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MEXICANS TO SEE NEFF INAUGURATED

Officials and Dignitaries Arrange Trip to Texas.

Waco, Texas, Jan. 6.—Between twenty-five and thirty officials and high dignitaries of Mexico, including three governors, will attend the inauguration of Governor-elect Pat M. Neff of Waco, which takes place in Austin on Jan. 18. While in Mexico last month with the delegation from the Laredo Chamber of Commerce to attend the inauguration of President Alvaro Obregon, the latter assured Mr. Neff that he would attend the inauguration of Texas' executive. The health of President Obregon is such at this time that his physician has insisted that he take a complete rest. In a letter received by Mr. Neff from President Obregon, regret is expressed by the head of the Mexican republic because he can not keep his promise, but he has named, he says, a delegation, members of which will be present at the inaugural ceremonies as the official representatives of Mexico.

Mr. Neff has been advised that the following governors will attend his inauguration: Porfirio G. Gonzales of Monterey, governor of the state of Nuevo Leon, with his personal staff of seven members; Luis Guterrez of Saltillo, governor of the state of Coahuila, with nine delegates, three representing the state, three the municipality, and three the Chamber of Commerce; Cesar Lopez de Lara, governor of Tamaulipas, with his adjutant.

NO DANGER OF OVERPRODUCTION

In presenting the many advantages of dairying to our farmers quite frequently one of them will reply by saying that it looks all right at this time, but what will happen when the farmers generally take to it and the production is largely increased? Won't there be a big drop in the price of butter fat, so much so that the profit will disappear?

This apprehension on the part of some farmers probably keeps them from engaging in the work. At least it furnishes a self-satisfying excuse for not undertaking the problem. Frequently we see fresh evidence that the supply of dairy butter never equals the demand, and that conditions are such when fully understood as to preclude any possibility of fear from overproduction.

The latest evidence of this comes from an editorial in the last issue of Farm and Ranch, one of the most reliable sources of information in regard to agricultural affairs we have in this country. Under the heading "No Over-Production of Butter" the article reads: "A news dispatch recently announced weekly imports of butter from Denmark of 500,000 pounds. Another item announces the probability that Denmark will ship fifty million pounds of butter to the United States during the year 1921.

* There are two reasons, the

article continues, why Denmark finds such a good market for its dairy products in the United States. One, and it is most important, is that the Denmark product is uniform in quality and far superior to the average butter produced in this country. The other is found in the fact that notwithstanding our many advantages for producing butter and cheese we fail to produce enough to satisfy the domestic demand.

Denmark is a little country bordering the North and Baltic seas and has an area of approximately 15,000 square miles, about equal to fifteen average counties of Texas. Their fields are mere garden spots and much of their feed stuffs are imported, some of it from our own southern states in the form of cotton seed and meal. Yet this little spot of territory, besides producing large quantities of food, also produces enough butter for home consumption; enough additional for large demands from other European countries and then sends fifty million pounds of butter annually to butter the bread of the people of the United States.

In view of these facts can any one say "there is any danger of over-production of dairy products in this country?"

Does this not suggest a new line of thought to the one-crop farmers in Texas? We are sure that it is doing this very thing right here in Houston county, and from the satisfactory results that are being obtained in this vicinity, dairying is growing in popularity steadily and would develop much faster if some assistance in the shape of personal direction and in some cases a little financial assistance could be temporarily extended. The secretary extends the most cordial welcome to all who are interested enough to call at the Club rooms to talk the matter over.

Garden Truck.

Our article last week on the subject of trying to grow garden truck in quantities sufficient for car load shipment and creating a situation that would attract buyers and guarantee satisfactory prices has attracted much attention, and many farmers have called during the past week to talk the matter over and get more information on the subject. All are willing to give the problem a try out and just want to be told how and when. The situation is up to the man who will take the lead as director of activities and carry the season through in a systematic manner. Some man who understands the purchase of seed, planting and cultivating, and then harvesting and selling at profitable prices, is the man needed for the job, and he must be allowed to make money enough out of the employment to pay him well for his time and trouble.

A recent dispatch to the Houston Post from Georgetown, Texas, gives some idea of the value of this trucking business to a community when properly conducted. The correspondent states that one of the largest produce dealers of Georgetown reported that he had just closed his books for 1920 and the figures showed that he had paid out to the farmers and their wives in the Georgetown trade territory over three hundred thousand dollars for produce and poultry. This included butter, eggs and cream. This can be duplicated right here in the Crockett trade territory.

H. A. Fisher, Secretary.

STRICT TICK LAWS MAY BE ENFORCED

Inspector at Houston Expects Legislature to Take Up Problem.

Houston, Texas, Jan. 6.—That the next session of the Texas legislature will take steps to more rigidly enforce the tick eradication and quarantine laws with a view to making the state tick free, is the opinion of Ed F. Pickering, chief tick inspector for the United States bureau of animal industry, with headquarters in Houston.

Mr. Pickering also declared that with adequate funds provided for this purpose and with the unanimous co-operation of people, Texas could be made free from ticks within six months from the time of completing dipping vats throughout the infested areas sufficient to make the requirements.

Mr. Pickering pointed out the great disadvantages under which the department works where there is not hearty co-operation in carrying out the laws already on the statute books, particularly with reference to the operation of state laws, as federal officers are limited in the enforcement of laws other than those affecting interstate movements of cattle.

The opposition of many stock raisers in the southeastern portion of the state to the enforcement of the tick eradication laws, Mr. Pickering said, works a decided hardship upon those who are willing to co-operate in freeing the country from ticks, since the infested cattle of one man unwilling to co-operate will infect the cattle of his neighbors who are trying to rid the county of ticks. This state of affairs also works a hardship on the state, he said, as there is already a movement started by some adjoining states to quarantine against Texas cattle.

