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There Is A Reason

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For May 1907,

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their needs to the best advantage.

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THE STORE WITH THE GOODS

Platform of Hon. R. C. Crane
Candidate for State Senator.

1. I am for fewer laws and better laws.
2. I am for equal rights to all and special privileges to none.
3. I am for the development and upbuilding of Texas generally and Central West Texas in particular.
4. I am for the anti-free pass law as applied to all public officers but favor amendment of that law in some of its other features, notably so as to leave newspapers free to contract with railroads, to exchange advertising for transportation, and to permit the issuance of passes to immigration agents (not public officers) to work in the interest of the development of Texas. That law should also be made more liberal with reference to sheriffs.
5. Our agricultural interests are not looked after and fostered as they should be. I shall favor the location of an experiment station in this District for the benefit of our agricultural interests. Our soils vary in different localities and they should be tested so as to demonstrate what they are capable of producing. So far, that has been left to individual effort unaided by the state while other sections of Texas and other states have reaped great benefit from these stations.
6. Our live stock interests are not adequately looked after. Ample funds should be provided to fight infectious and contagious diseases among live stock whenever in the state such diseases may appear.
7. I am in favor of the submission to the people of a constitutional amendment for State

Wide Prohibition, and will vote for in when submitted.

8. I am in favor of a modification of our tax laws so that farm and ranch lands shall pay only their just share of taxes and so that all other classes of property shall pay their proportion of taxes.

The so-called Bailey question is not an issue in this campaign. The Legislature and the people at the polls have settled the fact that Mr. Bailey is our Senator and our delegate-at-large to the National Democratic convention and I think any personal fight on him should now cease. The Legislature will not elect his successor during the term for which I am a candidate.

Mr. C. P. Morris Dead.

It is with regret that we chronicle the death of our fellow townsman Mr. C. P. Morris. Mr. Morris had been in bad health for some time and was staying temporarily at Mineral Wells for the benefit of his health, and his death occurred at this place yesterday June 5th. The local lodge of Odd Fellows, of which he was a member, left here last night to meet and take charge of his remains at Abilene, bringing them to Anson, his former place of residence, where the interment will take place today under the auspices of the Haskell and Anson lodges of Odd Fellows.

Mr. Morris leaves a wife and several grown children surviving him.

Mrs. J. E. Irby, Sr., returned Thursday from a visit at Munday

West Texas State Summer Normal, June 15 to July 30, 1908

TO BE HELD AT HASKELL, TEXAS.

A FEW STRONG FEATURES:

UNION OF FOUR--Haskell, Stonewall, Throckmorton and Baylor. FACULTY OF FIVE. Lectures will be given by the following prominent educators; State Supt. R. B. Cousins, Dr. O. H. Cooper Simmon's College, Abilene; Dr. Boaz of Polytechnic College, Ft. Worth; President Lockhart of Christian University, Waco.

A Rare Opportunity for Teachers to Improve their Scholarship

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J. STONE RIVES, Conductor, Haskell, Texas.

THE WEST TEXAS SUMMER NORMAL

Embracing the Counties of Baylor, Throckmorton, Haskell and Stonewall.

SESSION OF 1908 TO BE HELD AT HASKELL, JUNE 15 TO JULY 25TH.

By authority of the State Supt. of Public Instruction there will be held in the city of Haskell, beginning June 15th, a Teachers' Summer Normal for the counties of Baylor, Throckmorton, Stonewall and Haskell.

AIM AND PURPOSE.

The aim and purpose of the Summer Normal is to broaden scholarship, to intensify capabilities for effective work and to bring the teachers participating and co-operating in the work more closely in touch with the tendency of the educational thought and progress of the day. That education has made wonderful advances in recent years is beyond a doubt, and no teacher can afford to neglect an opportunity to bring himself or herself abreast with the best thought and methods, to the end that they may appropriate and apply them in their own work in the school room.

With these considerations in view, the faculty have determined to make this a SCHOOL OF METHODS as well as a school in which to acquire the facts of the text books.

presentation of receipt from the Treasurer for tuition.

LOCATION AND EQUIPMENT.

