURCES.	
Loans and Discounts	\$347,298.50
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1,987.07
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
Bonds, Securities, etc.	77,301.00
Other real estate owned	19,000.00
Due from National Banks not reserve agents	2,447.97
Due from State Banks and Bankers	1,565.58
Due from approved reserve agents	37,812.28
Checks and other cash items	1,162.38
Notes of other National Banks	500.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	1,376.60
Lawful money reserve in bank, viz: Specie	\$17,264.25
Legal tender notes	2,000.00
	19,264.25
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer, 5 per cent of circulation	4,400.00
Total	\$614,065.63
LIABILITIES.	
Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	30,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	19,029.90
National Bank notes outstanding	99,400.00
Due to State Banks and Bankers	24,731.09
Individual deposits subject to check	295,428.17
Demand certificates of deposit	2,673.00
Time certificates of deposit	22,097.11
Cashier's checks outstanding	706.36
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	20,000.00
Total	\$614,065.63
State of Texas, County of Houston, ss: I, Arch Baker, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.	
ARCH BAKER, Cashier.	
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 28th day of May, 1909.	
H. J. ARLEDGE, Notary Public.	
Correct—Attest: H. F. MOORE, JNO. B. SMITH, JAS. S. SHIVERS, Directors.	

## Notice of Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Houston County, on the 23 day of April, A. D. 1909, in the case of J. H. Gorman et al versus D. K. Chenoweth et al, No. 5103, and to me, as sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 23 day of April, A. D. 1909, and will between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on the first Tuesday in June, A. D. 1909, it being the 1st day of said month, at the Court House door of said Houston County, in the city of Crockett, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which D. K. Chenoweth and A. K. Fretz had on the 26th day of February A. D. 1906, or any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property to wit: The B. F. McQueen 120 acres preemption survey, situated in Houston County, Texas, about 6 1/2 miles north of Crockett, and being the same land conveyed to A. K. Fretz by B. F. McQueen and wife, on March 2nd 1906, recorded in book 41 page 10, Houston County deed records to which reference is hereby made for description. Also all

the right, title and interest which A. K. Fretz had on the 29th day of February A. D. 1908, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described five tracts of land to-wit:

First Tract. 40 acres of land in Houston County, Texas, about five miles north of Grapeland, a part of the Z. W. Dillard 160 acres survey, and being the same land conveyed by J. S. Caskey and wife to A. K. Fretz, by deed dated December 20th 1907, recorded in book 51 page 4, Houston County deed records to which reference is here made for description.

Second Tract. 100 acres of land situated in Houston County, Texas, about 12 miles N W of the city of Crockett, a part of the J. D. Williams survey, and being the same land conveyed by A. L. Zachary, Jr. to A. K. Fretz, on the 17th day of December A. D. 1907, recorded in book 51 page 5, Houston County deed records to which reference is hereby made for description, and being the first tract described in said deed.

Third Tract. 100 acres of land, a part of the said J. D. Williams survey, situated about 12 miles N W of Crockett in Houston County, Texas, and being fully described in a deed from A. L. Zachary, Jr., to A. K. Fretz, on December 17th, 1907, recorded in book 51 page 5, and being the second tract described in said deed, to which reference is hereby made for description.

Fourth Tract. 109 acres of land situated in Houston County, Texas, about 15 miles north of Crockett, a part of the J. de J. Procolla league of land, and being the same 109 acres conveyed by A. L. Brown and wife to A. K. Fretz on the 18th day of December A. D. 1907, of record in book 50 page 236, Houston County deed records to which reference is hereby made for description.

Fifth Tract. 55 acres of land, situated in Houston County, Texas, about 15 miles north of Crockett, a part of the J. de J. Procolla league, and being the same 55 acres of land conveyed by A. L. Brown and wife to A. K. Fretz on December 18th, A. D. 1907, recorded in book 50 page 236 Houston County deed records to which reference is hereby made for description.

Said first described tract of 120 acres being levied on as the property of D. K. Chenoweth and A. K. Fretz, and said last described five tracts of land being levied on as the property of A. K. Fretz to satisfy a judgment amounting to the sum of \$745.30 with interest thereon from March 9th 1909 at the rate of 10 per cent per annum and all costs of suit.

Given under my hand this 24 day of April A. D. 1909.

John C. Lacy,  
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