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WE WISH TO THANK THE PEOPLE WHO

HAVE TRADED WITH US, FOR THE LIBERAL patronage they have bestowed upon us during the few short months we have been in business. We especially desire to express our appreciation for the way you have attended our GREAT JUNE CLEARING SALE, which comes to a close Saturday, June 30. This sale has been a success from the first day until the last far exceeding even our fondest hopes regarding it.

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STAMFORD, - TEXAS

THE METHODIST COLLEGE.

We learned from some of the delegates who attended the annual conference of the Abilene district of the M. E. Church, South, at Anson last week that action on the matter of locating the proposed college was postponed and that a committee selected from different points in the district was appointed to receive the proposals of the competing towns and award the location of the college.

The conference to facilitate prompt action, designated five persons at each competing town, who are to become the board of trustees for the college in the event of its location at one of said places prior to the next meeting of the conference. Those named as such board at Haskell are H. G. McConnell, F. G. Alexander, P. D. Sanders and S. W. Scott.

The conference chose Haskell for the place of its next annual meeting.

Death From Lockjaw

never follows an injury dressed with Bucklen's Arnica Salve. Its anti-septic and healing properties prevent blood poisoning. Chas. Oswald, merchant, of Hensselaersville, N. Y., writes: "I cured Seth Burch, of this place, of the ugliest sore on his neck I ever saw." Cures Cuts, Wounds, Burns and Sores. 25c at Terrell's Drug Store.

In conversation with Mr. G. R. Couch, cashier of the Haskell National bank and who is also pretty well posted on the cattle interests of the country, he said that several ranchmen and cattle owners are holding cattle that are now ready for market until the Wichita Valley railroad reaches this place. He says it will then be possible to drive cattle from the pasture one day, put them in the cars and haul them to the Fort Worth market the next day. He regards this as one of the valuable advantages the people will gain from the advent of the new road, as it will be a great saving in time and expense as well as in the shrinkage sustained by the cattle in the longer drive and handling heretofore necessary. And it will also enable alert shippers to time their shipments so as to more certainly meet advances in market quotations.

"In my store I carry a large line of patent medicines," writes A. O. Saunders, Dawson, Ill. "Two years ago I began selling Hart's Honey and Horehound and Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup and I find them to be highly satisfactory to my trade and can heartily recommend them." Call at Terrell's Drug Store for a free sample bottle.

Messrs Harwell and Darnell of the southwest part of the county were in doing some tarding Thursday. Talking with the reporter they said crops generally were in good condition, except that some farmers failed to plow their corn after the last heavy rains and that such corn was not doing well.

FARMERS' UNION at SAYLES.

Officers Elected and Other Business Transacted.

The Farmers' Union of Haskell county met in regular session at Sayles school house June 22 at 10 o'clock.

On account of sickness the president was absent and the house was called to order by Secretary F. M. Blair. G. W. Pilley was then unanimously elected to preside over the meeting and took the chair. After the transacting of some preliminary business Mr. W. S. Fouts appeared and desired to make his "quarterly report." Leave being granted, he announced that "coffee is now done and is as fine as a man ever drank."

Some one promptly made a motion to adjourn for dinner and it carried without a dissenting vote. We gathered around a thirty-foot table in the shade of an awning made of wagon sheets. Did you say a good dinner? Everything a hungry man could wish for was there. While the Union was in session at Sayles this table was spread three times and was not lacking for anything. We are bound to say that Sayles community certainly has as fine a lot of cooks as any country can boast of, and we do heartily extend our thanks to them for the courtesies shown the delegates and visiting brethren.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1 o'clock the house was called to order. Many questions were sprung and discussed pertaining to the interest of the producer and we had some good talks from Bros. W. T. Loudermilk, J. D. Neal and Anderson from Stonewall county. This brought us to 10 o'clock Friday night, when the matter of electing officers for the ensuing term was taken up and resulted as follows:

OFFICERS ELECTED

- President, R. M. Smith.
- Vice-President, W. A. Strickland.
- Secretary, J. G. Blake.
- Cheplain, R. W. Williams.
- Door Keeper, G. T. Buford.
- Conductor, John Howard.
- Business Agent, A. H. O'Keefe.
- Executive Committee: J. M. Davis, A. H. O'Keefe, J. D. Stodghill, W. H. Berry and J. M. Perry.

After the election of officers a motion was adopted to meet in called session at the court house in Haskell July 23, 1906.

SATURDAY'S SESSION

Business was resumed the second day at 10:30 o'clock with a speech by W. T. Loudermilk of DeLeon, to a much crowded house, (it being an open session) he held the close attention of his audience for a little more than an hour. In the afternoon Bro. J. D. Neal of Gorman took the floor and for an hour and twenty minutes spoke in the interest of the laboring class, which was a feast for all who believe in the golden rule.

We would think our report of this meeting cut too short if we were not to mention the candidates that were present, namely: Mr. Joe Irby and Mr. M. E. Park, who looked as pleasing as kittens and like they loved everybody. We were glad to have them with us.

We close by wishing the Free Press and its many readers over the county—we find it nearly everywhere—much success.

Yours for the union cause
F. M. BLAIR, Sec.

Mr. C. H. Merchaut and son, W. B., of the eastern part of the county were trading in town Thursday.

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When our soldiers went to Cuba and the Philippines, health was the most important consideration. Willis T. Morgan, retired Commissary Sergeant U. S. A., of Rural Route 1, Concord, N. H., says: "I was two years in Cuba and two years in the Philippines, and being subject to colds, I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which kept me in perfect health. And now, in New Hampshire, we find it the best medicine in the world for coughs, colds, bronchial troubles and all lung diseases. Guaranteed at Terrell's Drug Store. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

ESTRAY NOTICE.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of Haskell. Taken up by N. A. Lemons and estrayed before J. T. Knowles Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1, Haskell county: One black horse, about five years old, about 15 hands high, no brand. Appraised at thirty dollars.

The owner of said stock is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs. Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 7th day of June, 1906.
J. W. MEADORS,
Clerk County Court Haskell Co.

Just What Everyone Should Do.

Mr. J. T. Barber of Irwinville, Ga., always keeps a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy at hand ready for instant use. Attacks of colic, cholera morbus and diarrhoea come on so suddenly that there is no time to hunt a doctor or go to the store for medicine. Mr. Barber says: "I have tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy which is one of the best medicines I ever saw. I keep a bottle of it in my room as I have had several attacks of colic and it has proved to be the best medicine I ever used. Sold at Terrell's Drug Store.

MONEY BURNS

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HASKELL, TEXAS

ALL OVER TEXAS.

Dallas will hereafter use stone and concrete in bridge and culvert work, instead of wood, wherever possible.

T. L. Wren and George B. Zimpelman are having a contest over the Austin postmastership.

A strong flow of gas was found at a depth of 11 feet in a well being dug for water a few miles west of Brownwood.

Birdville once the county seat of Tarrant County, has been abolished as a postoffice, having been supplanted by the rural route.

A Hill County farmer thinks he has found a new cotton enemy, and specimens of the bug have been sent to the State entomologist for examination.

Larry Chittenden, the ranchman poet of New York and Texas, is now in the Bermudas having "the time of his life."

Persistent rumor now has it that the Santa Fe railroad will not go into Waco over the Cotton Belt track, but that instead the tracks of the Texas Central from Morgan south will be used.

The machinery for the McCormick Oil Company of Davilla has arrived and drilling has begun. The well is located near Davilla, which place is twelve miles from Bartlett.

Fletcher D. Proctor, son of Senator Redfield Proctor, was nominated by acclamation for governor of Vermont by Republicans in state convention.

The scholastic census for Clarendon independent school district is 450, or 11 per cent greater than last year, while Donley County shows an increase of nearly 25 per cent.

Dr. G. B. Norris, of Celeste, has received a letter from Senator Joseph Bailey, accepting an invitation to speak at the old soldiers' reunion to be held there July 13 and 14.

James Pegram, a young Lamar County farmer, stepped on his way home from church Sunday night to get a drink of water, and dropped dead while drawing up the bucket.

The big tobacco crop grown under canvas at Fort Houston is maturing very rapidly now, and cutting has begun. The crop is pronounced a success in every particular. The company may plant more next year.

The funeral of F. L. Carroll, the well known lumber dealer and mill man of Waco, took place Friday morning at 10 o'clock from the Carroll chapel at Baylor university, and was largely attended.

The M. E. Church, South, decided not to expend this year \$100,000 in Dallas for the purchase of property for a publishing house, because of the fact that the church now has on hand the erection in Nashville of a large publishing house that will cost \$205,000.

Professor George W. Roach, county school superintendent of El Paso County, the only Democrat without opposition for re-election in his own party, died Tuesday morning suddenly. He was formerly principal of the high school, and before that was superintendent of schools at Abilene.

The election for the raising of \$5,500 for building purposes in the Mertens incorporated school district resulted in favor of the proposition by a vote of 87 to 40.

Good mules are a very scarce commodity on the market right now.

The railroad commission received a telegram from J. H. Bond of Dallas, who was elected auditor of the railroad commission, in which Mr. Bond accepts the position and says he will in a few days assume the duties.

The proposition to incorporate the town of Memphis, submitted to a vote recently, carried by a majority of ten votes.

The President has signed the bill making Fort Arthur, Texas, a port of entry.

Stonewall Camp No. 1440, U. C. V., of Randall County, has announced the annual reunion of that camp will be held this year at Canyon City, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 28, 29, and 30.

Four dead and one dangerously, perhaps fatally, wounded, all white men is the result of an attempt by three life term convicts to escape from Angola, Louisiana, State convict farm, seventy miles down the river from Natchez.

W. A. McElroy, chairman of the executive committee of the Texas League of Postmasters of the fourth class offices, announces a session of his organization to be held at Marlin, on July 4th.

CUT WONT HOLD

United States Circuit Court Holds Up Reduced Fares.

Dallas, June 26.—By an order issued by Judge Andrew P. McCormick of the Circuit Court of the United States for the Western District of Texas, the Railroad Commission of Texas is temporarily restrained from enforcing its order to reduce passenger fares on the Houston and Texas Central Railroad from 2c a mile to 2 1/2c, effective July 1.

This temporary restraining order is to hold good until the application of the complainant for a temporary injunction can be heard, and the same is set down for hearing before Judge Maxey, or any other Judge of the Western District, at Austin on July 16.

The complainant further asks that all of the Commission's rates, both freight and passenger, shall be permanently enjoined upon a final hearing of the case. All other principal Texas lines will join in this petition.

Austin: Chairman Storey said that he regretted the injunction suit and the litigation to which the commission will be a party as the result of the order of a majority of the commission in adopting the two and one-half cent rate, and to which he was opposed. He said he not only thought the reduction unjust, but that he had desired to make reductions which would result in benefit to the people.

This he thought the commission should have done instead of reducing passenger fares on one road; that the reduction should have been in freight rates where the whole people would have been benefited.

Commissioner Colquitt said he agreed with Commissioner Mayfield in everything he said, and added that he had no doubt but that the commission would be finally sustained in the courts and that it must be fought to the end with no compromise.

Railroad Commissioner Mayfield said: "It is with great reluctance that I feel the necessity of referring to matters pending in the courts respecting the action of the Railroad Commission. The order of this commission relating to passenger fares on the Houston and Texas Central Railway was the result of careful deliberation. That the action of the commission was lawful, that is, warranted of the act creating the Railroad Commission, is not open to question by any sane mind. The majority of the commission believed and still believe that the facts applicable to this particular case justified the order."

Hot Time Promised in Abilene.

Abilene: The West Texas Fair Association will hold its Midsummer Carnival and Matinee on July 2, 3 and 4. There will be a big flower parade, gathering of Woodmen and address by Hon. Morris Sheppard; the second advent of the illustrious order of Omnipogays and the Ivanhoe tournament. The candidates for Governor will speak and there will be an address on July 4 by Senator Joseph W. Bailey.

Hon. M. M. Crane of Dallas has accepted an invitation to speak at Corsicana at the reunion of Camp Winkler, U. C. V., July 4.

John S. Stone of this city has been appointed clerk of the Circuit and District Courts for the Eastern District of Texas at Paris in place of John B. Dalley, resigned.

Twenty automobilists were arrested in New York City Sunday through an effort by the police to reduce the number of accidents occurring on Sundays.

As a result of feud between the Copeland and Parish families at Bearden Spring, I. T., two young men are mortally wounded, and two in jail charged with the shooting. The trouble originated Sunday over a spring where both families received water.

It cost the Government \$100,000 to extradite Greene and Gaynor and bring them to trial. This is the statement contained in a letter written by Attorney General Moody to Chairman Tawney, explaining the request for a deficiency appropriation.

Jesse J. Dunn and A. H. Keith, chairmen respectively of the Oklahoma and Indian Territory Democratic Executive Committees, met and decided to call a meeting of the members of the two committees for Shawnee July 9.

Four generations of the Abernethy family sat at 6 o'clock dinner in Paris Saturday afternoon. Among the number at the unusual family dinner was H. B. Abernethy, president of the Mary Connor college of that city.

Commander Booth-Tucker and Miss Minnie Reid were married at the Salvation Army's citadel in London, South Tottenham. Gen. Booth officiated. Only relatives and high officials of the Salvation Army were present.

MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATURE

Said To Be Honeycombed with Rot-

Boston, Mass., June 25.—What District Attorney Moran intends to do regarding the confession of former Representative Frank J. Gethro, who was expelled from the lower branch of the Massachusetts Legislature for placing bribes to defeat the Logan anti-buckshot bill, is known only to himself, but it is likely he will call a special session of the Grand Jury. The District Attorney says he will not discuss Gethro's confession until he presents the entire matter to the Grand Jury, which will convene next month.

It is said Gethro has presented to the District Attorney a notebook containing the names of twenty-two members of the Legislature who have sold their votes.

Gethro's confession that he bought and delivered votes to kill the bill implicates both Republicans and Democrats. He asserted that the House leaders promised him protection, and for that reason he did not betray them when he was summoned before the Grand Jury.

Behind Gethro's present activity certain persons see the fine hand of Thomas W. Lawson, who has long been on record as declaring the Massachusetts Legislatures have been bought and sold like kettles of fish. Students of literature detect in the Boston barber's speech before the House when he was expelled, the words of his counsel, Timothy W. Coakley, and there are those who recognize Mr. Lawson's rhetoric in Gethro's confession letter.

"Before this thing is over," said Mr. Lawson, "seventy-five or eighty men will wear stripes."

A Child's Awful Death.

Weatherford: A little 4-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Butcher, living four miles south of this city, met a horrible death by poisoning Saturday afternoon. The parents were in the field, only a short distance from the house, chopping cotton, while the little fellow played about them, now and then going to the house. Presently he remained longer than usual, and falling to answer to their calls, the parents hastened to the house, to find the little fellow lying on the floor in convulsions. An empty bottle, which had contained strychnine, bought to poison rats and skunks, told the awful story. A physician was summoned and all antidotes and remedies applied, to no avail. The little fellow lived only about two hours and died in great agony.