The sessions of the Normal will be held in the High school building, which is amply commodious, well ventilated and well situated, and has a large auditorium. All the apparatus, libraries, etc., will be at the service of the Normal students, and will be a valuable aid in acquiring some of the subjects.

THE TOWN OF HASKELL.

This is one of the most beautiful, thoroughgoing and thriving little cities of West Texas, having a population of about 3500 people. We believe that no town of its size can boast of a more cultured and educated citizenship, or a people more thoroughly imbued with the educational spirit. This is evidenced in part by the fact that they have, at a large cost, erected two splendid school buildings of stone and brick and have them well furnished. Several literary and social clubs are maintain-

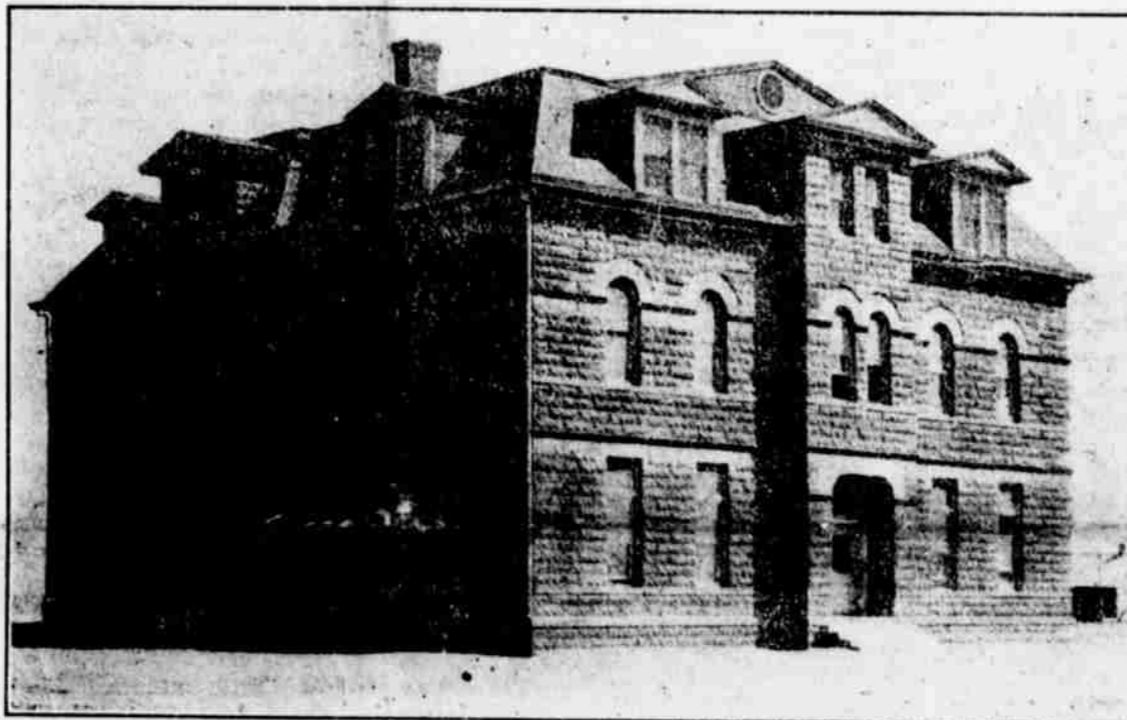


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of known and proved merit. Our guarantee as well as that of the makers goes with every bottle. We shall be glad to recommend a variety of reliable remedies if you have no particular choice. If you have a favorite that has done you good before, you can get it here at a reasonable price.

COLLIER'S DRUG STORE



WHO SHOULD ATTEND.

In view of the purposes briefly outlined, we would say that everyone who is a teacher, or intends to be one, should attend this school. Man's intercourse with his fellows is of inestimable value to him; no one can make progress without it. Therefore all who have or can MAKE the opportunity, should attend. Especially they should attend who purpose getting certificates, and those who obtained certificates last year and have as yet received no credit upon them for Normal attendance. This is made plain by Secs. 91-93, page 31, School Laws of Texas, 1905.

There are in the counties embraced in the territory of this Normal 200 teachers and we hope to have most if not all of them in attendance.