The fact that two-thirds of Texas is tick free, approximately one-third of which has been made so by tick eradication work, leads to the conclusion that cattlemen of these free sections will rise up and demand a more rigid enforcement of the laws in Texas, Mr. Pickering said, and already there has been expressions from state legislators to the effect that this matter will be given attention.

Longview to Get Big Steel Works.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 4.—A corporation with a proposed capital stock of \$10,000,000, which will be formed to merge the interests of the Texas-Louisiana Steel Corporation, is in process of formation and the charter will be shortly filed in the state department, according to L. P. Featherstone of Longview, who was here conferring with the state department relative to the filing of the articles of incorporation.

Featherstone stated that the organization of the company is about completed and includes considerable eastern capital. He has just returned from the east on this proposition.

It is proposed to first organize holding company for the purpose of placing under its ownership the iron ore, coking coal, manganese, limestone necessary for production of pig iron, steel cotton ties, concrete construction

rods and other forms of commercial steel.

Featherstone stated the iron holdings best pitted and analyzed measure 58,284,380 tons of 52 per cent average metallic content, and while the manganese has not been so accurately measured, it is estimated at 2,300,000 tons. These holdings are owned by the incorporators of the proposed company and are ready to be transferred.

The new company's headquarters are to be at Longview and it is planned to erect the plant in the heart of the ore beds 40 miles north of Longview, the furnace to have capacity of 500 tons, Mr. Featherstone said.

Women Are Barred From Using "Worldly Powder Puff."

Zion, Ill., Jan. 7.—Hereafter women in the Zion Tabernacle will appear with unpowdered noses or Overseer Voliva will lecture them and slap their faces. The solemn edict was delivered today.

"The tabernacle is not a boudoir," the overseer proclaimed. "The use of the worldly puff is a violation of the sanctity of God's house. I have seen women right in this tabernacle dabbing away with powder puffs barefacedly. It is a sacrilege and disgrace."

Overseer Voliva demonstrated. He went through all the movements incident to the removal of polish from the human proboscis.

"I've seen women going through those contortions on trains and on street cars," he declared. "But you'll come here unpowdered and you'll cover your bodies as my grandmother covered hers or I'll lecture you and slap your faces instead of powdering them."

Cotton Goes to 15 Cents On Houston Exchange.

The upward trend in cotton prices which has been in effect since the first of the year began to assume very noticeable proportions when middling cotton was quoted at 15 cents Monday at the Houston Cotton Exchange. This is an advance of 2½ cents over the low mark of 12.50, which was reached December 29. The reaction upward has been much more rapid and steady than the period of decline that brought the price down to 12.50 cents. On December 10 middling in Houston was listed at 15 cents. It required a period of 19 days for the price to drop to 12.50. On the other hand, the advance which brought the price back to 15 cents has been in effect only 10 days. The advances have caused much optimism in cotton circles and cotton men hope to see cotton prices reach substantial levels.—Houston Post.

Rent, Fuel and Lights Cost More Than In June.

Washington, Jan. 9.—Expenditures of the average American family for rent, fuel and light not only resisted, but ran counter during the last six months of 1920 to the general tendency toward a lower level in prices, it was shown today in figures compiled by the department of labor's bureau of labor statistics.

The figures made public cover expenditures by average families in only nine cities—Baltimore, Cleveland, Chicago, Detroit, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Oakland and Seattle—but the wide territorial range was accepted as giving the figures more than local significance.

PLAN 3 MONTHS STAY AT AUSTIN

Plan on Foot to Enlarge Scope of State Railroad Commission.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 9.—Legislation restricting or prohibiting the colonization of Orientals in Texas, reapportionment of the senatorial and congressional districts of Texas, public utilities legislation and a revision of the State tax code, rank high among the most important bills to be presented at the thirty-seventh Texas legislature, which convenes Tuesday at noon, according to the vanguard of the Texas lawmakers which arrived in Austin last week.

Although there are numbers of leading lights in the legislature who claim that there will be no need for an extra session and the work can be concluded in the regular 60 days, the legislators of several sessions' experience are preparing for at least three months' stay at the Capital and a special session of the body.

Oriental Question Rises.

Although Senator W. H. Bledsoe of Lubbock county announced several weeks ago he would introduce a bill to at least restrict, if not prohibit, Oriental colonization in Texas, very little importance was attached to the bill by legislators here until recent developments with Japanese settlers in the Rio Grande valley section and the subsequent action by the various posts of the American Legion. It is now expected that legislation controlling Japanese colonization in Texas will cause considerable debate in both the house and the senate.

Representative Joe Burkett of Eastland has prepared a bill reapportioning the senatorial and congressional districts of Texas, in which Western Texas is to be given a more liberal representation.

Public Utilities Bill.

The public utilities bill to be introduced does not propose to create a new commission but to enlarge the scope of the railroad commission and to vest in that body the jurisdiction over public utilities of the State. Equalization of taxation and to levy on much property now escaping taxation is the gist of the tax bill to be presented by Representative John T. Smith of Travis county.

Protection of Texas farmers from inefficient cotton samplers, abolishment of the department of agriculture, allowing farmers to engage in collective bargaining, and general revision of the law creating the State highway department, constitute other bills to be introduced in the legislature.

No Contests.

It is apparent here that Charles G. Thomas of Denton will have no opposition as candidate for speaker of the house, according to various representatives. In the senate Lieutenant Governor Lynch Davidson will preside and a president pro tem will be elected.