Aged and Despondent, He Suicides.

Austin: News has been received of the death at his own hands of William May, aged 71 years, who killed himself with a single-barreled shotgun at the home of L. H. Nichols, about fifteen miles northwest of Austin, Saturday afternoon. The bullets took effect in May's stomach and it is believed that he lived for a short time after the weapon was fired, although dead when his body was found by Nichols.

Waco to Strawn Railway Proposed.

Waco: Citizens of Hamilton, Stephenville, Meridian and other points west and northwest of Waco held a conference Saturday with the Waco Business Men's Club on the plan of building a railway from this city to Strawn, with a Hamilton branch. Among those present were John L. Sprulin of Hamilton, N. R. Morgan and P. A. McCarthy of Meridian and Mayor Collins and others of Stephenville.

What Would He Get in Texas?

Indianapolis: As a result of a trip through a city market during which H. E. Barnard, chemist, of the state board of health, bought forty-nine samples of sausage, hamburger steak, wiener-wurst bologna, ham loaf, veal loaf, tripe and pigs foot jelly, and analyzed them, he found that thirty-three were illegal, because they contained chemicals prohibited by the law, and only sixteen were passably good.

Pair of Triplets for Texas.

Vernon: Triplets and all boys were born to J. D. Hagler and wife of this place on the 20th. At the former birth twins were born to them. They now have fifteen children in the family.

Plano: Mrs. R. H. Crawford, wife of a prominent citizen, gave birth Friday morning to triplets, two girls and one boy. One girl and the boy only lived a few hours after birth.

Eight Were Drowned.

Dover, England: The Danish schooner Bertha sank near South Goodwin lightship Wednesday night as a result of a collision with the Dutch tank steamer American from Antwerp for New York. Eight of the schooner's crew were drowned. Peter Northolm the captain's son, was the only survivor. The American proceeded, not having sustained any damage.

SALARIES OF POSTMASTERS.

Readjustment of Texas Offices Ac-

According to Business Done—Dallas Ahead of All.

Washington, June 25.—The following readjustment of the salaries of Texas Postmasters were announced today.

Abilene, from \$2,400 to \$2,500; Amarillo, from \$2,300 to \$2,500; Austin, from \$3,200 to \$3,300; Bartlett, from \$1,400 to \$1,500; Batson, from \$1,500 to \$1,600; Beeville, from \$1,700 to \$1,800; Belton, from \$2,200 to \$2,100; Big Springs, from \$1,700 to \$1,800; Comanche, from \$1,700 to \$1,500; Cotulla, from \$1,100 to \$1,000; Dalhart, from \$1,700 to \$1,800; Dallas, from \$3,800 to \$3,900; DeLeon, from \$1,200 to \$1,300; Eagle Pass, from \$1,700 to \$1,800; Fort Worth, from \$3,400 to \$3,500; Franklin, from \$1,100 to \$1,200; Galveston, from \$3,300 to \$3,400; Hamilton, from \$1,400 to \$1,500; Hereford, from \$1,400 to \$1,500; Hubbard, from \$1,500 to \$1,600; Humble, from \$1,600 to \$1,700; Jacksboro, from \$1,300 to \$1,400; Kirbyville, from \$1,100 to \$1,200; Liano, from \$1,500 to \$1,700; Lufkin, from \$1,800 to \$1,900; McKinney, from \$2,400 to \$2,500; Madisonville, from \$1,000 to \$1,100; Marshall, from \$2,500 to \$2,600; Memphis, from \$1,200 to \$1,300; Merkel, from \$1,300 to \$1,600; Miles Station, from \$1,100 to \$1,300; Mount Vernon, from \$1,200 to \$1,300; Palestine, from \$2,500 to \$2,600; Paris, from \$2,700 to \$2,800; Plainview, from \$1,000 to \$1,200; Rogers, from \$1,100 to \$1,200; San Angelo, from \$2,300 to \$2,400; San Antonio, from \$3,400 to \$3,500; Sealy, from \$1,100 to \$1,200; Somerville, from \$1,100 to \$1,200; Sour Lake, from \$1,700 to \$1,400; West, from \$1,400 to \$1,500; Yorktown, from \$1,100 to \$1,300.

President Wants to be Shown.

Washington, June 25.—President Roosevelt will visit the Isthmus of Panama to make a personal investigation of the work of construction of the canal. This announcement was made at the White House Saturday afternoon by Secretary Loeb, after a conference with the President. It is expected the President will leave Washington for Panama the latter part of next October, or in the early days of November. He will be absent about three weeks.

Two Fatal Accidents.

Logansport, La.: This community has lost two valuable citizens as a result of accidents. Zac Daw, a prominent Shelby County farmer, residing near Pauls Store, Tex., was killed by falling under a loaded wagon. Two days previous Ligo Foshee, a highly respected citizen and farmer of Cold Springs neighborhood, De Soto Parish, was killed at Lelia by the falling of a lumber kiln, which he was trying to save.

A Three Year Old's Record Walk.

Weatherford: Sometime between the hours of 1 and 4 a. m. Friday night a little 3-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. D. Rutland, living on Bear Creek, fifteen miles southeast of this city, got out of bed, left the house and wandered away. The mother awakened at 4 o'clock and, missing the child, instituted a search, but not finding her, searching parties started out, and found the child in a pasture ten miles away, none the worse besides being tired and hungry.

John Cook, a small boy, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cook of Terrell, was badly scalded Monday, and died from the injuries Wednesday.

Waller County Feud Revived.

Houston: In the criminal court recently the Waller county feud, which has resulted in the killing of Congressman Pinckney and a half dozen other prominent citizens, broke out a fresh. Judge R. E. Hanney was assaulted by Tucker Pinckney and but for the prompt action of officers it is asserted a killing would have followed the assault.

Dallas Flying Machine Builder.

Dallas: Coleman Brown of this city, who has recently invented an airship, in which he hopes to be able to navigate the aerial regions over Dallas has gone to New York in the interest of the work of completing and testing his machine. He has sent word back that expert judges pronounce his invention "the most practical and simplest they have ever seen."

Seventeen arrests were made for Sunday violations in Dallas.

Dr. Agnacio Prieto, for whom is claimed the discovery of the typhus fever germ, is now inoculating monkeys in order to watch the symptoms as they develop. The Mexican Government recently offered a prize for the discovery of the germ and another prize for the discovery of an antidote for the same.

Application has been made for a franchise for a street car line in Corpus Christi.

THE LOVE BILL SUITS

WRIT OF ERROR GRANTED.

Two Batches Selected as Test Cases

Before the Court.

Austin, Texas, June 22.—Writ of error was granted in the Love bill tax suits yesterday and the Supreme Court set the submission for next term, fixing Oct. 10 as the day on which argument will be heard. The Court granted a writ of error in each of the two batches of suits, holding the others to be disposed of the same way the test cases they have selected.

Of the original injunction suits of the railroads six were brought up for test cases and the court selects one of those, that of Stephens, Controller, et al. vs. the Texas and Pacific Railway Company, while of the eighteen suits for taxes brought by the State the writ was granted in that styled State of Texas vs. Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway company.

Of the first, or injunction suits, it can be said that they involve the constitutionality of the Love bill outright, while the State's tax suits raise the question of the amount due. The trial court overruled the State's contention for an entire year's tax of 1 per cent, awarding judgment only for the proportionate part from the date the act became effective, which was July 17, to Dec. 31. The State appealed, as did the railroads, resulting in the Appellate Court knocking out all the tax and the State asked for writ of error with the success stated.

Oil and Gas at Sulphur.

Sulphur, I. T.: In drilling for water the drillers struck a pocket of several barrels of fine grade petroleum. This makes about thirty wells in Sulphur that have oil at from 60 to 130 feet. No deep wells have been sunk. The West Side artesian well struck a flow of oil at 270 feet. Numerous wells have also developed gas in small quantities. One well blazed up sixty feet high all night, but no boring for gas has yet been done.

Negro Carpenter Killed by a Car.

Texarkana: Joe Wallace, a negro carpenter, was struck by an electric car and fatally injured, dying in a few hours. He was crossing Broad street and stepped directly in front of the car, which caught him and carried him for about twenty feet before the motorman could stop. His back was badly crushed and bruised and one arm was crushed near the elbow. It is said that Wallace was nearly deaf, and it is supposed he did not hear the warning gong.

Bad Health Leads to Suicide.

Galveston: The body of A. Blum of Waco, Texas, was found among the sand hills at Denver Beach. Deposition had set in and it was apparent that life had been extinct for about two days. A bottle supposed to have contained laudanum was found beside the body and in the clothing was found a letter dated June 19, giving the address of the wife of the deceased and making a request that the body be buried in the potter's field.

Locating Santa Fe Cut-Off.

Austin: T. J. Hall of Scurry County states that engineers are in the field locating the Santa Fe cut-off from Brownwood west to a line now in course of construction east from Bolten, N. M. He says that the proposed line will intersect a part of Texas far remote from a railroad, but which has a number of natural resources. These, he thinks, will provide good tonnage for the railroad and the road will develop a splendid country.

Crude Oil for Smelting.

Austin: The invention of a method by which crude oil may be successfully used for smelting purposes may lead to the early development of the iron ore fields of Llano and East Texas, according to advices that have been received here from parties who have been making an investigation in that line. It is stated that a Los Angeles (Cal.) man has invented a process for using oil in blast furnaces instead of coke.

New Railroad Projected.

Tulsa, I. T.: A new railroad has been projected from Claremore to Shawnee and it is said the company backing the project can command \$10,000,000 and will push it through to completion at an early date. The road as projected will touch the valuable coal fields northeast of Broken Arrow, which have not been developed to any considerable extent. The Missouri Pacific will operate the new road, it is rumored.

Brady to San Antonio.

Fort Worth: Within the next thirty days steps will be taken by the Fort Worth and Rio Grande railroad toward the building of the Brady extension from Brady to San Antonio. In all probability a new survey will be made between Brady and Fredericksburg, in Gillespie County, about of forty miles, and the line run from Fredericksburg to Waring, the Frisco using the Sap tracks into San Antonio.

The New York City Council has passed an ordinance against posting up of nasty and suggestive posters.

Leo Brown, a 9-year-old boy, went swimming in a hole in the Trinity, near Fort Worth, got into deep water and was drowned.

While fishing, Will Giles, colored, porter at the Cotton Belt freight depot, at Corsicana, fell into Chambers Creek and was drowned.

Recorder Goff has denied the motion for a new trial in the case of Albert Patrick, convicted of the murder of William Marsh Rice, the aged Texas millionaire.

Two men giving their place of residence as Russellville, Ark., are under arrest for passing \$1 bills raised to fives on street car conductors in Dallas.

Eleven cars of fat cattle were shipped out of Wills Point for St. Louis Wednesday. This runs the shipments over forty cars from there the past two weeks.

Ground will be broken at Gainesville Monday next on the Gainesville, Whitesboro and Sherman Railway, and a number of prominent Sherman business men will attend by invitation.

C. Melnkink, a prosperous German bachelor farmer, 60 years years old, was drowned while bathing in Llano River near Castell, twelve miles from Llano, Monday evening.

The strike of the miners in Ohio was settled Tuesday and the men ordered back to work. The settlement included the return of union men to the mines in Eastern Ohio.

The Denison Vinegar factory was destroyed by fire Wednesday night. Estimated loss on the building and contents, \$10,000, partially covered by insurance.

A Texas business men's excursion left Dallas for Chicago and other points Friday. All the principal cities of Texas are represented in the party of some sixty persons.

Work has begun on the Texas Railway at Victoria, which is to be built from San Antonio to Port O'Conner. The construction gang is building to the north and south.

Work of excavating for the foundation of the new Texas Central machine shops and roundhouse at Walnut Springs is now in progress and masons will be at work on the foundation within a week.

Senator Culberson Thursday voted to lay consideration of the Panama Canal on the table; Senator Bailey was not present; the matter was taken up and not tabled. The lock canal was adopted.

Fourteen car loads of new machinery are en route to the Denison cotton mill. Forty new tenement houses are to be erected. It is expected by fall five hundred operatives will be employed in the manufacture of cloth.

John D. Rockefeller's parting gift of \$250,000 just before he sailed for Europe for a building for the naval branch of the Young Men's Christian Association at Norfolk, Va., three weeks ago, may become \$300,000 if the larger amount is needed.

Cecil Lyon is in Washington with others of his lieutenants looking after the parceling out of some federal offices in Texas.

An election was held to incorporate the town of Merkel. The proposition carried by a majority of fifteen.

A special from Yazoo City, Miss., says the Paducah cotton oil mill of that place was completely destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of \$150,000. The Mississippi mill, adjacent, was for a while threatened.

Fourteen men were placed on trial in the City of Mexico Monday, charged with the elaborate swindling of an American life insurance company out of \$300,000. The swindlers were skillfully planned and involved the burial of dummies.

Exasperated because he caught but three small fish after fishing all day, Joseph Buchlein, of St. Louis, returned to his home and ended his life with carbolic acid. He left a widow and infant son.

The next meeting of the North Texas Medical Association will be held in Dallas, beginning the third Tuesday in December.

Twenty-three cars of fat cattle were shipped from Wills Point to St. Louis Saturday.

Two cars of cabbage, the first ever shipped from the Waco section, have just been sent out. The returns were such as to justify the belief that in the future there will be a good large acreage planted in cabbage.

Wm. F. Runnels of Lexington, Tex., fell down an air shaft from the sixth floor of the Grace hotel, Chicago, early Tuesday and was instantly killed.

The sixth annual session of Texas Grocers Association met at Denison Monday and adjourned Wednesday.

THE RAILROAD RATE BILL

Synopsis of the Important Provisions of the New Law.

The Term Common Carriers Includes
Railroads, Express Companies, Sleeping Car Companies and Pipe Lines—Passes May Be Issued to Railroad Employees—Authority of Commission to Fix Rates.

Washington.—The following is a synopsis of the important sections of the railroad rate bill.

Section one makes the law apply to corporations or persons engaged in the transportation of oil or other commodities, except water, by pipe line, to those engaged in transportation of passengers or property by railroad or partly by railroad and partly by water, between states.

"Common Carriers" Defined.
The term common carrier is described as follows:

The term "common carrier," as used in this act, shall include express companies and sleeping car companies. The term "railroad," as used in this act, shall include all bridges and ferries used or operated in connection with any railroad, and also all the road in use by any corporation operating a railroad, whether owned or operated under a contract, agreement or lease, and shall also include all switches, spurs, tracks, and terminal facilities of every kind used or necessary in the transportation of the persons or property designated herein.