FACULTY.

- J. STONE RIVES, Conductor.
Supt. Schools, Haskell.
History, Composition, History of Education, English and American Literature, Grammar.
- WM. J. BUTTRELL.
Teacher of Mathematics, Seymour High School.
Mathematics and Science.
- JOHN F. ODOR.
Supt. Rule Schools.
Reading, Writing, Spelling, Physiology, Geography, Psychology.
- J. W. WATSON.
Principal Haskell High School.
Book-keeping, Physical Geography, Civics.
- T. C. WILLIAMS.
Supt. Haskell County Schools.
Management and Methods and School Law.

EXPENSES.

Board and lodging, per month, at hotels and boarding houses \$15 and \$16 per month. A number of private families will take boarders at moderate rates.

TOTAL COST OF ATTENDANCE.

Board 42 days, say, \$21.00.
Tuition for term, 6.00.
Examination fee, 1.00.

Total, \$28.00.

No deduction except in case of protracted illness.

Examination days, July 23, 24, 25.

Students will be enrolled by the Secretary on

ed, of which we may mention the Magazine Club, the young people's Athletic and Dramatic Club and the Twenty-five Club. The Ten Thousand Club is a commercial organization of the progressive business men for the promotion of industrial enterprises and the growth and development of the town and county.

We have four church buildings, Methodist, Presbyterian, Christian and Baptist, in which regular services and Sunday School are held each Sabbath and prayer meetings on Wednesday nights.

Of the civic and fraternal orders we have good working lodges of the Masons, Knights Templar, Odd Fellows, Woodmen of the World, Knights of Pythias and Fraternal Bankers, which visiting members may have the pleasure of attending. The Masons and Odd Fellows own their own halls in splendid two-story brick and stone buildings.

The town has some of the modern luxuries in the way of electric lights and an ice plant with a capacity of eighteen tons of ice daily. It also has a forty ton cotton seed oil mill. It has a number of large stores in all lines, filled with up-to-date stocks of goods, and is conceded to be one of the best trading points in this part of the state. And there are good hotels, boarding houses and livery stables. And speaking of the latter calls to mind the fact that the roads leading out from Haskell run for many miles in nearly all directions over beautiful level prairies, thus affording splendid driveways.

Haskell has long been noted for its healthfulness, and most persons who come from a distance in poor health soon experience a marked improvement. Its abundant supply of pure, fresh water is unequaled by that of any town in Western Texas.

ACCESSIBILITY.

Haskell is on the Wichita Valley Railroad, which connects on the north with the Ft. Worth & Denver R'y at Wichita Falls and on the south with the Texas Central at Stamford and the T. & P. R'y at Abilene.

CODCLUSION.

We urge that all teachers, as well as those intending to become teachers, attend this Normal and by a united effort assist in making it the best school of the kind ever held in this part of the state. Make your arrangements to enter at first and secure full benefit of the entire term.



THERE'LL BE SOME-THING MISSING

some day, and then you'll regret that you didn't put it where it would be safe. In a word, the place for your surplus cash is the FARMERS NATIONAL BANK. It will be absolutely safe there, and you'll find your account growing. And you'll be afforded every accommodation consistent with conservative banking. Put your money where it will do most good to you.

FARMERS NATIONAL BANK.
R. C. MONTGOMERY,
Cashier.
Haskell, Texas.

The Humorous Side of Insurance Applications.

Fieldmen are apt to think that the work of going over batches of applications in the home office must be dreary work for the clerk assigned to this function, yet occasionally one finds in a bunch of applications a grain or two of dry humor which provokes a smile. We take the following from the London Insurance Journal, although credited by that paper to an exchange:

The certificate clerk in copying the applications made by members runs across many curious statements. In the application of a young widow for membership, in answer to the question, "What is your husband's occupation?" the applicant replied, "An angel."

In another application we run across the following statements: Mother died in infancy.

An uncle died of cancer on his mother's side.

Father went to bed feeling well and the next morning woke up dead.

Applicant does not know cause of mother's death but states that she fully recovered from her last illness.

Father died suddenly; nothing serious.

Applicant's brother, who was an infant, died when he was a mere child.