The coming session will, on the whole, be of considerable interest to the people of the State on account of the number of important bills to be brought up before the lawmakers, according to the opinion of legislators here.

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LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

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Mr. H. F. Craddock has gone to Benford to reside.

F. G. Edmiston is transacting business in Louisiana.

Mrs. C. P. O'Bannon was a Galveston visitor this week.

Mayor C. L. Edmiston is on a business trip to north Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Milliff were visitors in Crockett Monday.

Mr. Sol Bromberg of Galveston was a visitor in Crockett Saturday.

Dr. A. H. Rosenthal is again in the city and is stopping at the Pickwick Hotel.

Miss Gladys Harrison returned last week from a visit with friends in Palestine.

Winchester Shells, Leader and Repeater, most any load you want at Jas. S. Shivers'. 3t.

Mr. and Mrs. Nugent Beazley of Port Arthur are visiting relatives and friends in Crockett.

J. A. Beathard Jr., who was visiting in Houston county last week, has returned to Dallas.

For Sale.

My home place in Crockett. It. Gaines Murchison.

Salesman Wanted for lubricating oils, greases and paints. Address Harvey Oil Co., Cleveland, Ohio. 1t*.

No use to hunt all over town for shells. We have them all the time. We sell Winchester of course. 3t. Jas. S. Shivers.

Real Estate and Loans.

See C. W. Jones, Crockett, Texas, office over Smith-Murchison Hardware Company. tf.

Plants for Sale.

Choice frost-proof cabbage plants—Early Flat Dutch, Early Jersey and Charleston Wakefield. Post paid, prompt shipment. One hundred, 35 cents; three hundred, \$1.00.

Jesse Barnes, Trinity, Texas. tf.

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THOS. B. COLLINS, AGENT CROCKETT, TEXAS.

For Rent.

A house for man and wife, or small family. tf. S. F. Tenney.

Mrs. Willis Higginbotham, after a pleasant visit with relatives and friends in Crockett, returned last week to her home in Stephenville.

For Sale.

Large kitchen range, practically new—only been in use a short time. Ring 273. It. Mrs. N. L. Asher.

Gone to Austin.

Hon. Charles Culberson Rice left Thursday for Austin, whither he goes to represent Houston county in the Texas legislature. He wants his Houston county friends to feel free to write him regarding any legislation they are interested in, he asked the Courier to state before leaving.

Financial Statement.

The financial statement of the First National Bank of Lovelady as published in this issue of the Courier reflects the healthy condition of that financial institution in our neighboring city to the south. This bank is only another one of the county's financial institutions making a good showing.

Married at Conroe.

Miss Leita Nichols of this city and Mr. Everett Pesel were married at Conroe Tuesday, January 4. Miss Nichols was recently employed by the telephone company at Trinity and her marriage came as a surprise to her many Crockett friends, who have been busy extending their best wishes.

Money Needed for Teachers.

The School Board respectfully requests that all who are due taxes to the Crockett District for 1920 come in at once and pay, as not enough money has come in so far to pay all of the teachers, and they are very much in need of their salaries now.

T. B. Collins, Collector. It. Crockett Ind. Sch. Dist.

Died of Pneumonia.

Aaron Vickery, a well-known farmer, died at his home in the Creath community Thursday, January 6, of pneumonia. He leaves the wife and a son; a brother, W. Vickery, and a half-brother, M. L. Goolsby of Collin county. Mr. Goolsby reached the bedside within fifteen minutes of his brother's death. The remains were interred at Weches, where the deceased was born and reared. Rev. W. H. Rosser conducted the religious service at the funeral.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to take this feeble means of expressing to our friends our deep appreciation of the many sympathetic courtesies shown us in our late trial, and pray that God may deal gently with each and every one.

Gratefully yours,
Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Hudson,
Mrs. Chesley Webb Hudson,
Mrs. Charles J. DeWitt. It.

First Methodist Church.

Services well attended at the Methodist church last Sunday. The music of the organist and choir was exceptionally fine. A free will offering of fifty dollars was given for the starving of China and the poor at home. Over two hundred at Sunday school. The school under the efficient leadership of L. L. Moore is doing good work. Subject next Sunday, "The greatest wireless system on earth." You should hear this sermon. Preaching at night by the pastor.

Hope for Many More.

The reception at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Denny Tuesday evening in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of Rev. S. F. Tenney's pastorate in Crockett was well attended and the occasion of many congratulations to the beloved pastor of a half century. Although in harness fifty years in Crockett, Mr. Tenney is yet the young and active pastor of the First Presbyterian church of this city, and it is the hope of his friends that he may yet see many years of continued usefulness.

Federal Land Bank Annual Meeting Postponed.

On account of inclement weather, the annual meeting of the Crockett National Farm Loan Association that was set for Tuesday, the 11th, it was decided to postpone the meeting until Saturday afternoon, the 15th, at two o'clock.

A full attendance is desired as matters of much importance are to be discussed and decided, in addition to the election of a board of directors and officers for the new year.

H. A. Fisher, Secretary-Treasurer. It.

Play Party.

On Wednesday night, January 5, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. O'Bannon entertained a crowd of jolly young folks with a play party. Many interesting games were played throughout the happy hours. Mrs. O'Bannon kept the Victrola playing for us. Delicious refreshments were served. Those present were: Misses Loretta and Emma Hallyard, Effie May Petty, Johnnie and Willie Dear, Reba Harkins, Sybil Towery, Olly Parker, Nannie B. Hatchell, John Etta Crenshaw and Ruth Jensen; Messrs. George Hallyard, Jim H. Sharp, Stanley Hall, Jim Beeson, Sharpy Hallyard, Griffin Clark and Henson Bynum. All report a very enjoyable time. Guest.