All charges made for any service rendered or to be rendered in the transportation of passengers or property as aforesaid, or in connection therewith, shall be just and reasonable; and every unjust and unreasonable charge for such service or any part thereof is prohibited and declared to be unlawful.

What Passes May Be Issued.

The section relative to the issuing of railway passes is as follows:

A. No carrier subject to the provisions of this act shall hereafter, directly or indirectly, issue or give any interstate free ticket, free pass or free transportation for passengers, except to its officers, agents, employees, surgeons, physicians, actual and bona fide attorneys, and members of their immediate families; to ministers of religion, local and traveling secretaries of Young Men's Christian associations, inmates of hospitals and charitable and eleemosynary institutions; to indigent, destitute and homeless persons, and to such persons when transported by charitable societies or hospitals, and the necessary agents employed in such transportation; to inmates of the national homes or state homes for disabled volunteer soldiers and of soldiers and sailors' homes, including those about to enter and those returning home after discharge, under arrangements with boards of managers, and female nurses that served during the civil war; to ex-union soldiers and sailors and ex-confederate soldiers; and to owners and caretakers of livestock when traveling with such stock or when going to point of shipment or returning from point of delivery.

Exceptions to the Rule.
Provided, that this provision shall not be construed to prohibit the interchange of passes for the officers, agents and employees of carriers, and members of their immediate families, nor to prohibit any carrier from carrying passengers free with the object of providing relief in cases of general epidemic, pestilence or other calamitous visitations, nor prevent such carrier from giving free or reduced transportation to laborers transported to any place for the purpose of supplying any demand for labor at such place.

Cannot Own Coal Mines.
All common carriers are prohibited from transporting from one state to another any article manufactured, mined or produced by the carrier or under its authority, and owned wholly or in part by the carrier; except that pipe lines operated by oil companies may transport their own commodities as well as those offered for transportation by competitors.

Section 2 amends section 6 of the present law so as to make it obligatory on the part of carriers to file with the commission and keep open to the public schedules showing all rates, fares and charges between different points on its own route and points on other routes, when a through rate is made, and no change should be made in these rates without giving 30 days' notice of change. It also provides for the filing of all contracts and agreements between different lines.

Penalties Are Provided.
The penalties provided for violation of these rates are as follows:
That section 1 of the act entitled "An act to further regulate commerce with foreign nations and among the states," approved February 19, 1903, be amended so as to read as follows:
The willful failure upon the part of any carrier subject to said acts to file

and publish the tariffs or rates and charges as required by said acts, or strictly to observe such tariffs until changed according to law, shall be a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof the corporation offending shall be subject to a fine of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$20,000 for each offense; and it shall be unlawful for any person, persons or corporation to offer, grant or give, or to solicit, accept or receive any rebate, concession or discrimination in respect to the transportation of any property in interstate or foreign commerce by any common carrier subject to said act to regulate commerce and the acts amendatory thereto whereby any such property shall by any device whatever be transported at a less rate than that named in the tariffs published and filed by such carrier, as is required by said act to regulate commerce and the acts amendatory thereto, or whereby any other advantage is given or discrimination is practiced.

Every person or corporation who shall offer, grant or give, or solicit, accept, or receive any such rebates, concession, or discrimination shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$1,000 nor more than \$20,000; provided, that any person, or any officer or director of any corporation subject to the provisions of this act, or the act to regulate commerce and the acts amendatory thereto, or any receiver, trustee, lessee, agent or person acting for or employed by any such corporation, who shall be convicted as aforesaid, shall, in addition to the fine herein provided for, be liable to imprisonment in the penitentiary for a term of not exceeding two years, or both such fine and imprisonment, in the discretion of the court. Every violation of this section shall be prosecuted in any court of the United States having jurisdiction of crimes within the district in which such violation was committed, or through which the transportation may have been conducted; and whenever the offense is begun in one jurisdiction and completed in another it may be dealt with, inquired of, tried, determined, and punished in either jurisdiction in the same manner as if the offense had been actually and wholly committed therein.

Authorized to Fix Rates.
Section 15 authorizes the interstate commerce commission to fix rates as follows:

Sec. 4. That section 15 of said act be amended so as to read as follows:
"Sec. 15. That the commission is authorized and empowered, and it shall be its duty, whenever, after full hearing upon a complaint made as provided in section 13 of this act, or upon complaint of any common carrier, it shall be of the opinion that any of the rates, or charges whatsoever, demanded, charged, or collected by any common carrier or carriers, subject to the provisions of this act, for the transportation of persons or property as defined in the first section of this act, or that any regulations or practices whatsoever of such carrier or carriers affecting such rates, are unjust or unreasonable, or unjustly discriminatory, or unduly preferential or prejudicial, or otherwise in violation of any of the provisions of this act, to determine and prescribe what will be the just and reasonable rate or rates, charge or charges, to be thereafter observed in such case as the maximum to be charged; and what regulation or practice in respect to such transportation is just, fair and reasonable to be thereafter followed; and to make an order that the carrier shall cease and desist from such violation, to the extent to which the commission find the same to exist, and shall not thereafter publish, demand, or collect any rate or charge for such transportation in excess of the maximum rate or charge so prescribed, and shall conform to the regulation or practice so prescribed. All orders of the commission, except orders for the payment of money, shall take effect within such reasonable time, not less than 30 days, and shall continue in force for such period of time, not exceeding two years, as shall be prescribed in the order of the commission, unless the same shall be suspended or modified or set aside by the commission or be suspended or set aside by a court of competent jurisdiction.

Any person, corporation, or company who shall deliver property for interstate transportation to any common carrier, subject to the provisions of this act, or for whom, as consignee or consignee, any such carrier shall transport property from one state, territory, or district of the United States to any other state, territory or district of the United States or foreign country, who shall knowingly and willfully, by employ, agent, officer or otherwise, directly or indirectly, by or through any means or device whatsoever, receive or accept from such common carrier any

sum of money, or any other valuable consideration, as a rebate or offset against the regular charges for transportation of such property, as fixed by the schedules of rates provided for in this act; shall be deemed guilty of a fraud, which is hereby declared to be a misdemeanor, and, shall, upon conviction thereof in any court of the United States of competent jurisdiction within the district where such offense was committed, in addition to any other penalties provided by this act, be subjected to a fine equal to three times the sum of money so received or accepted, and three times the value of any other consideration so received or accepted, to be ascertained by the trial court; and in the trial for such offense, all such rebates or other considerations so received or accepted for a period of six years prior to the commencement of the action may be considered, and the said fine shall be three times the total amount of money or three times the total value of such considerations so received or accepted, as the case may be; provided, that the foregoing penalties shall not apply to rebates or considerations received prior to the passage and approval of this act.

In addition to the above the commission is empowered to make joint rates.

Orders of the Commission.

Any carrier, any officer, representative, or agent of a carrier, or any receiver, trustee, lessee, or agent of either of them, who knowingly fails or neglects to obey any order made under the provisions of section 15 of this act, shall forfeit to the United States the sum of \$5,000 for each offense. Every distinct violation shall be a separate offense, and in case of a continuing violation each day shall be deemed a separate offense.

Provision for Court Review.
The court-review provision of the bill is as follows:

If any carrier fails or neglects to obey any order of the commission, other than for the payment of money, while the same is in effect, any party injured thereby, or the commission in its own name, may apply to the circuit court in the district where such carrier has its principal operating office, or in which the violation or disobedience of such order shall happen, for an enforcement of such order. Such application shall be by petition, which shall state the substance of the order and the respect in which the carrier has failed of obedience, and shall be served upon the carrier in such manner as the court may direct, and the court shall prosecute such inquiries and make such investigations, through such means as it shall deem needful in the ascertainment of the facts at issue or which may arise upon the hearing of such petition. If, upon such hearing as the court may determine to be necessary, it appears that the order was lawfully made and duly served, and that the carrier is in disobedience of the same, the court shall enforce obedience to such order by a writ of injunction, or other proper process, mandatory or otherwise, to restrain such carrier, its officers, agents or representatives, from further disobedience of such order, or to enforce upon it, or them, obedience to the same; and in the enforcement of such process the court shall have those powers ordinarily exercised by it in compelling obedience to its writs of injunction and mandamus.

From any action upon such petition on appeal shall lie by either party to the supreme court of the United States, and in such court the case shall have priority in hearing and determination over all other causes except criminal causes, but such appeal shall not vacate or suspend the order appealed from.

The so-called Allison provision provides that all cases for the annulling of a rate as made by the commission should be brought in the district where the carrier against whom such order of requirement may have been made has its principal office.

Other provisions of the bill provide that the commission shall be empowered to require annual reports from all common carriers, and providing that such reports shall be of the fullest character; giving the commission at all times access to the books of common carriers, heavy penalties are enjoined for false entries in accounts. A fine of \$5,000 or imprisonment for a term of two years, or both, is decreed for any examiner who shall wrongfully divulge information acquired through examinations of accounts. Circuit and district courts are to have jurisdiction to issue writs of mandamus compelling common carriers to obey the orders of the commission. Bills of lading are to be issued by any common carrier accepting goods for transportation, making railroad companies liable for loss or damage done in transit over their or any other line. The commission is empowered to employ special agents or examiners with full powers.

This act takes effect and is in force from and after its passage.

The interstate commerce commission will consist of seven members, who shall draw salaries of \$10,000 per annum each.

Not So Foolish.
"I can't understand why men drink whisky," she said. "Does it quench thirst?"
"Of course not," he replied. "If it did they wouldn't be foolish enough to drink it."—Chicago Daily News.

Neutralized.
He—Gracious! Did you notice the terrible smell that automobile made that went by a little while ago?
She—No, dear; I was peeling onions for dinner then.—Yonkers Statesman.

Unfortunate.
First Merchant—Well, cheer up, old duck! You never know your luck.
Second Ditto—That's a fact, I don't believe I've ever seen mine.
First Merchant—Always out, I s'pose?

Head on a Pivotal.
"The trouble is she's too fond of talking behind her back."
"Behind whose back?"
"Her own. She's a regular rubber-neck."—Philadelphia Press.

Explanation.
Myer—Your friend Cutter always speaks well of everybody.
Gyer—Mere force of habit.
Myer—How's that?
Gyer—He used to carve epigrams on tombstones.—Chicago Daily News.

Certainly Took It.
Redd—How did the horse take the hurdule to-day?
Greene—All right. He took it about 20 yards with him.—Yonkers Statesman.

EVENTS OF EVERYWHERE.

An unknown three-masted schooner sank three miles off Cape Fear bar. Particulars are not yet obtainable.

The cotton manufacturers of Fall River, Mass., have granted their operatives a 14 per cent. increase in wages. About 25,000 hands are benefited.

The House has passed a bill authorizing the city of St. Louis to construct a free bridge across the Mississippi River.

C. A. McNabb, of the Oklahoma State Board of Agriculture estimates the Oklahoma wheat crops at 30,000,000 bushels.

It is announced that Chase Tripler, of liquid air fame, died Wednesday at a hotel in Liberty, N. Y., from Bright's Disease, after an illness of two months. He was born in this city in 1849.

L. C. Stevenson, of Cloud Chief, Ok., stopped a heavily loaded wagon to fix the harness, when the team suddenly started forward, running over him and crushing him to death.

A franchise for an electric street railway system has been granted the Ardmore Electric and Power Company. A certified check for \$1,000 was deposited by the company.

The fourth annual mass convention of millers, under the auspices of the Millers' National Federation, held a three days' meeting at Milwaukee this week.

Ernest Bowerman of Enid, Ok., aged 9 years, while attempting to alight from a heavy farm wagon in which he was riding, fell under the wheels and received internal injuries, which will doubtless prove fatal.

Two blocks in the business section of Golconda, Pope County, Ill., burned and the loss is estimated at \$100,000. The fire originated in a laundry and consumed the laundry, two hardware stores and the city light plant.

Chas. Schwab has been talked of as a probable candidate for United States Senator. He has just returned from Europe and washes his hands of all political matters.

Physicians took out the heart of C. A. McCartney, at Los Angeles, washed the sand off it that had gotten there through an accidental wound, returned it to its cavity, and McCartney is getting well.

The mine operators of Indian Territory are still unable to obtain enough miners to supply the demand and the prospects are now good for a shortage of the fuel supply.

John, the two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Montgomery, living near Vickers Switch, Ok., turned a teapot of scalding water over upon its body. The child lived many hours, but death came at last.

According to reports, President Roosevelt is of the opinion that the regular Democratic candidate for President will be William J. Bryan. "But," the President is reported to have said, "Taft could beat him."

Dr. S. A. Bradley, local live stock and meat inspector of Louisville, Ky., caused to be seized and sent to a fertilizer works 2,400 pounds of pork loin held in cold storage. The officials of the storage company refused to state to whom the pork belonged.

Paris has under advisement a proposition by the Oklahoma Central Railway Company to build its line to that city.

Sir Thomas Lipton is planning a trip to the United States this summer. His plans have not been detailed.

A general strike of the Unhated Children's Jacket Makers' union, of New York, which is an independent organization, went into effect for a nine-hour work day. There are about 5,000 members in the union.

Judge Sam H. Cowan says that the bill gives the stockmen all that they have been contending for in this controversy.

Telegrams from Colon state that there is no yellow fever nor any suspicious cases on the isthmus.

Gov. Folk granted a respite to Mrs. Aggie Meyers and Frank Hottman to Sept. 3. They were to be hanged June 29. Gov. Folk refused a respite to Ed Bateman, the negro sentenced to hang in Lawrence County June 29, for rape.

Herbert H. D. Pierce, now third assistant secretary of state, is to be envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Norway, and Huntington Wilson of Illinois to succeed Mr. Pierce as third assistant secretary of state.

At a meeting of the ex-Confederate and Old Settlers' Picnic Association of Collier County, it was decided to hold a four days' picnic at McKinney this year on Aug. 7, 8, 9 and 10, instead of three days, as heretofore.

Armour's Oleomargarine factory at Omaha burned a few nights since, involving a loss of some \$175,000.

It is announced that Ignacius Padrewski will return to America next October or November for another concert tour.

Anthem in Which Americans All Join



Oh! say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hail'd at the twilight's last gleaming,
Whose broad stripes and bright stars, thro' the perilous fight—
O'er the ramparts we watch'd—were so gallantly streaming;
And the rockets' red glare, the bombs bursting in air,
Gave proof thro' the night that our flag was still there,
Oh! say, does that star-spangled banner still wave
O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?

Washington's Sad Fourth of July

Day Witnessed His Surrender of Fort Necessity to the French.

It was the 4th day of July, 1754, 22 years before the Declaration of Independence made the day ever famous.

The light of early morning shone upon a strange scene in the wilderness of western Pennsylvania.