Grandfather died from gunshot wound caused by an arrow shot by an Indian.

Applicant's fraternal parents died when he was a child.

Mother's last illness was caused from chronic rheumatism, but she was cured before death.—Life Insurance Independent.

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HASKELL, - - - TEXAS

Milan beef is the best in Italy.

Australia is 26 times larger than the British Isles.

In three faces out of five the eyes are out of alignment.

The bone frame of the average whale weighs about 45 tons.

The American Bible society has sent men to work among the foreigners around Indianapolis.

The foundation of the strong-room of the Bank of England is 66 feet below the level of the street.

From irrigated fruit lands Washington orchardmen are making from \$1,000 to \$2,000 net per acre.

The rice paper upon which the Chinese do such charming drawing is a thin sheet of the pith of a tree.

The shadow of the next thing you will have to dodge may be seen swiftly approaching. It is the motor roller skate.

Why invest in battleships, asks the economical citizen, when an American liner can run down and sink an armored cruiser?

Even with certified milk up to 17 cents a quart, it is hard for the man who lives in a flat to see just how he is going to keep a cow.

Of a congregation of over 1,000 at the First Methodist church of Syracuse, N. Y., only 14 admitted having been converted after reaching the age of 21.

African negroes use tooth brushes; they are fashioned out of the wood of several kinds of trees. They are easy to make and cost nothing, no bristles being used.

Getting a case of rheumatism in a cold sleeping car and then suing the company for damages, however, will be found to be an exceedingly slow way of making money.

Andrew Carnegie says the United States has the worst monetary system in the world. Yet some men have accumulated quite satisfactory wads of money under that system.

A steamer loaded with 400,000,000 firecrackers is on its way from Shanghai to this country. What has become of the patriots who were going to arrange for a safe and sane Fourth of July this year?

The outlook for crops in India is poor. This is discouraging to the people of that country, who seldom have a surplus. And it will necessitate drawing upon the food supplies of the United States, which always has a large quantity to spare.

Out of the 105 counties which the state of Kansas has within its domains at least 50 have no paupers. One-half the county poor farms are empty, save for the keeper, who draws his salary and waits for patronage. There are no saloons in Kansas.

Ex-Senator W. A. Clark of Montana has been on a trip through the west and says everything is promising for big crops. That means an ample supply of food products, a large surplus for export and lively business for the railroads; also marked accession to the general prosperity.

Castro of Venezuela, who has been ill, has so far recovered that he is able to ride horseback, which he has not done for two years past. It is not that sort of practice to which objection can be taken. But it would be better for Venezuela if Castro would dismount from his political high horse.

Some boys recently convicted of throwing stones in Everett, Mass., were sentenced to proceed to a commodious dump and there throw stones for a full half hour under the eye of the law. The Solomonian wisdom of the sentence seems to have been proved by the disgust and weariness in which the culprits worked out their punishment.

On the open shelves of the Brookline (Mass.) library only 90 books were lost during the past year. If it looks like a good many, it must be remembered that none of the books that disappeared were worth stealing for their pecuniary value, and that the total number of books exposed counts up to over 150,000. Which simply goes to show that folks that use public libraries are awful careless.

Promotion in the public service is still the rule. Mr. John S. Leech, the new public printer, entered the government printing office as a compositor in 1889, was afterward made proofreader, and then raised to the foremanship of a division. In 1901 he became public printer in the Philippines, and after seven years' service there is called home to take charge of the department in Washington.

How accident sometimes reveals great opportunities is shown by the story from Winnipeg to the effect that the falling of a large mass of rocks and ice disclosed a great vein of anthracite, of the existence of which no one had been aware previously. The landslide unhappily resulted in killing and injuring several of the laborers employed in the work. This result is to be deplored. The general benefits following the discovery, however, will be great. There is a very strong demand for anthracite throughout western Canada.

CONGRESS ADJOURNS

AFTER A LONG AND FRUITLESS FILIBUSTER.

MUCH WORK HAS BEEN DONE

La Follette Makes a Strenuous Attempt to Filibuster Senate into Submission to Minority.