Truck Growers Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the farmers interested in truck growing at the Commercial Club Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, January 15. If sufficient interest is manifested at this meeting an organization will be perfected and the business of growing melons, cabbage, sweet potatoes and other crops, with a view of establishing a permanent business that should prove of much benefit to the community. There will be no trouble in getting buyers to visit Crockett in shipping season provided we grow in quantities sufficiently large and handle the matter in a business-like manner. Tell your neighbor about it and all of you come next Saturday.

H. A. Fisher, Secretary.

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Woman's Missionary Society.

The following are the newly elected officers of the Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church of Crockett for the coming year:

President, Mrs. E. A. Maness.
Vice president, Mrs. J. W. Madden.
Superintendent young people, Mrs. Joe Adams.
Superintendent children, Mrs. Chas. Sexton.
Superintendent study and publicity, Mrs. W. A. Norris.
Superintendent social services, Mrs. J. A. McConnell.
Superintendent supplies, Mrs. P. D. Austin.
Recording secretary, Mrs. C. E. Parker.
Corresponding secretary, Mrs. M. A. Thomas.
Treasurer, Mrs. G. H. Henderson.
Agent Missionary Voice, Mrs. T. J. Hairston.
Reporter, Mrs. I. A. Daniel.

The following poem on "The Things We Meant to Do" was contributed by Ruth King Daniel:

Oh the wonderful things that we meant to do,
In the days of the by-and-by,
And the numberless plans to achieve success,
And how bravely we meant to try!
Oh the loving letters we meant to write,
To the friends of our yester-years,
And the words of cheer that we meant to say,
To dispel their grief and tears,
And the days of service we meant to give
To the Master, some future time,
When a more convenient season arrive,
For our deeds of love sublime.
Oh, the wasted years, and the fruitless tears
That often bedim the eye!
When we think of the things we meant to do
In the days of the by-and-by.
There's never a time like the glad today,
Life's worthwhile things to do.
There's a bridge of sighs that spans the skies
Built of things we meant to do!

Looks Good to Him.

Happy, Texas, January 29.
Editor Courier,
Crockett, Texas.
Dear Sir:
Enclosed you will find \$1.50, for which you will please send me the "old reliable" for 1921. I love to get the news from my old home town and county. The Courier looks good to me out here in this pretty Panhandle country. This is a beautiful country and a fine climate. No

MONEY TO LOAN

BUY VENDOR LEIN NOTES.
AETNA LIFE INSURANCE.

B. B. WARFIELD

CROCKETT, TEXAS.

hot nights here—it gets very cold sometimes, but we have good, warm houses. This country has a large crop of wheat this year and is looking good. With best wishes for the Courier, its editor and its many readers, I beg to remain sincerely your friend,
J. A. Grounds.

International Harvester Company in the Race for Dairying.

The Crockett Courier, Crockett, Texas.

Dear Sir:
Please accept my sincere thanks for your courtesy to me when I was in Crockett. It is always gratifying to have the pleasure of talking to a responsive listener—especially one so interested in the affairs of the community as Mr. Aiken.

We are going to exert all of our energies, for a month or so, toward the end of increasing the dairying activities of Houston County, and in conjunction with Mr. Fisher, the Courier and other business people, we hope that we will be successful in attaining marked increases.

Of course, right now, the chief trouble is a financial one and it will require much missionary work with Crockett's business houses if we obtain the maximum cooperation. Before we start our campaign to eliminate their apparent indifference, it would make it easier if the Courier's columns announced the fact that the International Harvester Company had entered the race. Very truly yours,
International Harvester Company.

Houston, Texas, Jan. 7, 1921.

Tell him that you saw his ad in the Courier.



I DESIRE TO ANNOUNCE

To my patrons and the people of Houston county that I am again in Crockett and will remain until Monday

JANUARY 24

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We sell food that builds health, and it costs no more than the kind that breeds disease.

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WAR FINANCE BILL FINALLY MADE LAW

President Must Appoint Director
Before Loans Can Be
Made.

Washington, Jan. 4.—President Wilson will have to fill at least one of the two vacancies on the board of directors of the revived war finance corporation before it can make any considerable number of loans for financing exports with a view to affording relief to the farming and other industries. This statement was made by treasury officials today after the resolution directing revival of the corporation became a law through its passage by the house over the president's veto.

The vote in the house to pass the resolution over the president's veto was nearly as ample as that cast yesterday in the senate. The house stood 250 for the measure against 66 for upholding the veto; or 37 more than the required two-thirds majority. Seventeen democrats voted to sustain the veto while for its passage there were 135 republicans, 114 democrats and 1 prohibitionist.

Treasury officials, in further discussing adoption of the resolution, said that while the corporation would prepare to function immediately as a result of the action of congress, President Wilson would be required to appoint one or two new directors before anything much could be done.

The board of directors is composed of five members, and officials explained that a majority is required by law to approve the application for a loan. While the present board membership constitutes a quorum, officials asserted Secretary Houston, who is ex officio chairman, would not be able to devote his time exclusively to corporation matters, as the investigation of the adequacy of securities would require.

The other two directors, Angus W. McLean, who now is managing director, and George R. Cooksey, officials said, would thus be unable to act upon applications for loans.

Presidential nomination to the board requires confirmation of the senate majority and the question also arose as to whether the republicans of the senate would depart in such cases from the policy of confirming no nominations at the session.

Finance corporation officials

stated that in any event it probably would be two months before the first advance could be approved.