A force of 600 Frenchmen and 100 Indians was camped around a rude stockade a little to the southeast and not far from the present city of Pittsburgh. They were commanded by Coulon de Villiers, a young Frenchman, the commandant of Fort Duquesne, who had sworn vengeance against the English for the death of his brother, Jumonville, who had fallen in a skirmish a few days before.

Besides, he was pledged to make good the French boast that no English flag should wave west of the Alleghenies.

In the fort a little force numbering less than half the number of the French and Indians had held out for one long day and six hours of the night against the attack of their vengeful and overpowering foe.

Before we relate the story of Fort Necessity, however, it will be well to refer to the causes which led to this Fourth of July episode.

At the commencement of the French and Indian war it was determined by the English, for the better protection of their interests, to build a fort at the junction of the Allegheny and Monongahela rivers, on the present site of Pittsburgh. A body of troops was accordingly dispatched by Gov. Dinwiddie of Virginia to accomplish this object.

The death of their colonel on the march threw the command into the hands of the second officer, a tall Virginian of 22, with brown hair and gray eyes, whose gravity of manner and careworn appearance bespoke even then the greatness he was to win. This Virginian youth was George Washington.

Before he reached the goal of his journey, Washington learned from his scouts the futility of his errand. Instead of driving out the French, he and his command stood in a fair way of being themselves driven out, if not altogether annihilated.

The French had been improving the summer weather. They had captured the few English and built and manned a strong fortress at the very place where the English expected to build one, and a French and Indian force of more than 1,000 men was thronging the adjacent forest.

When within a days' march of the new fort which the French had named Duquesne, after the governor of Canada, Washington halted at a place called the Great Meadows and constructed a fortification of logs and earth.

To this rude stockade he gave the name of Fort Necessity. In it were placed the cannons which he had dragged with so great toil through the forest paths from Virginia.

After a few days' rest, Washington went forward with a portion of his force to meet the Shawnee chief, Half King. A council was held and it was determined to make a night attack upon the French.

The scouts of the faithful Shawnee chief found the enemy's trail, and in the darkness of a rainy night the English made a successful raid. Jumonville, the French leader, was killed, and several of his men fell prisoners into Washington's hands.

He now fell back upon Fort Necessity. His situation was a critical one. His men had but little ammunition, and no bread of any kind, having lived for several days on fresh meat alone, and even this was not plentiful.

Washington spent his single day of respite in strengthening his rampart with logs. On the morning of the 3d of July his scouts brought intelligence of the advance of the French.

Meanwhile the French and Indians, under the command of Coulon de Villiers, had been holding a grand powwow at Fort Duquesne. The "French father" had supplied his children liberally with firearms and the wherewithal to eat and drink.

The braves after consuming several oxen and drinking two barrels of wine, had expressed their willingness to march against the English and drive them across the Alleghenies.

De Villiers set out on this expedition. The way through the forest was a difficult one, and before they reached Fort Necessity rain began to fall heavily. But the French pressed on, and before noon of the 3d of July they were firing upon Washington's defenses.

Their position was such, being upon higher ground, on two slight elevations, and well sheltered by trees and bushes, that they could cross their fire upon the fort and enfilade a portion of it, without themselves being exposed to much injury from the English.

At a little after nine o'clock in the evening the French commander called out for a parley. Washington's fear of treachery led him to ignore the proposal at first, but his position was so desperate that he complied the second time.

Capt. Vanbram, a Dutchman, the only person in his troop who could talk French, was sent to De Villiers's camp.

After a long preliminary talk the Frenchman wrote his terms of surrender by the fading light of a pine-knot, the rain drops spattering upon the paper and rendering the writing almost illegible.

The terms permitted Washington and his men to march out with the honors of war, retaining their arms, stores and baggage.

Washington signed the paper between midnight and one o'clock, and the rest of the night passed quietly, though the men remained under arms.

At dawn of the Fourth of July the Great Meadows presented an animated scene. The morning was fair, and the sun shone brightly over the damp, green forests and the lofty ridge of Laurel Hill.

The horses and cattle belonging to the garrison had all been killed, and, burdened by the sick and wounded, whom they carried on their backs, the English were obliged to leave most of their baggage and cannons behind.

Slowly they filed out of the fort and began their slow and wearisome march for Wills Creek, the nearest English station, 52 miles over the Alleghenies.

Sad must have been the heart of Washington as he surveyed the scene. All his hopes of military glory seemed blighted in the bud, but whatever may have been his feelings, no word of complaint or anger escaped his lips.

Without any doubt, however, it was the darkest and most miserable morning in his life.

He could not foresee the future, but on that other day, when the bell on the state house at Philadelphia was proclaiming the Declaration of Independence far and wide, and jubilent crowds were shouting and throwing up their hats at the glad tidings thereof, Washington must have thought of the time when he left the walls of Fort Necessity, a defeated man and a fugitive.—Golden Days.

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THE PLEDGE QUESTION.

We heart that there has been some criticism of the pledge adopted by our county Democratic executive committee and that some who would like to participate in the primary feel disappointed that they can not do so under the pledge. They have friends whom they would like to help get the nomination, and they would like generally to have a voice in the selection of the officers. There are some good citizens in this predicament, but they saw fit not to support the democratic candidates either in whole or in part at the last general election and the pledge bars them from the primary. They have only themselves to blame. They chose between individuals and a complete loyalty to the party, not fully appreciating the fact that to successfully maintain a party and bring its principles to final triumph it must have strict organization and loyal support from the ground up which means from the primary or precinct up. Such organization can not be maintained unless the party has rules and enforces them.

And surely, when a man believes that the principles and policies of one party are better for him and for the people at large than are the principles, policies and practices of any other party, he must on reflection see that, if he would have it succeed, he must not break through the rules of organization and place a preference for an individual above party fealty. From an individual standpoint it might be argued that a vote here and there for a candidate outside of the party would not amount to anything, but if one man is allowed to do this ten, a hundred—a thousand men, may do it, and still claim the right to participate in the primary and help to shape the party's policies. It is easy to see that this would soon lead to disorganization. Let persons who are barred from the primary this year vote the ticket in the November election and then come into the primaries in 1908. There will be important things to do then.

WHY THE PROSECUTIONS.

It has been definitely announced by the President and Attorney General of the United States that the Standard Oil Company is to be prosecuted under the Sheaman anti-trust law and for receiving millions in rebates for years past. An exchange asks why the prosecution has been delayed so long and says the Standard Oil Co. was as guilty five years or more ago as it is now and that the administration knew it then as well as they know it now.

Well, the question isn't hard to answer. The Standard Oil Co. along with other big trusts and monopolies has been putting up the big campaign funds with which to manipulate the elections and keep the republican administration in power. In the light of exposures that have been made within the last six months or so—and not half has been exposed yet—no sane, well informed man can deny this charge. For the republican administration and office holders who have been bought and given their offices by the trusts to turn round and prosecute them would be to commit political suicide, to kill the goose that laid their golden egg, so they have dilly dallied, procrastinated and temporized

with the enforcement of the laws, trying to appease the public by a sham prosecution here and there until the people have caught on to the game of pretense and bluster and the public patience has become exhausted. Realizing this state of feeling the administration sees that the rising wrath of the people will be worse when another election comes around than the loss of some of the trust support, and they hope by instituting some vigorous prosecutions against the most flagrant law breakers and oppressors of the public to reinstate the party in the minds of the people to a sufficient extent to overcome the loss of trust support. Will they? Will the people suffer themselves fooled again?

Cuban Diarrhoea.

U. S. soldiers who served in Cuba during the Spanish war know what this disease is, and that ordinary remedies have little more effect than so much water. Cuban Diarrhoea is almost as severe and dangerous as a mild attack of cholera. There is one remedy, however, that can always be depended upon, as will be seen by the following certificate from Mrs. Minnie Jacob of Houston, Texas: "I hereby certify that Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy cured my husband of a severe attack of Cuban diarrhoea, which he brought home from Cuba. We had several doctors but they did him no good. One bottle of this remedy cured him, as our neighbors testify. I thank God for so valuable a medicine." For sale at Terrells Drug Store.

STRAYED or STOLEN.

A light bay filley, 2 years old, blaze in face, stocking legs, branded WT connected on left shoulder. \$5 reward. G. J. Miller, Haskell.

Do not fill your system with Arsenic, Calomel and Quinine, they are all poisonous, vitiate the blood, debilitate the system, and leave a trail of bad symptoms which require years of time to obliterate. Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup is a purely vegetable liquid medicine, contains no mineral or narcotic poison and is a certain cure for all diseases arising from a disordered digestion. It carries off all poison from the system and leaves no injurious effect. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold at Terrells Drug Store.

Drs. C. E. Terrell and J. F. Collier, who are members of the board, attended the annual meeting of the Board of Pharmacy for the 39 judicial district, held at Stamford Monday, for the examination of candidates to practice pharmacy. There were eight applicants for license, six of whom were successful in the examinations and were awarded certificates.

BEAUTIFUL ORGAN, A Diamond Ring and a Gold Watch Given Away by Certain HASKELL MERCHANTS.

A number of enterprising firms of Haskell have interested themselves in giving away, absolutely FREE, an elegant organ, a diamond ring and a Waltham gold watch. The organ to be given to the organization, as church, lodge or school, receiving the greatest number of votes and the diamond ring and watch to the two individuals receiving the greatest number of votes. The individual receiving the greatest number of votes gets the ring and the next highest the watch.

The plan is a novel one and at once commends itself to the public, there being no outlay on the part of any other than the people who are doing this to stimulate cash trade, and at the same time bestow valuable gifts that will be a permanent advertisement for them. Briefly stated the plan is this: Each firm who is interested in the contest is provided with voting tickets and for each ten cents worth of goods purchased, issues a ticket entitling the holder to one vote. The ticket can be voted for the church, school, lodge or club and individual of the purchaser's preference.

A ten cent purchase entitles to one vote, 20 cents to two votes, 50 cents to five votes, \$1 to 10 votes and so on. Tickets should be filled out in ink or indelible pencil and can only be had from

the firms who have secured an interest in the contest, and only on the cash purchases. No charge whatever is made for tickets. You vote for the organization and individual of your choice on each ticket. Each week the vote will be counted and the standing announced in the Haskell FREE PRESS. A disinterested committee will be selected to count the votes. Contest will close December 25, 1906, at noon, at which time the organ will be awarded to the organization having received the greatest number of votes, and the ring and watch to the two individuals having received the greatest number of votes. The following firms will supply voting tickets free of charge on lines of goods indicated, and take pleasure in explaining all about the contest.

- HUNT & GRISSOM—Dry Goods, Notions, Furniture, Groceries, Etc.
- COLLIER-ANDRUSS CO.—Drugs, Medicines, Jewelry, Silverware, Etc.
- R. B. SPENCER & CO.—Lumber, Building Materials, Paints, Oil.
- CASON, COX & CO.—Hardware, Implements, Buggies, Etc.
- RACKET STORE—Everything in Racket Goods, Books, Etc.
- J. R. WHITFIELD—Bakery and Restaurant.
- W. A. MARSH Meat Market, Barbecue, Etc.
- FREE PRESS—Subscription, Advertising, Job Printing, Etc.

Organ on Exhibition at Cason, Cox & Co's. Hardware Store, Diamond Ring and Watch at Hunt & Grissom's Store. Voting box only at Drug Store of Collier-Andruss Company.

Judge H. G. McConnell and Mr. F. G. Alexander of the Haskell railroad committee, went to Seymour and Wichita Falls this week on business connected with Haskell railroad interests. It was understood that they might see the Rock Island officials while away, and there may be some news to tell when they come home. Insure your health in Prickly Ash Bitters. It regulates the system, promotes good appetite, sound sleep and cheerful spirits. C. E. Terrell, special agent.

Mr. and Mrs. Will McGregor from Waco have located in Haskell. Mr. McGregor is a young lawyer of considerable experience and ability and will open an office here for the practice of his profession. He is a son of Dr. G. C. McGregor, deceased, of Waco, who some years ago made considerable investment, in Haskell town property and farm lands in the county, which are still owned by the estate. Mr. J. W. Cameron of the northeast part of the county was in town Thursday.

ONE PRICE TO ALL!

COST for CASH

My sale has been so satisfactory both to myself and my customers for the past twelve days that I have decided to continue to give the CONSUMER the benefit of cost prices, so if you are in need of anything in my line come right along and make your purchase. I have several articles in the fall and winter line of goods which will be put in the cost sale.

Consider following prices---The best ever offered you!

STAR BRAND SHOES

\$5.00 Shoes at	\$3.85
4.00 Shoes at	3.30
3.50 Shoes at	2.75
3.00 Shoes at	2.50
2.50 Shoes at	1.65
2.00 Shoes at	1.35
1.75 Shoes at	1.20

HATS

\$6.00 Stetson at	\$4.40
3.00 Thoroughbred at	2.20
2.50 Statesman at	1.65
2.00 Globe at	1.00

25 per cent. Less than Cost Gets
200 Pairs Men's, Women's and Children's Shoes and Slippers. These shoes are all right, but they have to because we have no cartons for them—the prices range from 25 cts. per pair up. Come at once if you want to get fitted.

...THESE PRICES ARE COST PRICES...

MY SUMMER DRESS GOODS HAVE GOT TO GO—So don't fail to see them---I still have a good assortment to select from at cost to the consumer.

S. L. Robertson.

CLOTHING

\$20.00 Suits down to	\$13.75
17.50 Suits "	12.10
15.00 Suits "	11.00
12.50 Suits "	8.25
10.00 Suits at \$6.60 and 7.15	7.15
8.50 Suits	6.15
7.50 Suits	4.95
5.00 Suits	3.85

Men's Dress Shirts.

\$1.50 Shirts go at	\$1.10
1.25 Shirts go at85
.75 Shirts go at45

CLOCKS, The Old Standard Seth Thomas Kind.

HAMMOCKS CROQUET SETS BOOKS TO READ

WALL PAPER AT THE Haskell Racket Store.

Haskell Telephone Company.
Has Long Distance Connection with All Points, and Direct lines to the following local places.

Ample,	Aspermont,	Broach Ranch,	Shinnery Lake,	
Marcy,	Brazos River,	McDaniel Ranch,	Pinkerton,	
Clift,	Irby Ranch,	Throckmorton,	Stamford,	
Rayner,	Orient,	Gatlin,	Munday,	Seymour.

Local Exchanges at Haskell, Aspermont and Munday. Telegraph messages received and transmitted.
J. F. POSEY, Manager, Haskell, Texas.

PAINT

If you want to improve the looks of your home, paint your house with the celebrated **SHERWIN WILLIAMS PAINT.** We carry a nice line of House Paint, Roof and Barn Paint, Floorreax, Hardoil and Varnishes, also Wagon and Buggy Paint. We cordially invite anyone that is interested along this line, to come and see us, no trouble to show goods.

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Locals and Personals.

Mr. T. C. Cahill has returned from a business trip in South Texas.

Mrs. W. D. Falkner of the west side was in town Tuesday shopping.

Mr. Jim Davis of the Rule neighborhood was in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Draper were shopping in Haskell Tuesday.

Mr. J. N. McFatter went on our subscription list this week.

Mr. J. E. Wells of Rule was in Haskell Tuesday.

Go to the Haskell Real Estate Company for abstracts of title —

WAGON YARD. Stop at A. M. Carothers' yard, southwest of the square, when you come to Haskell.

A special program of the Y. P. S. C. will be rendered Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Christian church.

Mr. J. U. Fields made a business trip to Stamford this week.

Mr. G. E. Courtney of the East side was doing business in town Thursday.

Mr. E. L. Ridling of the north side had business in Haskell Thursday.

MONEY TO LOAN ON FARMS and ranches by the W. C. Belcher Land Mortgage Co. Fort Worth, Tex.

Mr. S. N. Neathery made a business trip to Dallas this week.

Mrs. L. N. Ritter of Stamford visited friends in Haskell this week.

If you want to attend a business college and save a few dollars tuition see the FREE PRESS about it.

For cheap lumber and supplies see J. G. Miller at Elk Horn Wagon Yard, Stamford, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Whitford of the Cliff neighborhood were in Haskell trading Thursday.

My \$15,000 stock of dry goods has got to go before I move into my new stone building. This means bargains for you. S. L. Robertson.

You can get an abstract of your land title made promptly and accurately at the office of the Haskell Real Estate Co.

Mr. W. H. Sowell of the Flat Top neighborhood was in town this week visiting his son W. J. and friends.

The FREE PRESS is indebted to Secretary Blair for an interesting and breezy report of the county meeting of the Farmer's Union held at Sayles school house last Friday and Saturday.

Crosby county is 100 miles from a railroad now, but it won't be six months from now. Land is selling from \$5.50 to \$10 now, but will double in price in twelve months, hence now is the time to buy. Write, NEAL, MORGAN & CARTER, Emma, Texas.

Mr. J. L. Powell of the north side was doing business in town Wednesday. He told our reporter that the millet crop was fine, oats has turned out well and that the general condition of crops is very satisfactory.

Elder J. H. Shepard attended the State convention of the Christian church at Waxahachie and from there went on a visit to his parents at Hartshorn, I. T.

Lost—One solid gold watch. Has letters C. A. N. cut on back and a lady's picture inside of case. Part of chain lost with watch. Guard was lost off of chain. Finder please deliver watch to Dr. A. G. Neathery and receive liberal reward.

Mr. M. C. Scott, a traveling representative of Farm and Ranch was in Haskell this week and called on the Free Press.

Miss Annie Browder of Benjamin, who has been visiting Miss Eva Fields, returned home this week.

A span of good plug horses, wagon and harness for sale cheap. See G. B. POWELL, The sidewalk man.

Mr. R. D. Rabe of the Rochester neighborhood was in town Wednesday. He says most of the cotton has been chopped out, but that crops are needing a shower.

Mr. G. F. Atchison and son, Earl, of the east side, were in town Tuesday.

Mr. J. S. Harbin of the Marcy country was in town Tuesday. He says the young cotton, replanted since the hail, is growing better than the older planting.

Misses Cleo and Gillie and Master Willie Frost, who have been visiting their grandparents and other relatives here, left Tuesday for their home at Mineral Wells.

Mrs. J. S. Rike and Mrs. W. E. Johnson visited friends at Stamford Tuesday.

Mr. J. T. Barlow, whose farm is near the Sayles school house, was in town Tuesday and told us that corn was needing rain in that locality and that there was some depredation by grasshoppers there.

One roan horse about 15 1/2 hands, not branded. One gray horse about 15 1/2 hands, unbranded, scar on left side of breast. See J. C. Draper about above horses—2 1/2 miles north of Pinkerton.

We are in receipt of a special invitation to a great basket picnic and barbecue at Seymour on July 4. It is a joint affair given by the I. O. O. F., K. of P., W. O. W. and Praetorian lodges of that place. Various amusements have been arranged for and it is promised that some of the best known orators in the state will be there to speak.

The prices at which Haskell merchants are selling dry goods, clothing, etc., is bringing people here daily from all parts of the county and even from over the lines in some of the adjoining counties.

We are on a deal to get 75 sections on our list so we can sell a man 100 acres or more. Watch for our ads and get you a home.

NEAL, MORGAN & CARTER, Emma, Texas.

To cure your cow of fever, or prevent it, use Crescent Stock Food, for sale by W. W. Fields & Bro. 4t

We have for sale the lots owned by Jno. C. Roberts in the Brown & Roberts addition to the town of Haskell. There are some desirable locations in the list. If you want to buy any of them call on us. Sanders & Wilson.

Our "Storm Sale" has proved to be a good success, a large number of people are taking advantage of the great bargains, and still the assortment of desirable goods is unbroken. So I will continue the sale and give the people at a distance a chance to come. Remember, I have put everything in the dry goods and notion department down to cost price.

S. L. ROBERTSON.

Mrs. Ella Peden and daughter, Miss Ads, who have been visiting at this place the families of her brothers, Messrs. W. W. and R. B. Fields, have returned to their home at Sherman.

Crosby county is located on the central Plains and cannot be surpassed for good health, pure water and rich land. If you want a good farm now is the time and this the country to get it in. Write, NEAL, MORGAN & CARTER, Emma, Texas.

Elder J. H. Morgan and wife of Cooper, Texas, are visiting their daughter, Mrs. G. T. McCulloch of this place.

Misses Salome Anthony and Alice Poole visited friends at Rule Wednesday and Thursday.

If you are thinking of going to the Plains, write us. We have land to sell in Crosby, Lynn, Terry and Gaines counties at the lowest prices possible to get.

NEAL, MORGAN & CARTER, Emma, Texas.

For drayage or moving wagon see Rupe & Camp, or leave orders for them at Sherrill Bros. or Spencer Lumber Co's. office.

Mr. D. Egger, a leading merchant of Waxahachie and who also has a large dry goods store at Stamford, was here Monday accompanied by his son, who is in charge of the Stamford house. They came up to look over the town and size up the situation with the view to establishing a dry goods house here if pleased with the outlook. We understand that they found the situation satisfactory and announced their intention of putting in a business here in the early fall. Mr. Egger remarked to the writer that his ads. in the FREE PRESS were bringing some good business to his Stamford house.

You'll find S. L. Robertson's store next door to postoffice, where he wants to see you and sell you goods at cost.

The auxiliary to the Christian Women's Board of Missions will meet Monday afternoon, July 2, at 3 o'clock with Mrs. Curran Hunt. The ladies of the Christian church are cordially invited.

We are requested to announce that the Haskell cemetery association will meet on next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the residence of Mr. S. S. Cummings. A full attendance of the members is requested.

See J. W. Dennington for architectural work. Plans for modern cottages at reasonable cost.

Mr. C. B. Dale and wife of Stamford were in Haskell a while Tuesday on their way to Welnert.

Mrs. Mildred Whitfield and niece, Miss Amelia Foster, of Mississippi, are visiting their brother and uncle, Mr. A. C. Foster of this place.

Mr. G. J. Clough, postmaster at the new postoffice of Vontress, was in town Wednesday.

We saw in town Monday from the southwest part of the county Messrs. John Atchison, Chas. and Vernon Davis, Rufus and Chas. Denson, C. J. Hanson and A. Fuller.

PROFESSIONAL.

DR. J. D. SMITH
Resident Dentist.
Office, over the Haskell National Bank.
Phone Office No. 81
Residence No. 72

DR. A. G. NEATHERY
Physician and Surgeon.
Office Northeast Corner Square.
Office phone.....No. 56.
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FRED BATCHELOR
Veterinary - Surgeon.
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EXAMINATIONS FREE
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J. T. KILLINGSWORTH, W. G.
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WALTER MEADOWS, Sec'y
Lodge meets every Thursday night.

E. SUTHERLIN'S
BARBER SHOP
Clean towels, sharp razors, prompt service and all work guaranteed to be first-class in every respect.
North side of Square.

BREWER & MILLER,
CONTRACTORS
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Plans Furnished Reasonable.
Estimates furnished on all kinds of work. Stair building and trimming a specialty. Will superintend work on reasonable terms.

ALL WORK FIRST-CLASS

J. W. DENNINGTON,
Architect and Supervisor.
Satisfaction Guaranteed.
OFFICE AT RESIDENCE.
We can sell you one section of land adjoining town. Good well and windmill, extra good house, 115 acres in farm, price \$10 per acre on reasonable terms. Address, NEAL, MORGAN & CARTER, Emma, Texas.

A WORD TO OUR CUSTOMERS AND FRIENDS:

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WE WISH TO SAY THAT we will be somewhat torn up and disarranged in our business while we are building our new house and we ask our customers and friends to bear with us for a little while and we promise when we get our new headquarters that we will give you the most convenient and up-to-date house to do your trading in to be found anywhere in this section of the country.

During the time of building we will keep our house furnished with all the goods suitable to the season, and we will have phones both in our dry goods and our grocery departments and will be always ready to respond to your wants.

RESPECTFULLY,

ALEXANDER MERCANTILE COMPANY.

Dissolution of Partnership.
This is to notify all whom it may concern that the firm of Tittle & Walker, composed of E. W. Tittle and T. P. Walker, doing a real estate business in the town of Haskell, Texas, was on the 11th day of June, 1906, dissolved by mutual consent of said parties.
E. W. TITTLE,
T. P. WALKER.

Sprained Ankle, Stiff Neck, Lame Shoulder.
These are three common ailments for which Chamberlain's Pain Balm is especially valuable. If promptly applied it will save you time, money and suffering when troubled with any one of these ailments. For sale at Terrells Drug Store.

Jersey Cows for Sale.
75 head of Jersey cows and heifers for sale or trade for fat cattle.
See C. P. Morris or W. T. Hudson, Haskell.

Something For Nothing.
If any of our readers are troubled with Constipation, Biliousness, Sick-headache or Indigestion, cut out this notice and present it at Terrells drug store and they will supply you with a sample bottle of Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup, free. Re-Go is a cure for these diseases. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold at Terrells Drug Store.

It's money saved to you if you go to S. L. Robertson's and get all the dry goods you need at actual cost.

Mrs. S. W. Scott is giving her Sunday school class and a few friends an all day outing and fish fry today off Mr. Scott's ranch on California Creek, about 14 miles southeast of town. Several young men were sent down Thursday afternoon with a boat and fishing tackle to catch fish and make preparation for the fry today.

NOTICE.
Owing to the fact that we have sold out in Stamford, it becomes necessary that all persons indebted to Burton Lingo Co. at Stamford arrange a speedy settlement of their accounts. To those interested, we ask you to take due notice of this and avoid being dunned, and save us unnecessary trouble and expense.
Yours truly,
BURTON LINGO CO.
by M. O. KERLEY.

STAMFORD MARBLE WORKS,
AYCOCK & SHIPMAN, Proprs.

We have just established a well equipped marble works at Stamford and are prepared to execute promptly orders for tombstones and monuments of the best workmanship of any style or design. Call at yard or see local agent.

T. E. BOWMAN,
Haskell, Tex.

Elmwood Camp No. 24.
T. B. Russell, Com. Com.
Joe Irby, Clerk.
Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.
Visiting sovereigns invited.

W. N. MEREDITH
Architect and Superintendent.
Estimates and Sketches
FREE of CHARGE.
OFFICE—over Collier's Drug Store.
Phone No. 72. Haskell, - Texas.

NOTICE.
TO THE PUBLIC:
I have recently moved to your town and engaged in the draying business. I have had about eight years experience in this work and will appreciate a share of your business. I will give prompt attention to all work entrusted to me. Can haul anything from one to three thousand pounds, or lumber from one to a thousand feet, any length, at a load. My dray has only two wheels and one horse.
ED THORNTON.

The way to get your summer's supply of dry good, clothing, hats, etc at cost is to dig up a little cash and go to S. L. Robertson's—in new store near postoffice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.
The FREE PRESS is authorized to announce as candidates the persons named below for the office designated next preceding the name of each, subject to the Democratic primary, July 28, '06.

For Judge 39th Judicial district:
H. B. JONES
JNO. B. THOMAS
C. C. HIGGINS

For Representative 104 District:
R. P. DIMMITT

For County Judge:
JOE IRBY
B. M. WHITEKER

For County and District Clerk:
J. W. MEADORS

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:
M. E. PARK
J. W. COLLINS

For Assessor of Taxes:
T. J. HEAD
S. E. CAROTHERS
S. R. (Bank) RIFE

For County Treasurer:
ABEL JONES
R. D. C. STEPHENS
MCMILL CLAYTON

For County Attorney:
J. E. WILFONG
OSCAR MARTIN

For Public Weigher, Pre. 1:
W. E. UNDERWOOD
W. T. JONES
E. W. WILLIAMS
J. M. BLAKELEY

For Public Weigher, Pre. No. 4:
A. F. SMITH

For Justice of Peace, Pre. No. 1:
S. V. JONES
G. W. LAMKIN

For Constable of Pre. No. 1:
R. E. DE BARD.

For Commissioner, Pre. No. 1:
JOHN F. GILLILAND
W. S. FOUTS
S. V. JONES

For Commissioner Pre. No. 3:
S. J. SHY

For Commissioner Pre. No. 4:
G. W. PILLEY.
W. E. WATTS

One of the best bargains on the Plains at \$5.50 per acre, ten sections six miles from county seat, all fenced and well watered, all good farming land, could be cut in 160 acre blocks. No waste land. Write, NEAL, MORGAN & CARTER, Emma, Texas.

Bedrock printer and printer's ink bring business to a town.

The CONVICT COUNTRY: OR FIGHTING for a MILLION

BY CHARLES MORRIS BUTLER
Author of "The Revenge of Power," "A Tempest Tragedy," "Anita," Etc.

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CHAPTER XXI.

The Attempted Assassination of Lang.

The promptness of Schiller in sentencing Lang to fight a duel gave Golden no opportunity to appeal to the people to throw safeguards around his protégé. It was Louis' fate to again pit himself in mortal combat against human being—and that too, without preparation.

Louis, in being notified of his sentence, realized the pit he had fallen into in striking Schiller. He felt that his life would pay the forfeit of his folly. Even if he succeeded in killing his antagonist, which was extremely doubtful at the best, what was to hinder Schiller from condemning him to perform many other feats of skill and strength—one of which undoubtedly could be devised which would silence him forever?

Before Golden retired for the night, Schiller managed to have him duly ordered to make inspection of the outposts. As Paradise Peter and his sentinels had been killed by Lang, he could not raise objection to being ordered to strengthen the guards, and thus was easily got out of the way for the time-being.

In the morning Rogers paid his customary visits to the mines to oversee his regular work, and an order kept him there until far into the night.