Funds for making the loans must be raised, officials explained, and the methods of providing this money determined upon. The corporation has a balance of about \$375,000,000 with the treasury, but Secretary Houston has taken the stand that this money should not be used for making advances to private concerns.

One Big, Long Toot for Grand Old Texas.

"Texas occupies all the continent of North America except the small part set aside for the United States and Canada. Texas owns all the north of the Rio Grande, the only dusty river in the world; also the only one with the possible exception of the Trinity which is navigable for mud cats and pedestrians.

"Texas is bounded on the north by twenty-five or thirty States, on the east by all the oceans in the world except the Pacific, and on the south by the Gulf of South America, and on the west by the Pacific Ocean, the milky way and on the sideral universe.

"If Texas were chopped off lose from the rest of the United States and the Panhandle it would float out into the ocean, as it rests upon a vast subterranean sea of fresh water.

"Texas is so big that the people in Brownsville call the Dallas people Yankees, and the citizens of El Paso sneer at the citizens of Texarkana, Texas, as being snobs from the effete East.

"It is one hundred and fifty miles farther from El Paso, Texas, to Texarkana, Texas than it is from Chicago to New York. Fort Worth is nearer St. Paul, Minn., than it is to Brownsville.

"The chief occupation of the people of Texas is trying to keep from making all the money in the world. The chief pursuit of the people of Texas was formerly Mexicans, but now it is land buyers, steers and Texas crop records.

"The United States with Texas off would look like a three-legged Boston terrier.

"Texans are so proud of Texas that they can not sleep at night. If a Texan's head should be opened the map of Texas would be found photographed on his brain. This is also true of his heart. Unless your front gate is eighteen miles from your front door you do not belong to society as constituted in Texas. Mrs. King's gate is one hundred and fifty miles from her front door and she is thinking of moving her house back so that she will not be annoyed by passing automobiles and peddlers.

"Other Texas landlords have whole mountain ranges and rivers on their ranches. One Texan has forty miles of navigable rivers on his farm. If the proportion of cultivated land in Texas were the same as in Illinois the value of Texas crops would equal that of the forty-seven other states.

"Texas has enough land to supply every man, woman and child in the world with a tract of five feet by twenty feet, and have enough left over for the armies of the world to march around the border five abreast.

"Texas grows enough alfalfa, which if baled and built into a stairway would reach to the pearly gates.

"If all the hogs in Texas were one big hog, he would be able to dig the Panama Canal in three roots.

"If all the Texas steers were one big steer, he would stand with his front feet in the Gulf of Mexico, one hind foot in Hudson Bay and the other in Arctic Ocean, and with his tail brush the mist from the Aurora Borealis. Some State!"—A Texas Visitor.

Farm Wanted: I want to hear from party having farm for sale. Give price and description. B. B. Howard, Champaign, Illinois. 3t.

SHALL WE MAKE THE LAST SURRENDER?

Editor Courier,
Crockett, Texas.

Dear Sir:

An organized effort is being made to have the coming session of the legislature pass a law taking from the Commissioners' Courts authority to fix values of property in their respective counties for tax purposes and place such authority with a State Board at Austin.

For many reasons I am opposed to this change. Those who advocate this law openly avow that more than one hundred agricultural counties of the state, one of which is my own, are, by reason of low values fixed by their local boards, not paying as much taxes as they should, and a State Board is advocated, in order to increase values and compel these "slacker" counties, as they call them, to contribute more in taxes toward the support of the state government.

This unjust charge is being circulated by an organization financed by a few large tax-payers in cities of the state who have been led to believe that they are paying more than their just proportion of state taxes, and that, under the operation of a State Board of Equalization, their own taxes will be reduced by compelling their less fortunate neighbors to make a larger contribution. Speaking for my own county, I have no fear of a comparison of values at which property is placed on the tax rolls with any of the counties from which this complaint is made. If property is escaping taxation in this state, it is not in the land and live stock and implements of the farmer. This character of property cannot be hidden from the tax assessor, and is always placed upon the tax rolls.

If these gentlemen are really interested in discovering, and placing upon the tax rolls, property that has heretofore escaped taxation, I would suggest that a fruitful field for their investigations would be in the matter of bank deposits, notes, bonds and other securities. When they have succeeded in having this character of property pay even in proportion to property in the hundred or more "slacker" counties, about which they seem so deeply interested, the funds of the state will be largely increased, and their yearnings for tax revision, in all probability, fully and completely satisfied.

In my opinion the people of the state have a right to expect a lightning, rather than an increase, of their taxes. Our farmers and stockmen are facing bankruptcy, and all classes of business have suffered a severe set-back on account of the price panic through which we are passing; and if there was ever a time that demanded strict economy in both public and private expenditures, that time is now.

I submit that the present system of local control over values commends itself on account of its convenience to the small as well as the large tax payer; the equalization board is composed of local citizens, who are familiar with values; it holds its sessions at the county court house, and the humblest taxpayer may, with small trouble and expense, meet them, and get relief, if his taxes are excessive. On the other hand, if we abolish our local boards and place these matters in the hands of a state board at Austin, the expense would be too great for the average tax-payer to protest the values fixed by this state board. In order to properly present such protest, a trip to Austin or the employment of an attorney would be necessary, and the expense, in either case, would likely be so great that the tax-payer would suffer injustice rather than incur it.