Wilson, being convicted of a crime, was not his own free agent, so was unable to assist Lang in any way.

Upon the statute books of paradise is a rule to the effect that "any person convicted of a crime and given a penalty who does not answer to his name when the penalty is to be executed, lays himself liable to forfeiture of life without the chance." It was hoped by Schiller that Lang being a stranger, would by some means be delayed from answering to his charge and thus forfeit his privilege!

Louis, for the want of proper care and nourishment, was delirious from pain in his head, and lay with a fever

absence. She heard rumors in relation to the fact that he had run away to escape fighting his duel but she could not believe this. In the first place, to her, it would have been impossible for him to escape; in the second place, she did not imagine that Lang would abandon her—she had that much confidence in him. At last she could hear the murmurs of the mob, the threats of violence, and in desperation she sought him out. It was well for Lang that he had one true friend free to aid him, for if any one truly needed a friend it was our hero.

Lang attempted to get up several times during the day, but the pain in his head, which brought on a raging headache made it almost impossible for him to remain on his feet. He was in such a condition of mental and physical pain that he hardly cared what became of him later. If only he obtained cessation from pain temporarily. Toward evening he arose, dressed, and in a manner attempted to bring his body subject to his mind. Weak from the loss of blood and famished for drink he sank down upon the floor exhausted.

Pearl, knowing, of course, where Lang had been taken, had no difficulty when she set out to find Louis in finding Rogers' home. When she knocked upon the door for admittance, she summoned enough courage to push her way in without waiting for an answer to the knock. She found Louis lying upon the floor in a half-conscious condition.

"My poor boy," she said, tenderly raising up his head and resting it in her lap, "what ails you?"

Louis did not speak, but he opened his eyes in a dazed manner as if trying to imagine whose face it was he looked into.

She shook him gently: "Rouse yourself! Don't you understand the risk you are running in staying here? If

I would do the same thing again if I had the chance! Only I would kill Schiller the next time!"

"Knowing the danger you run, you would still risk all to protect me?" she said insinuatingly.

"Why not," he asked in surprise.

"I did not expect to find a—a friend like you in such a place as this!" she said.

"Miss Huntington, said Louis, glancing at the clock, "I appreciate what you have done for me. I understand my position. I have one chance in a thousand of ever leaving Paradise even if I escape to-night. If you did not consider me beneath you I might make myself contented here if I win the day! I would not care how the battle went if I felt that after I was gone you would have a protector. But, fear not; I must, I will win!"

"What can I say or do to cheer you up? How can I ever reward you for your kindness to me?"

"I am rewarded sufficiently," he said, "knowing that you appreciate me, and do not attribute my actions to any unworthy motive."

"I consider you an honorable man," she explained, "and if—hesitatingly—"

"And if I were not a criminal, a desperate scoundrel, you could—"

"I could learn to love you!" smiling through tears which unbidden stole to her eyes.

Louis looked at her in amazement. "Are you positive that you do not love me as it is?" he asked, grasping her hand in his own.

"Perhaps I do," she said without hesitation, "but it would make me feel far happier to know that I had not thrown my love away where gratitude alone would be sufficient!"

Louis drew her unresistingly to him and kissed her. "Trust me," he said, "I can see you have guessed the truth. With your love to strengthen me I can carry the day."

Louis glanced at the clock. It lacked only a few minutes of the time when he should appear to fight his duel.

"It is time for action!" he cried, "I must go!"

"I will go with you!" she exclaimed.

At precisely eight o'clock, King Schiller rose from his throne, or in the box commanding the view of the pit in the amphitheater, and after bowing to the populace seated around him, said:

"Bring up the combatants!"

Largo, the Italian, the keeper of the beasts, stepped into the ring through an entrance from the rear, and behind him stalked the massive being Whalen, whom Louis was to fight. There was a murmur of admiration at his appearance, followed by hisses when it was discovered that Lang was not in the company.

"Where is this Lang?" demanded Schiller, as if surprised.

There was a commotion at the main entrance! In stalked our hero, hatless, and spotted with blood! He was supporting his wife upon his arm.

"I am here!" he cried.

Before recording what came next in our hero's life we may as well explain a few of Schiller's actions. It was that honorable and most august person's intention to have Louis killed or maimed before he reached "the hall of justice."

Schiller was playing a desperate game. He knew that he was not loved by his subjects. He had more than his throne at stake—his very life—and a fortune. His game was to dispose of Lang and to regain Pearl. By threats of torture he expected to compel Dr. Huntington to acknowledge himself heir of "Chesterlee Estate"—of which Huntington through strange fortune now was the only descendant. By marriage with Pearl, as the only child, Schiller meant to become possessor of the immense fortune. This could only be done by disposing of Louis and remaining in a position to subdue the doctor.

Not once had the thought entered Louis' mind of escaping. The hooting of the mob, which roused him to action, partially prepared him for the worst. Ere he left the house he armed himself with his trusty billy. It was well he did so. He had not taken a dozen steps from the house when some one whirled his wife from his arm, while a second form made a murderous strike at him with a club! But Louis was not asleep. He hit one away, then another, and before his assailants had accomplished their purpose he laid both bleeding at his feet!

Even at its best, our hero was almost too late. The clock had ceased vibrating after striking the fatal hour of eight. It was only by the greatest difficulty that he arrived at the door of the amphitheater just as Schiller put the question, "Where is this Lang?"

"I am here!" cried our hero; and while the vast crowd rose up to catch a glimpse of the daring man, as if he had been in the building a thousand times he marched his trembling wife down the long aisle and seated her in the box assigned for the concubine, and with a leap sprang over the wall of the pit into the arena.

(To be continued.)

INVESTMENT IN MOTH BALLS

Manner of Using the Preventive That Proved to Be a Signal Failure.

A State street druggist, telling of the quaint characters whom he encounters in his business, recently said: "Late one afternoon one of the 'ould sods' ambled up to the counter. 'Hov yez onything good to kill moths?' he asked, relates the Chicago Record-Herald.

"Yes," said I, "we have moth balls, the best reemly known."

"Give me tin cints' worth, thin," says he.

"I made up the package, handed it to him, and he ambled off again. I had forgotten all about my customer until about four o'clock the next afternoon, when I was forcibly reminded of the transaction of the day before. After I had waited on my customers in their turn I walked over to another counter and was there confronted with my moth-ball investor. Without giving me time to make an inquiry, he said:

"Are yez the young mon that sold me thin things yistidly?" showing me the remains of about half a dozen of the white balls.

"I answered in the affirmative, and also inquired what the trouble was.

"Av all the con games I've run up against in me time, this bates thin all," he said. "To think of onyone running a decent down-town store selling the likes of thin things to kill moths with, or onything else, for the matter of that. They might be all right for playing marbles, but for killin' moths, niver. I may not be as young as yez are, young mon, but I'm just as stiddy, and I want to tell you wan thing. If yez can show me the man or woman that can throw wan of thin balls quick enough to kill a moth I'll not only ate ivry wan of thin yez have in stock, but I'll say nothin' about the picture the ould woman and meself broke in the foine little game yez would have us play."

"There is one advantage in this business," mused the expert gardener, as he stood in his orchard. "It is grafting all the time, but you can always get the public to swallow it."—Baltimore American.

There may not be more than two inches of strawberries, but think of the size of the box with the lumber higher every day.—Detroit Free Press.

Nobody who understands the law of prices will wonder at a man making himself scarce when he feels cheap.—Puck.

There is always room at the top, of course, but sometimes it's a whole lot more sociable at the bottom.—Puck.

You never make a mistake by talking to a man about himself.

GRIST OF GRINS.

Eddie—"Say, uncle, what's radium?"

Uncle—"Aw, that's the stuff they make radiators of."

"Father, what's the difference between a lunch and a luncheon?"

"About a dollar and a quarter, my boy."

"How did you get that black eye, Willie?"

"I got dat," replied Willie, disgustedly, "by waitin' to count ten when I was angry, like you told me to."

Nervous Old Lady (on seventh floor of hotel)—"Do you know what precautions the proprietor of the hotel has taken against fire?"

Porter—"Yes, mam; he has the place inshowered for twice wet it's worth."

"Well, Mr. Lambkin, how do you like being married?"

"Not in the least. I am no longer allowed to smoke, to drink or to go out alone." "Then you must be sorry you married." "I am not allowed to be sorry, either."

Mrs. Nibbs—"Why were you so absurd as to tell Bibbs at the dinner table that you can tell an old turkey from a young one by the teeth?"

Nibbs—"So I can." Mrs. Nibbs—"Nonsense. Turkeys have no teeth."—Nibbs—"Well, I have."

FOREIGN FINANCE.

Great Britain's public revenue for April, the first month of the fiscal year, amounted to £418,895, and expenditures, £21,360,361.

New capital issued in London from January 1 to May 5, amounted to \$288,788,915, as against \$434,216,503 in the same period in 1902.

Total operations of the Bank of Japan in the year 1903 amounted to \$14,578,127,060, an increase of \$5,744,106,420 compared with 1904.

The annual report of the Banque de Paris for 1905 shows that net profits amounted to only 10,804,883 francs, against 19,411,421 francs in 1904.

A loan of 100,000,000 francs will be shortly put on the Paris market for the French colonies in West Africa. The greater part is intended for Senegal and the Upper Niger, to improve the navigation on the two rivers.

No Such Temerity.

Meekly—"Yes, we're going to move to Swam;hurst."

Doctor—"But the climate there may disagree with your wife."

"It wouldn't dare!"—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

There's no use telling a girl she is pretty; to do the work you must tell her she is the prettiest one you ever saw.—N. Y. Press.

Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar. Made of extra quality tobacco. Your dealer or Lewis' factory, Peoria, Ill.

The mare is by no means singular. Everything goes, where money is the motive.—Puck.

BEYOND OUR BORDERS.

An official estimate places the acreage of timber in British Columbia at present at 182,760,000 acres.

The number of quart bottles of champagne in the French caves last year was 109,968,363.

The sugarcane estates of the West Indies have been made vastly more profitable by the introduction of steam plows and other labor-saving devices.

A London dentist has made a proposal of marriage in one of the most novel ways which have yet come to light. He fell in love with an elderly patient who ordered a set of false teeth from him. When the teeth were delivered the woman found a neat proposal engraved on the plate which held the teeth.

The British Zeitung am Mittag says that a Russian some time ago gave a ring worth \$250 to a newspaper seller in the Friedrichstrasse for three copies of the Zeitung am Mittag. The period fixed by law during which the Russian could have regained possession of the ring recently expired, and the police have informed the newspaper seller that the ring is his lawful property.

It is estimated that from 400,000 to 500,000 natives have died in Africa of sleeping sickness in the last ten years. The disease is, moreover, spreading with alarming rapidity, yet nothing is done to check it. The weight of opinion is that no person once infected ever recovers. Despite its name, sleep is not an important symptom, as it occurs only towards the end of the disease in a small number of cases.

A curious case of museum robbery is engaging attention at Weimar. An agent offered some time ago to the Goethe-Schiller museum a series of Gothic manuscripts, which on examination proved to have been stolen from the museum itself. The agent explained that he had received them in good faith from a well-known antiquarian in Berlin. A search of the antiquarian's house brought to light many other documents belonging to the Weimar museum.

It's Fine.

C. M. Johnson, of Louisville, Ky., writes:

"I have used your Hunt's Cure and it is fine."

We have many similar letters. Hunt's Cure is a strictly guaranteed remedy for any variety of skin diseases. It stops itching instantaneously.

Really an Awful Affair.

She—He married her for her money. Wasn't that awful?

He—Did he get it?

"No."

"It was."—Judge.

You may have observed that dress-makers never seem to tire of their efforts to improve on the work of nature.



Opened his eyes in a dazed manner as if trying to imagine whose face it was he looked into.

In a semi-stupor very nearly the whole day. In such sentences as his, the participants, in usual cases, took pains to show themselves quite frequently in the streets to show the people that they were expecting to be on hand when called. As Louis did not appear, rumors were circulated around to the effect that he had run away or was keeping himself in hiding to escape the ordeal.

Perhaps Louis Lang would never have mastered up sufficient courage to face the mob that was clamoring for his blood, but for the interposition of Pearl Huntington. Pearl at last realized the value of the man whom she was forced to accept as her husband. Whether Louis was a criminal or not it made little difference to her—he was a man, and she loved him!

Golden before he rode away on his mission, explained to Pearl that as the wife of Lang, she would be expected to witness the test of strength between him and Whalen, no matter how trying or revolting it might be to her. She was not notified officially of this fact, any more than had Lang been notified that he had been sentenced, but she knew enough now of arbitrary law to understand that ignorance or technicality would not save her or him. When she came to the conclusion that she loved Louis for his noble devotion to her cause (she could think of no other solution of his actions but that he in return loved her) the first thing she wanted to do was to place herself in some position to encourage him with her sympathy.

All day long Pearl sat in the parlor of Golden's home waiting patiently for the appearance of Lang, but he came not. Up till a late hour she had no thought that our hero was prostrated from the effect of his wound, and was at a loss to understand his

you do not appear to fight your duel, you will be torn limb for limb!"

Louis, with an effort, struggled to his feet. "Why are you here?" he cried recognizing her.

"I have come to save you!" she answered.

"Save me from what?" he questioned in astonishment.

"Don't you know that you are to fight a duel tonight?"

The momentary unconsciousness disappeared. "I don't understand," he said. "I knew I was to fight for my life, but did not know that it was tonight!"

"To-night," she said, "and unless you appear to carry out your sentence I am afraid you will be lynched!"

"I realize my position now. I understand why Golden and Rogers have not been to see me; they have been spirited away; and unless I arrive upon the scene in time, I forfeit my chance of possibly killing my antagonist, if I am able! I am in no fit condition to battle for my life to-night."

"You are alone—you must fight for your life alone! The life you risked for me!" she cried passionately, gazing with kindness into his eyes. What made you interfere to save me?"

A bandage around his head; a drink of brandy from a decanter, and despite his weariness, Louis was partly himself again. "Because in you I saw purity and innocence being wronged." For a moment he forgot the light he stood in before her. In her eyes he could be nothing but a hard-hearted criminal and people of his suspected calibre are not supposed to have souls like other men.

"You understood the danger you were running?" she asked.

"Yes, I understood," he said, "and

Giant of Spider Family.

The giant of the whole spider family is the "humb" or "dug" spider of Madagascar. Its body weighs almost a pound and each of its eight legs is longer and larger in diameter than the common cedar pencil.

Fish in Chinese Canals.

The canals which form a network throughout a great part of China abound in fish. The ricefields, which are irrigated with the water from these canals, make ideal hatching places for them.

Busy London Pawnbrokers.

Over 15,000,000 visits are paid every year to London pawnbrokers. The exact figures are on an average 50,300 a day. Throughout the whole country the number of pledges is said to amount to 199,000,000 per annum.

Joseph Shaved Himself.

The earliest known mention of shaving is in the Bible (Genesis 4:14): "And he (Joseph) shaved himself and came before Pharaoh." Shaving the beard was introduced by the Romans about 309 B. C.

First Church Bells.

The earliest mention of bells as applied for purposes of Christian worship is by Polydore Vergil, who states that Paulinus, Bishop of Nola, a city of Campania, in Italy, first adapted them to his church, in the year 409.

Frozen Soil of Siberia.

The soil of Siberia at the close of the summer is found still frozen for 56 inches beneath the surface, and the dead that have lain in their coffins for 150 years have been taken up unchanged in the last.

Save the Babies.

INFANT MORTALITY is something frightful. We can hardly realize that of all the children born in civilized countries, twentytwo per cent., or nearly one-quarter, die before they reach one year; thirtyseven per cent., or more than one-third, before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen!

We do not hesitate to say that a timely use of Castoria would save a majority of these precious lives. Neither do we hesitate to say that many of these infantile deaths are occasioned by the use of narcotic preparations. Drops, tinctures and soothing syrups sold for children's complaints contain more or less opium, or morphine. They are, in considerable quantities, deadly poisons. In any quantity they stupefy, retard circulation and lead to congestions, sickness, death. Castoria operates exactly the reverse, but you must see that it bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. Castoria causes the blood to circulate properly, opens the pores of the skin and allays fever.

Letters from Prominent Physicians addressed to Chas. H. Fletcher.

Dr. A. F. Peeler, of St. Louis, Mo., says: "I have prescribed your Castoria in many cases and have always found it an efficient and speedy remedy."

Dr. E. Down, of Philadelphia, Pa., says: "I have prescribed your Castoria in my practice for many years with great satisfaction to myself and benefit to my patients."

Dr. J. E. Waggoner, of Chicago, Ill., says: "I can most heartily recommend your Castoria to the public as a remedy for children's complaints. I have tried it and found it of great value."

Dr. Edward Parrish, of Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "I have used your Castoria in my own household with good results, and have advised several patients to use it for its mild laxative effect and freedom from harm."

Dr. J. B. Elliott, of New York City, says: "Having during the past six years prescribed your Castoria for infantile stomach disorders, I most heartily commend its use. The formula contains nothing deleterious to the most delicate of children."

Dr. C. G. Sprague, of Omaha, Neb., says: "Your Castoria is an ideal medicine for children, and I frequently prescribe it. While I do not advocate the indiscriminate use of proprietary medicines, yet Castoria is an exception for conditions which arise in the care of children."

Dr. J. A. Parker, of Kansas City, Mo., says: "Your Castoria holds the esteem of the medical profession in a manner held by no other proprietary preparation. It is a sure and reliable medicine for infants and children. In fact, it is the universal household remedy for infantile ailments."

Dr. H. F. Merrill, of Augusta, Me., says: "Castoria is one of the very finest and most remarkable remedies for infants and children. In my opinion your Castoria has saved thousands from an early grave. I can furnish hundreds of testimonials from this locality as to its efficiency and merit."

Dr. Norman M. Geer, of Cleveland, Ohio, says: "During the last twelve years I have frequently recommended your Castoria as one of the best preparations of the kind, being safe in the hands of parents and very effective in relieving children's disorders, while the ease with which such a pleasant preparation can be administered is a great advantage."

Dr. F. H. Kyle, of St. Paul, Minn., says: "It affords me pleasure to add my name to the long list of those who have used and now endorse your Castoria. The fact of the ingredients being known through the printing of the formula on the wrapper is one good and sufficient reason for the recommendation of any physician. I know of its good qualities and recommend it cheerfully."

GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS Bears the Signature of

The Kind You Have Always Bought In Use For Over 30 Years.

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, 37 BUREAU ST., NEW YORK CITY.

ALL HAIL PE-RU-NA.

A Case of
STOMACH CATARRH.



Miss Mary O'Brien, 306 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., writes: "Peruna cured me in five weeks of catarrh of the stomach, after suffering for four years and doctoring without effect. In common with other grateful ones who have been benefited by your discovery, I say, All hail to Peruna."

Mr. H. J. Henneman, Oakland, Neb., writes:

"I waited before writing to you about my sickness, catarrh of the stomach, which I had over a year ago. There were people who told me it would not stay cured, but I am sure that I am cured, for I do not feel any more ill effects, have a good appetite and am getting fat. So I am, and will say to all, I am cured for good."

"I thank you for your kindness. Peruna will be our house medicine hereafter."

Catarrh of the stomach is also known in common parlance as dyspepsia, gastritis and indigestion. No medicine will be of any permanent benefit except it removes the catarrh.

A Great Tonic.

Mr. Austin M. Small, Astoria, Ore., writes: "During the hot weather of the past summer I lost my appetite. I tried Peruna, and found it pleasant to take, a splendid appetizer and a great tonic."

QUEER DOINGS OF MEN.

A man will always stir his coffee before drinking it. This is very foolish—he should taste it first to see if it needs stirring.

A man subjects the point of his pen to careful scrutiny before commencing to write a letter. A woman starts right off—jabs her pen in the inkpot and straightway begins to scribble as if her life depended on it.

Few men open their personal correspondence without looking at the postmarks to see the time of posting. Women on the other hand, tear open the envelope at once—they are in too much of a hurry to waste any time.

It is the man who lets out secrets—not by telling them, but by ill-timed silences. He does worse—by refusing to gratify the curiosity of his questioners he invariably causes them to jump to conclusions much more damaging than the truth of the matter.

It is the man who reads with his book to the light, holding his book in one hand. Herein lies wisdom. A woman rests her book on the table and leans both elbows thereon. But the foolishness of the man's act lies in the fact that he is seeking comfort and seldom takes this position because it is the most scientific one. Of course, he finds it isn't comfortable—his arm aches after the first ten minutes, whereupon he puts his book down and remarks he is going out.

Mixed.

The Paying Teller (in the Day and Night bank, scrutinizing check)—How'll you have it?

Mr. Lushington.—Just th' same—only don't put so much selzer in it—Puck.

Flattery and the Sex.

He—it was decided some time ago that the mails could carry soft soap. She—Umph I didn't know the capacity of males for soft soap had ever been questioned.—Baltimore American.

THE DOCTOR'S WIFE

Agrees with Him About Food.

A trained nurse says: "In the practice of my profession I have found so many points in favor of Grape-Nuts food that I unhesitatingly recommend it to all my patients."

"It is delicate and pleasing to the palate (an essential in food for the sick) and can be adapted to all ages, being softened with milk or cream for babies or the aged when deficiency of teeth renders mastication impossible. For fever patients or those on liquid diet I find Grape-Nuts and albumen water very nourishing and refreshing. This recipe is my own idea and is made as follows: Soak a teaspoonful of Grape-Nuts in a glass of water for an hour, strain and serve with the beaten white of an egg and a spoonful of fruit juice or flavoring. This affords a great deal of nourishment that even the weakest stomach can assimilate without any distress."

"My husband is a physician and he uses Grape-Nuts himself and orders it many times for his patients."

"Personally I regard a dish of Grape-Nuts with fresh or stewed fruit as the ideal breakfast for anyone—well or sick." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

In any case of stomach trouble, nervous prostration or brain fog, a 10 days' trial of Grape-Nuts will work wonders toward nourishing and rebuilding, and in this way ending the trouble. "There's a reason" and trial proves.

Look in pags. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."

In the Wrong Office.

Pedler—My dear sir, do you know how much time you lose dipping a pen into the ink? Ten dips a minute means 600 dips an hour or 6,000 dips in ten hours, and each dip consumes—

Business Man—Yes, I know; I have figured it all out.

Pedler—And yet I find you still writing in the old way.

Business Man—Yes, I am using the fountain pen you sold me about a month ago—using it in the old way because it won't write any other way.

Pedler—Beg pardon; I'm in the wrong office. Good day.—N. Y. Weekly.

Minus.

"When our heireses bring back foreign noblemen with them, when they return from Europe, it's a wonder the government doesn't charge them duty."

"Huh! If the duty were 'ad valorem' the government would be valoring the heireses money."—Philadelphia Press.

An Optimist.

"Blank started out to be a rose specialist, but the insects ate up his flowers so fast he had to give it up."

"Wasn't he discouraged?"

"No, he found so many interesting varieties of bugs, he went in for that subject, and now he's just as enthusiastic over bugs as he was over flowers!"—Detroit Free Press.

The Little Bent Pin.

"Huh!" sneered the bright new safety-pin. "You are not in the same class with me."

"Oh! you haven't any cause to be stuck-up," retorted the ordinary pin. "Speaking of classes, some of us have occupied professor's chairs in the foremost schools and colleges."—Philadelphia Press.

A Compromise.

Mrs. Housekeep—Want something to eat, eh? Now, I don't suppose you'd be willing to saw some wood for me.

Hungry Higgins—Well—er—no, ma'am; that's purty hard work fur a hot day. Now, if it was wintertime I'd be willin' to shovel a little snow fur ye.—Philadelphia Press.

Collected.

"Correspondent wants to know who are the greatest stamp collectors in the country," said the assistant briefly. "Does he inclose stamp for reply?" answered the editor.

"Yes."

"Then tell him we are."—Chicago Daily News.

Great Invention.

"The chap who invented wireless telegraphy is certainly a genius," remarked the man from Ohio.

"Mebbe he is, sah," rejoined the Kentucky colonel, "but he ain't in it with the moonshiner in oah state who invented snakeless liquor, sah."—Chicago Daily News.

Solstice and Girls.

Joshua had just commanded the sun to stand still.

"How lovely!" cried the summer resort girls; "we will have a chance to wear more stunning frocks in one day."

Herewith they promptly hustled off to change.—N. Y. Sun.

Starting the Bores.

"Don't you know that when you ask your little girl to recite it makes everybody feel like going home?"

"Yes."

"Then why do you do it?"

"That's why."—Washington Star.

A SURE WAY.



The Bride—Let's act so that no one will know we have just been married.

The Groom—All right. Then you carry the suit case.—Rochester Democrat and Chronicle.

In the Present Emergency.

The optimistic thing to do is to philosophize; For every man must eat his peck Of dirt before he dies.

—Chicago Tribune.

Exactly.

Teacher—Now, Robert, do you know what an isosceles triangle is?

Boy—Yes'm.

Teacher—Well, what is it?

Boy—It's one uv dem t'ings I gets hicked for not knowin' what it is.—Judge.

Taking Issue.

"You will live to regret talking that way to me!" tearfully spoke Miss Penchley.

"I sincerely hope not," replied Miss Tartan. "I should be awfully sorry to live till the world comes to an end."—Chicago Tribune.

The Grammatical Prisoner.

"And when he said skiddoo what did you do?" asked the judge.

"I skiddid, your honor," said the prisoner.—Judge.

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY.

A "Plain an' Pinterd" Duty That Was Not to Be Misunderstood.

Deacon Smith and Deacon Jones were pillars of an Alabama colored country church. One day while storing hay in their employer's barn, Deacon Jones came upon a hen's nest in which reposed a dozen large, white eggs, relates the American Spectator.

"Now, what us gwine do bout dis layah?" he demanded.

"Er, reckon we mout take 'em up ter de big house?" Deacon Smith suggested, without enthusiasm.

"Now, how we know dat hen blong ter Mars Will?" Bro. Jones objected.

"No, sah! Can't take no chance on gibbin' Mars Will some yuther man's eggs!"

"Mout leave dem hyah, den," was the useful reply.

"Now, lookyere, Bro' Smif, Ah's sprisal at yo! Don' de church teach us ter be kind ter all critters? And don' yo' think dat 'clodes hens? Ef we wuster leave dem aggs hyah, dat po' lil' hen woul' think day warn't 'precalated, an' feel bad bout hit. No, sah! Ouh plain an' pinterd duty am ter take dem aggs out yonder in dat pine thicket whar nobody wou'n see de smoke, an' roast 'em."

—Detroit Free Press.

AGGRAVATING ECZEMA.

Troubled Badly for Several Years with Eczema on Limbs—Another Wonderful Cure by Cuticura.

"For several years I was troubled badly with an eczema on my limbs and wrists. Physicians in several towns had prescribed for me without giving me any results. I had often used Cuticura Ointment and received relief temporarily. In the spring of 1904 I took the Cuticura Resolvent Pills and used the Cuticura Ointment for about five weeks and at the end of that time there was not a blotch on me anywhere. This spring I took a few vials of the Cuticura Resolvent Pills as a precautionary measure, and will continue to do so every spring simply as a spring tonic, as they are so easy to carry with you, and they certainly fix your blood for the ensuing year. I now use only Cuticura Soap. The Cuticura Ointment and Pills certainly cured me of an aggravated case of eczema. St. Clair McVicar, San Antonio, Texas, July 6, 1905."

AMATEUR AERONAUTICS.

Do not stick pins into the envelope, even if the balloon is a stationary one.

Never leave the car while in motion—especially when at a considerable altitude. It hurts.

Do not throw out empty bottles when passing over densely populated urban rural districts; they will only get broken.

Should your grappling-iron "grapple" a harmless old gentleman and lift him off his feet, do not be too angry with him; let him down gently.

When passing over a friend's estate try and resist the temptation of dropping a sand-bag through his conservatory; somebody may be there, and besides, your friend may be a retailer and a first-class rifle shot.

For Twenty Years.

Other chill remedies have sprung up, flourished for a brief season, then passed away—even from memory—but for twenty long years Cheatham's Chill Tonic has been in the field of action. The reason is simple. It has the merit. It actually cures Chills and Fevers while the majority of others merely promise to. One bottle guaranteed to cure any one case.

Good Test of the Dog. Suburbanite (to visitor)—Oh, how are you? Come right in. Don't mind the dog.

Visitor—But won't he bite?

"That's just what I want to see. I only bought that watchdog this morning."—La Rive.

The Soft Is Hard.

"And don't you ever indulge in any soft drinks?"

"No, never."

"Why not?"

"They're too hard on my stomach."—Chicago Tribune.

Up to Him.

Regular Boarder—How many more times am I going to see this same piece of pie?

Waiter—Dunno, sir. The boss told me to keep giving it to you till you eat it.—Detroit Free Press.

Do You Itch?

The cup of human misery is never quite full until some form of itching skin disease is added. Then it overflows. Hunt's Cure is a specific for any itching trouble ever known. One application relieves. One box is guaranteed to cure any one case.

A man finds it easier to boast of the glories of the past if there are not a few old-timers around who remember it even better than he does himself.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, soothes the gums, reduces inflammation, always cures wind colic. Use a bottle.

Few girls would improve their intellects at the expense of their shape.

You can generally size up a man by the things he doesn't do.