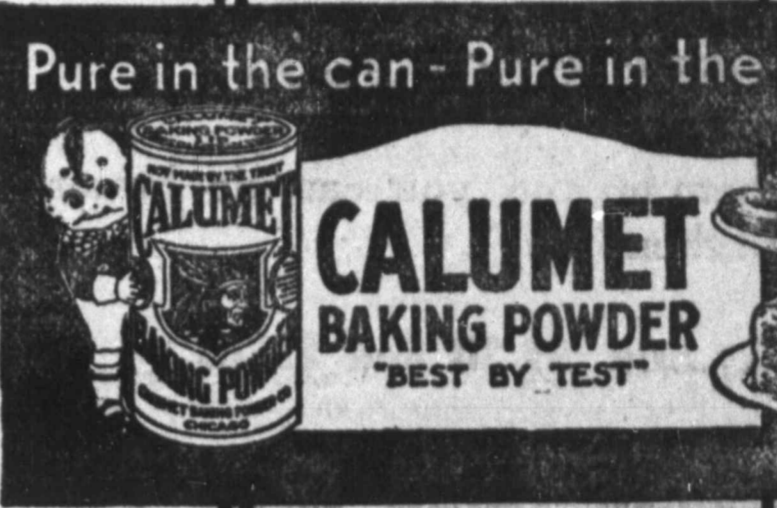
I make no claim that the work of our local boards is perfect;

WHAT you lose thru baking failure must be added to baking costs—it has to be paid for.

Calumet Baking Powder will save you all of that. Because when you use it—there are no failures—no losses. Every baking is sweet and palatable—and stays moist, tender and delicious to the last tasty bite.

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It is reasonable in cost and possesses more than the ordinary leavening strength. You pay less and use less. You get the most in purity, dependability and wholesomeness.

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Pound can of Calumet contains full 16 oz. Some baking powders come in 12 oz. instead of 16 oz. cans. Be sure you get a pound when you want it.

Calumet
Sunshine Cake
Recipe

1/2 cup of butter,
1 1/2 cups granulated sugar, 2 1/2 cups flour, 1 cup water, 2 level teaspoons Calumet Baking Powder, 1 teaspoon lemon, yolks of 9 eggs. Then mix in the regular way.

that they some times make mistakes in valuing property is well known to all of us; but I do contend that five local citizens are vastly better qualified to do this work for their own county than are three strangers to do it for two hundred and fifty-three different counties.

The amount of our state and county taxes is controlled in two ways, by the tax rate and the valuation placed on the property. Authority over values in the hands of local citizens and the power to fix the tax rate, within the limits of the constitution, controlled by state authorities, as is the case under our present system, would seem to be a fair division between local and state authorities over the tax payer, in determining the amount of taxes he should be called upon to pay. Under this arrangement the state, through its authority over the tax rate, is assured of sufficient revenue for its legitimate purposes; and the tax-payer, with authority over values in the hands of five of his neighbors, may reasonably expect that he will not be called upon for more in taxes than is necessary to maintain the government upon an economical basis.

Personally, I think we have gone far enough toward centralization of authority at Austin and Washington. Certainly, government by bureaus, boards and commission has not proven so attractive as to justify the people of Texas in surrendering to a board at Austin their present local control over this important matter of taxation.

Very truly yours,
John B. Burns,
County Judge, Shelby County, Texas.

NOTICE IN PROBATE.
THE STATE OF TEXAS,
To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County—Greeting:
You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of

Houston, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of twenty days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

NOTICE OF FILING ACCOUNT—ESTATES OF DECEDENTS.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To all Persons interested in the Estate of Hugh Goolsby, deceased.
You are hereby notified that B. B. Warfield, Administrator of said estate, has filed in the County Court of Houston County, Texas, his final account as such administrator, showing the condition of said estate and asking for a division and partition of the remainder of the property of said estate among the lawful heirs and distributees of said estate, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing the first Monday in February, A. D. 1921, at the Court House thereof, in the town of Crockett, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said account, should they see proper to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said Court this Writ, with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, this 31st day of December, A. D. 1920.

(Seal) W. D. Collins,
Clerk County Court, Houston County, Texas. 4t.

Million Packets Of Flower Seeds Free

We believe in flowers around the homes of the South. Flowers brighten up the home surroundings and give pleasure and satisfaction to those who have them.

We have filled more than a million packets of seeds, of beautiful yet easily grown flowers to be given to our customers this spring for the beautifying of their homes.

Wouldn't you like to have five packets of beautiful flowers free? YOU CAN GET THEM! Hastings' 1921 catalog is a 116-page handsomely illustrated seed book with twenty beautiful pages showing the finest varieties in their true natural colors. It is full of helpful garden, flower and farm information that is needed in every home, and, too, the catalog tells you how to get these flower seeds absolutely free.

Write for our 1921 catalog now. It is the finest, most valuable and beautiful seed book ever published, and you will be mighty glad you've got it. There is no obligation to buy anything. Just ask for the catalog.

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ATLANTA, GA.

A Tonic For Women

"I was hardly able to drag, I was so weakened," writes Mrs. W. F. Ray, of Easley, S. C. "The doctor treated me for about two months, still I didn't get any better. I had a large family and felt I surely must do something to enable me to take care of my little ones. I had heard of

CARDUI

The Woman's Tonic

"I decided to try it," continues Mrs. Ray. "I took eight bottles in all. I regained my strength and have had no more trouble with womanly weakness. I have ten children and am able to do all my housework and a lot outdoors. I can sure recommend Cardui."

Take Cardui today. It may be just what you need.
At all druggists.

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Stop Those Backaches!

Backaches often indicate kidney trouble. To stop them, put your kidneys and bladder in normal, healthy condition with HOBOKIDNEY & BLADDER Remedy. No other preparation acts

so quickly, surely or permanently. Hundreds have testified to this wonderful power. No alcohol, no harmful drugs. \$1.20 the bottle at all drug stores.