WHAT JOY THEY BRING TO EVERY HOME

as with joyous hearts and smiling faces they romp and play—when in health—and how conducive to health the games in which they indulge, the outdoor life they enjoy, the cleanly, regular habits they should be taught to form and the wholesome diet of which they should partake. How tenderly their health should be preserved, not by constant medication, but by careful avoidance of every medicine of an injurious or objectionable nature, and if at any time a remedial agent is required, to assist nature, only those of known excellence should be used; remedies which are pure and wholesome and truly beneficial in effect, like the pleasant laxative remedy, Syrup of Figs, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. Syrup of Figs has come into general favor in many millions of well informed families, whose estimate of its quality and excellence is based upon personal knowledge and use.

Syrup of Figs has also met with the approval of physicians generally, because they know it is wholesome, simple and gentle in its action. We inform all reputable physicians as to the medicinal principles of Syrup of Figs, obtained by an original method, from certain plants known to them to act most beneficially and presented in an agreeable syrup in which the wholesome Californian blue figs are used to promote the pleasant taste; therefore it is not a secret remedy and hence we are free to refer to all well informed physicians, who do not approve of patent medicines and never favor indiscriminate self-medication.

Please to remember and teach your children also that the genuine Syrup of Figs always has the full name of the Company—California Fig Syrup Co.—plainly printed on the front of every package and that it is for sale in bottles of one size only. If any dealer offers any other than the regular Fifty cent size, or having printed thereon the name of any other company, do not accept it. If you fail to get the genuine you will not get its beneficial effects. Every family should always have a bottle on hand, as it is equally beneficial for the parents and the children, whenever a laxative remedy is required.

GENERAL GLEANINGS

The king of Ashanti has 3,332 wives. A young Jones is born every 40 minutes.

The number of known stars exceeds 100,000,000.

Contributors to the London Times are paid \$25 a column.

One man in six in the American navy is a total abstainer.

The parrot appreciates music more than any other of the lower animals.

Over 20,000,000 leeches were used annually 25 years ago, but now not 1,000,000 a year are used.

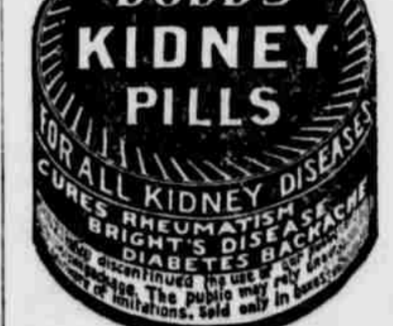
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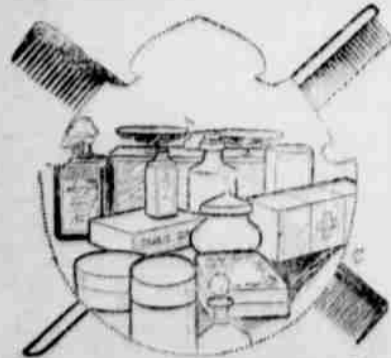
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CARD OF THANKS.

TO THE PUBLIC:
We desire to express our thanks to the many friends and good people of Haskell a thousand times who so kindly and generously rendered their assistance to us in our dark hour of misfortune when the flames had swept away our all. It is hard to write this card because we can not begin to find words to express our appreciation.
We hope, dear friends, with the aid of God we will be able to render you and yours assistance, should misfortune befall any.
These are the words of Mr. Sill Thompson: "If there were ever any good Christian people on earth they certainly are in Haskell."
Respectfully,
MR. and MRS. CHARLIE THOMPSON.
Found a Cure for Dyspepsia.

Mrs. S. Lindsay, of Fort William, Ontario, Canada, who has suffered quite a number of years from dyspepsia and great pains in the stomach, was advised by her druggist to take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. She did so and says, "I find that they have done me a great deal of good. I have never had any suffering since I began using them." If troubled with dyspepsia or indigestion why not take these Tablets, get well and stay well? For sale at Terrell's Drug Store.

LAND-LOANS.

We are prepared to get you a loan on lands on very short notice. Come to see us about this matter and we will inspect your lands and get money in very few days.
Lands and town lots—We are FIXED on this line and are prepared to give the best bargains in town.
Come to see us at our office on the north side of the public square.
WEST TEXAS DEVELOPMENT CO.,
Haskell, - Texas.

R. P. Dimmitt for Representative.

Hon. R. P. Dimmitt of Knox county, representative of this the 104 district, was in Haskell last week and authorized the FREE PRESS to announce him as a candidate for re-election to said office. Mr. Dimmitt said that he had waited till almost the last moment before announcing, rather hoping that some other man would put in a bid for the place, but as no one had done so he had decided to again stand for the place. He said, however, that he did not feel the indifference to the office which his dilatory announcement might indicate and he would appreciate the honor conferred upon him if the people should see fit to again give him the nomination.

Mr. Dimmitt spoke truly when he said that few members could wield a great influence or accomplish a great deal in legislation during a first term in the house or senate and that it required the experience of one term to get acquainted with the ways of legislation and the methods of doing effective work, and he felt that if sent back for another term he would go much better equipped to render his constituency effective service than he was during his first term.

Mr. Dimmitt says that he considers the devising and enacting into law of a system of taxation that will be just and equitable and produce an equalization of values throughout the State one of the most important questions with which the next legislature will have to wrestle and one of his chief efforts will be to aid in such legislation. That as to other matters, he will be guided by the best judgment he can bring to bear upon them, having always in view the expressed will and interests of his constituency.

Mr. Dimmitt is a Democrat and his announcement is subject to the Democratic primary, July 28.

HIDDEN DANGERS.

Nature Gives Timely Warnings That No Haskell Citizen Can Afford to Ignore.

Danger Signal No. 1 comes from the kidney secretions. They will warn you when the kidneys are sick. Well kidneys excrete a clear, amber fluid. Sick kidneys send out a thin, pale and foamy, or a thick, red, ill-smelling urine, full of sediment and irregular of passage.

Danger Signal No. 2 comes from the back. Back pains, dull and heavy, or sharp and acute, tell you of sick kidneys and warn you of the coming of dropsy, diabetes and Bright's disease. Doan's Kidney Pills cure sick kidneys and cure them permanently.

J. W. Bland, farmer, living three miles southwest of Merkel, Texas, says: "For several years my kidneys troubled me, especially when I caught cold to aggravated myself. The secretions from the kidneys were frequent and scanty and accompanied with burning or scalding pain in the neck of the bladder. I tried different medicines, but with little success. When I heard about Doan's Kidney Pills I got a box. They did me a great deal of good. My back has not bothered me nearly so badly and the action of the kidneys has become regular and without pain."

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

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

PROGRESS OF THE VALLEY R. R.

To Reach Haskell About July 20,

Mr. Jno. R. T. Orth who is in charge of the grading on the Wichita Valley railroad was in town Thursday. In conversation with the FREE PRESS reporter he stated that the grading would be completed to within three miles of Stamford in the course of three or four weeks. He also stated that the repairing gang on the grade north of Haskell, which was damaged in places by the heavy rains, had about finished their work and had the roadbed ready for track laying, also that a camp would be established in Haskell, probably today, to fill in the gap of about a mile from town south, which was skipped when the main force went south on the work.

Col. Morgan Jones, president and general manager of the road, also passed through Haskell Thursday and, while our reporter failed to see him, we were informed that he stated to others that some hindrances had somewhat delayed tracklaying, but they now expected to get into Haskell with the track about July 20th.

An Alarming Situation

frequently results from neglect clogged bowels and torpid liver, until constipation becomes chronic. This condition is unknown to those who use Dr. King's New Life Pills; the best and gentlest regulators of stomach and bowels. Guaranteed at Terrell's Drug Store. Price 25c.

Mr. Henderson has received his stock and opened a gents furnishing store on the north side.

On Monday afternoon Mrs. R. C. Montgomery gave a party in honor of her nieces Misses Seawillow Johnson and Cleo Frost. The little folk enjoyed themselves immensely for several hours at various games and amusements provided for them, as was attested by their happy faces and the bright peals of laughter which rang out from time to time. Those present were; Misses Fannie Lee Fitzgerald, Alline Couch, Zora Poole, Jewell McCulloch, Murphy Taylor, Fannie Baldwin, Shirley Neathery, Ruth Veasey, Willie Veasey and Jessie Martiny Masters Morris Gilbert, Carl Gilbert, Claudis Walden, Ruhlie Lemmon, Ernest Griesom, Witt Springer, Brevard Long, Everitt Johnson and Willie Frost.

The laxative effect of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets is agreeable and so natural that you do not realize it is the effect of a medicine. For sale at Terrell's Drug Store.

Dr. B. O. Hester, who had been sick for about three weeks, and who was understood to be convalescing, died suddenly at his home in Haskell on last Saturday morning at 11:30 o'clock. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church on Sunday afternoon by Rev. J. H. Chambliss, pastor, assisted by Rev. John R. Nelson of Dallas, who came for that purpose, and the remains of the deceased were followed to the cemetery by a very large concourse of friends and sympathizers. Although Dr. Hester had resided in Haskell less than a year, his character as exemplified in his daily conduct and intercourse with the people had won for him many friends and the esteem and respect of all.

If warm weather makes you feel weary you may be sure your system needs cleansing. Use Prickly Ash Bitters before the hot weather arrives; it will put the stomach, liver and bowels in order and help you through the heated term. C. E. Terrell, special agent.

The FREE PRESS has been a little behind time the last two issues, not because of any delinquency of the force, but because of that mystery of modern mechanics and science, our gasoline engine. We are much indebted to Messrs Ellis & English for the loan of their engine to get us over the trouble, and hope to get our own straightened out to work by next week.

Are you dull and stupid? Do you miss the snap, vim and energy that was once yours? You need a few doses of that great system regulator, Prickly Ash Bitters. For reviving strength and energy, increasing the capacity of the body for work, it is a remedy of the highest order. C. E. Terrell, special agent.

Mr. Don. H. Biggers of Abilene, well known in newspaper circles and now on the staff of the Dallas News as a writer for the Sunday Magazine department, was in Haskell this week and called on the FREE PRESS. Mr. Biggers is thinking of writing up this section.

A full synopsis of the Railroad Rate Bill, perhaps the most important measure now pending in congress, will be found on our third page this week.

Board of Equalization.

Notice is hereby given to all whom it may concern that the Commissioners' Court of Haskell county will convene and sit as a Board of Equalization at the court house in the town of Haskell on Thursday, July 12, 1906, when they will receive, examine and pass upon the assessment lists and renditions of property for taxation in said county for said year as rendered to or assessed by the tax assessor of said county, and will in accordance with law proceed to equalize the valuations of such property, raising or lowering values as the case may require.

Any or all persons interested in such action may be present to contest any order of the Board of Equalization affecting their interests.

Given at Haskell, Texas, this 30th day of June, A. D. 1906, by order of the County Commissioners' Court.
J. W. MEADORS, Co. Clk.
and ex-officio Clk. Comrs' Ct.,
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A TRAGEDY OF THE NIGHT. House and Contents Destroyed by Fire and One Inmate Seriously Burnt.

On last Sunday night about two o'clock, while the entire population of the town was wrapped in profound sleep, the old J. E. Murphy residence in the southern edge of town, which was occupied by Mr. Chas. Thompson and family and his father, Mr. S. Thompson, and two boarders, Messrs. Watt and Scott, took fire and was quickly reduced to a pile of cinders and ashes. Mrs. Thompson awoke suddenly with a feeling of alarm and discovered that the house was burning, the fire then being in the northeast part of the building. She awoke her husband, at the same time giving the alarm and awakening the other occupants. The fire had already made considerable headway and had reached the roof, which was burning vigorously. The occupants lost no time in escaping with such clothing as they could lay their hands upon, some of them without shoes and with only their night clothing on. Mrs. Thompson, however, with more presence of mind than the others, pulled her trunk out as she went and thus saved some clothing. After getting out, the elder Mr. Thompson went back into the house to secure some clothing and come near being imprisoned and burned to death. When he had gotten inside, a burning wall gave way and caused the door through which he had entered to slam closed and latch. Being partially blinded and choked by the smoke Mr. Thompson had difficulty and delay in reaching the door and wrenching it open and most of the hair was singed off his head and he was considerably burned and blistered on the head, face, neck and arms. He says that if he had been a few seconds longer in getting the door open he believes he would have been overcome by the smoke and heat. At this time he is suffering a good deal from his burns but is not believed to be in a dangerous condition.

Mr. Watt, a boarder, lost \$55.50 in money and Mr. Thompson lost \$22 in money and all of his household effects. The house was the property of Mr. Frank Stephens. There was no insurance on either the house or its contents.

Citizens took up a subscription and helped Mr. and Mrs. Thompson out liberally in donations of money, clothing and household equipment, for which they expressed hearty appreciation, the elder Mr. Thompson remarking that he believed they had gotten among Christians here.

Messrs. Ogleby, Odell and Pitchford were made a committee for disbursing the fund and, besides the supplies furnished Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, turned a cash balance over to Mrs. Thompson to be used in caring for Mr. Sill Thompson.

Drug salesman now preaching every where that he had suffered for years from sore, sweaty, blistered, offensive feet, but at last cured by the use of Hooper's Tetter Cure. Guaranteed by Collier-Andrus Co.

Mrs. Mahoney regrets she did not learn sooner of the pleasing results obtained by the use of Herpton. Since using the first bottle she has not suffered the least pain during that period common to her sex. Guaranteed by Collier-Andrus Co.

Pride wins—keep your hands smooth and soft by the use of Hooper's Tetter Cure. Guaranteed by Collier-Andrus Co.

D. C. Alton, of Cleburne, Texas, lumped from his seat, caused by a thought that Herpton cured his wife's feeble health, and he ran down to a drug store to buy a bottle for himself. Guaranteed by Collier-Andrus Co.

Miss Zenobia Francis left her school this morning to go to town and buy a bottle of Hooper's Tetter Cure to relieve her sore, aching feet. Guaranteed by Collier-Andrus Co.

SINGING CONVENTION.

TO THE FREE PRESS:

Will you please announce that the Miller Creek Singing convention will meet at Pleasant View school house on the second Sunday in July. The program will cover a morning and afternoon session. Dinner will be served on the grounds.

This convention covers the east half of Haskell county and we hope that every community will be represented.
GEO. E. COURTNEY, Pres.
THOS. RYNE, Sec.

Deadly Serpent Bites

are as common in India as are stomach and liver disorders with us. For the latter however there is a sure remedy; Electric Bitters; the great restorative medicine, of which S. A. Brown, of Bennettsville, S. C., says: "They restored my wife to perfect health, after years of suffering with dyspepsia and a chronically torpid liver." Electric Bitters cure chills and fever, malaria, biliousness, lame back, kidney trouble and bladder disorders. Sold on guarantee at Terrell's Drug Store. Price 50c.