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HOBOKIDNEY & BLADDER Remedy

LAWS AFFECTING SCHOOLS ADVOCATED

Head of Texas Congress Mothers, Parent-Teachers Urges Action.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 1.—Mrs. S. M. N. Marrs of Austin, president of the Texas Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teachers associations, today addressed a communication to the local councils and parent-teacher associations throughout the State, advising of the activities of the association, and also proposed legislation affecting the schools that will come up for consideration at the coming session of the legislature.

The text of the communication follows:

In this my first communication I send you greetings for the New Year and wish for you and your organization all of the joy resulting from an earnest effort to advance the cause of child welfare—a cause which now engages the attention of every thinking man and woman throughout the world.

You will be happy to learn that through the courtesy of Miss Annie Webb Blanton, State superintendent of public instruction, headquarters for the congress hereafter will be in the state department of education. All official communications should be addressed, Texas Congress of Mothers and Parent-Teacher Associations, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas.

County Welfare Units.

The Texas Congress of Mothers, besides other measures, has agreed for this year to concentrate on the following departments: County organization, child hygiene, kindergarten and marriage sanctity. You are therefore requested to assist the State organization in every way possible to carry out the program as outlined. To further county organization it is suggested that your club organize and foster at least one Parent-Teacher association in a neighboring community and also cooperate with the county chairman in the organization of a county child welfare association in case no such organization has been effected in your county. The State chairmen of the child hygiene, kindergarten and marriage sanctity departments will be requested to furnish suitable program material to be used by the local organizations. This material should be ready for distribution by March 1 and may be obtained from the State headquarters.

Some important school legislation which will engage the attention of the coming session of the Texas legislature will include the county unit plan of administration, the English language law, the rural aid appropriation and the necessary legislation to put into effect the better school amendment. In addition to these measures the Texas congress of mothers will request definite legislation on child welfare, concerning which full information will be furnished later. Will you not appoint a special committee from your club to confer with your State representative and State senator with reference to these important measures?

It is also necessary that you familiarize yourselves with the legislative program outlined by the woman's division of the State labor department and use your influence for the passage of these measures, which are essential to the welfare of the women and children in industry, and this class constitutes no small part of our population in both the rural and the urban districts.

Payment of Poll Tax.

Another thing which we should urge at this time is the payment of poll taxes. If our women wish to have their in-

fluence felt in the affairs of the State, they must accept the responsibility that has been placed upon them in making them full-fledged citizens. During the month of January every parent-teacher association in the State should organize and carry on an active campaign and see to it that every woman in the community possesses herself with a poll tax receipt. Remember that \$1 of each poll tax belongs to the public school fund. Poll taxes must be paid before February 1, 1921.

Your attention is also directed to important national legislation now pending which has the endorsement and active support of the various women's organizations throughout the nation. The Congress of Mothers is especially interested in the passage of the Smith-Towner bill, the Sheppard-Towner bill, and the Fess bill, each of which bears directly upon child welfare.

The success of our work for the coming year will depend entirely upon the support and cooperation which I feel sure you and your organization will give me, and I wish to assure you that I shall put forth every effort to serve you in promoting the great cause in which we have enlisted.

Income Tax In a Nutshell.

Who? Single persons who had net income of \$1,000 or more for the year 1920; married couples who had net income of \$2,000.

When? March 15, 1921, is the final date for filing returns and making first payments.

Where? Collector of Internal Revenue for district in which the person resides.

How? Full directions on Form 1040A and Form 1040; also the law and regulations.

What? Four per cent normal tax on taxable income up to \$4,000 in excess of exemption. Eight per cent normal tax on balance of taxable income. Surtax from 1 per cent to 65 per cent on net incomes over \$5,000.

NOTICE TRUSTEE SALE.

The State of Texas, County of Houston. Whereas by virtue of authority vested in me as trustee in a certain deed of trust, recorded in Vol 18 on page 555 record of real estate mortgages of Houston county, Texas, executed and delivered to me on the 6th day of April, 1920, by David Handy, for better securing the payment of one promissory note for the sum of \$35.00, more fully described in said deed of trust, executed by said David Handy payable to the order of J. B. Ellis and endorsed without recourse by said J. B. Ellis, and now the property of Peyton Tunstall, payable at Crockett, due 90 days after date thereof, and on to wit the 5th day of July, 1920, bearing interest at 10 per cent per annum from maturity, and providing that if said note is not paid when due to pay all costs of collection including ten per cent for attorneys fees.

And, whereas, the said Peyton Tunstall is the holder and owner of said note, which is credited with the sum of \$15.75 of date October 4, 1920, and \$4.25 of date October 5th, 1920, and the said David Handy having made default in the payment of said note, and the same is now past due, except the above mentioned credits, and the principal, interest and attorneys fees now aggregating the sum of \$20.10; and whereas I have been requested by the said Peyton Tunstall to enforce said trust, I will offer for sale, between the legal hours thereof, to wit, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. at public auction, to the highest bidder, on the first Tuesday in February, A. D. 1921, the same being the 1st day of said month, at the court house door in the town of Crockett, in Houston County, Texas, the following described real estate, to wit: situated in Houston county, and being a part of the Collin Aldrich league, about 8½ miles S W from Crockett, on the San Antonio road, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at the N E corner of the Tunstall tract, a P O 36 (dead and down) brs N 60 E 3 vrs, two hickories also mkd X for witness trees. Thence N 35 W with Goolsby fence about 400 feet to the San Antonio road. Thence S W with said road 173 feet to where Lee Hally's fence comes to the road. Thence S 35 E with Lee Hally's fence 405 feet to Tunstall's N B line. Thence N E with Tunstall's line 173 feet to the place of beginning and containing 1 6-10 acres of land, more or less, same being situated on the S side of the San Antonio road, with all the rights and appurtenances thereto in any wise belonging.

Witness my hand this 31st day of December, A. D. 1920.
3t. A. W. Ellis, Trustee.

CUT COTTON COST BY MAKING FOOD

Southern Farm Prosperity Absolutely Dependent on Cutting Production Cost.

Atlanta, Ga., Jan. 5.—“A right-about-face movement in 1921 is necessary if the farmers of the South are to get on safe, firm ground again,” said H. G. Hastings, President of the great Southeastern Fair.

“It looks as if we all went cotton crazy last spring, despite all the danger signals flying and the disregard of plain facts as to costs of cotton production. We have repeated our follies of 1911 and 1914 and piled up debts based on costly food and grain to be paid for by cotton that is now below cost of production.

“With few exceptions those items of food and grain could and should have been produced on home acres at one-third to one-half what the supply merchant charges for them.

“Cotton is the one best money crop for the South, and probably always will be. The time of war prices is over and the problem from now on is to lower cost of production and at the same time afford the cotton grower a fair profit.

“Cost of making cotton is primarily the cost of food, grain and forage for the farmer, his family, his laborers or tenants, and his work stock. Cutting food, grain and forage costs by home production will reduce cotton costs from one-third to one-half.

“Plant for an abundance of food, grain and forage, thus cutting down store bills, and the lower prices for cotton will not hurt so much. We cannot, with European countries so thoroughly disorganized, reasonably expect high prices for cotton for several years and we must make cotton at lower cost, or else quit cotton growing.

“Most of us cannot quit cotton, hence the absolute necessity of food, grain and forage planting in 1921—the making on home acres of every pound of food and grain needed to see us through.

“In this food production program, take the home vegetable garden seriously. Give the home garden a square deal and it will surprise you in the amount of healthful food produced. It takes the least ground, can be planted the earliest, brings quick returns and if kept replanted and worked will stay by you all the season through.”

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To the Sheriff or any Constable of Houston County—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to cause the following notice to be published in a newspaper of general circulation which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year preceding the date of the notice in the County of Houston, State of Texas, and you shall cause said notice to be printed at least once each week for the period of ten days exclusive of the first day of publication before the return day hereof:

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, To all Persons interested in the Estate of Mattie Denny, deceased. Anna Denny has filed in the County Court of Houston County, an application for the probate of the last will and testament, and the codicil thereto, of the said Mattie Denny, deceased, filed with said will and codicil, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing the first Monday in February, A. D. 1921, at the Court House thereof, in the town of Crockett, at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, But have you then and there before said Court this Writ, with your return thereon endorsed, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at my office in Crockett, Texas, December 31st, A. D. 1920.
(Seal) W. D. Collins, Clerk County Court, Houston County, Texas.
3t. By W. M. Porter, Deputy.

LOANS ON FARMS

LANDS BOUGHT AND SOLD

J. S. FRENCH

Crockett, Texas

Baker Theatre

CHANGE OF PROGRAM EVERY DAY

MATINEE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY THIS WEEK

WHAT DID YOU MAKE IN 1920?

Uncle Sam Begins Collection of Federal Income Tax for Last Year.

Work has begun on the collection of the income tax for the year 1920. Uncle Sam, through the Bureau of Internal Revenue, is addressing to every person in the United States the question, “What was your net income for 1920?” The answer permits of no guesswork. Every single person whose net income for 1920 was \$1,000 or more and every married person whose net income was \$2,000 or more is required to file a return under oath with the collector of internal revenue for the district in which he lives on or before March 15, 1921.

The penalty for failure is a fine of not more than \$1,000 and an additional assessment of 25 per cent of the amount of tax due. For willful refusal to make a return the penalty is a fine of not more than \$10,000 or not exceeding one year's imprisonment, or both together with the costs of prosecution. A similar penalty is provided for making a false or fraudulent return, together with an additional assessment of 50 per cent of the amount of tax evaded.

Women Must Pay Tax.

The income tax applies to women as well as men. Husband and wife must consider the income of both plus that of minor dependent children, and if the total equals or exceeds \$2,000 a return must be filed. A minor

who has a net income in his own right of \$1,000 or more must file a separate return. To be allowed the \$2,000 exemption a married person must be living with husband or wife on the last day of the taxable year, December 31, 1920. Divorcees, persons separated by mutual agreement, widows and widowers, unless they are the sole support of others living in the same household, in which case they are allowed the \$2,000 exemption granted the head of a family, are entitled only to \$1,000 exemption.

Tax Rate for 1920.

The normal tax rate for 1920 is the same as for 1919—4 per cent on the first \$4,000 of net income above the exemption and 8 per cent on the remaining net income. This applies to every citizen and resident of the United States. In addition to the normal tax a surtax is imposed upon net income in excess of \$5,000.

Full instructions for making out returns are contained on the forms, copies of which may be obtained from collectors of internal revenue. Persons whose net income for 1920 was \$5,000 or less should use Form 1040A. Those with incomes in excess of \$5,000 should use Form 1040.

Revenue officers will visit every county in the United States to assist taxpayers in making out their returns. The date of their arrival and the location of their offices will be announced by the press or may be ascertained upon inquiry at the offices of collectors. This advisory service is without cost to taxpayers.

Tell him that you saw his ad in the Courier.

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County Agent for Houston County to sell direct to farmers, full line Farm Implements, Farm Lighting Plants, Farm Wagons, Log Wagons, Tractors, etc. Agent must have Ford car and furnish good references. This proposition is for immediate acceptance.

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