Washington, June 1.—The first session of the Sixtieth Congress adjourned shortly before midnight. The Senate quit business at 11:50 and the House at 11:52. The second session will convene Monday, December 7, at noon.

Saturday, while the rest of the country was engaged in strewing flowers on the graves of its beloved dead, the Congress of the United States, or at least the Senate end of it, was occupied in one of the most bitter fights that has ever marked the end of the session. The contest was over the adoption of the Aldrich-Vreeland currency bill which the Republicans believe will prevent the possibility of

THE FLOOD SITUATION.

The flood situation in North Texas, while generally improved, is just beginning to be fully understood in all its awful destruction. The monetary loss can not be estimated. When one undestands that thousands of people who, a week ago were prosperous, happy, contented and hopeful are today without employment, food and often barely enough clothes to hide their nakedness, the situation begins to impress itself. For hundreds of miles up and down the Trinity the Brazos and Red Rivers and smaller streams crops, stock and improvements are swept away, and in hundreds of cases even the houses and all the furniture and clothing are gone. The calamity is the greatest that has ever visited North Texas, Central Texas and Oklahoma. Relief parties, municipalities and individuals are coming nobly to the rescue, but it will be months before normal conditions are restored, and many families are financially ruined for life.

the recurrence of such a panicky condition as occurred last fall. The bill was finally passed by a vote of 43 to 22, and is now a law.

The Democrats had decided in a party conference that they would allow the Republicans to assume the responsibility for the parentage of the bill and that they would express their position by a speech and vote without resorting to unusual methods to delay the taking of the vote. This plan did not suit Senator La Follette, the Republican insurgent from Wisconsin, and he started a filibuster in the hope of defeating the measure. Through some hitch or misunderstanding the plan failed and a vote was quickly taken, and a motion to reconsider was tabled, following which adjournment took place.

Pros Win Easily in Kaufman.

Kaufman: Eight hundred and ten votes is the majority for prohibition as the result of the election held in Kaufman County Saturday. There are four small boxes not yet heard from, but these will not materially affect the total. The total vote was 2592, of which 2156 were for prohibition and 1344 against. In 1906 the majority was 744 for prohibition out of a total of 3709 votes cast.

Sherman Again Uses Oil Fuel.

Sherman: The city resumed the use of oil as a fuel at the East Street pumping station of the waterworks on June 1. The changes had all been made on the boilers so that the change in fuel took place without delay. There is a supply of 30,000 gallons of fuel oil or more on hand, enough to last two weeks, and more assured before the expiration of that time, so that the fuel question will not be affected by the floods.

Horrible Ending of Celebration.

Philadelphia, Pa.: An entire family, consisting of Wm. Eidelman, aged 38 years, his wife, Elizabeth, aged 37, and their two children, Anna, aged 17 and William, aged 7, of Pensauken, N. J., were drowned below Riverton, N. J., by the capsizing of a small rowboat. The family was taking an outing in celebration of the fact that the father had just cleared off the mortgage on their home. All of the bodies were recovered.

New Railway Is Building.

Weatherford: The Estacado and Gulf is the name of the new railroad now being built from McCauley, on the Orient, to Roby, the county site of Fisher County, a distance of about twelve miles. The line is being built by J. T. Butts of this city and his brother, W. A. Butts of New York, who is President of the concern. The work of grading is nearly completed and the laying of steel will begin in a few weeks.

PIERCE MUST COME TO TEXAS.

Supreme Court of United States Rules Against Him.

Washington, June 2.—The Supreme Court decided yesterday that H. Clay Pierce would have to go to Texas for trial on an indictment returned by a Grand Jury of Travis County for false swearing. Pierce is charged with having sworn falsely in testifying that the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, of which he is the head, was not a part of the Standard Oil Company.

A requisition for the arrest of Pierce was issued by the Governor of Texas on the Governor of Missouri and was granted. But Pierce fought the extradition on several grounds, among which, judging from the fact that the Supreme Court gave it most notice, was that the indictment was insufficient. The lower court decided against Pierce, and the case was brought to the Supreme Court of the United States. It was argued about two months ago.

H. Clay Pierce, Chairman of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, is in New York, where he has lived most of the time during the last three years, although about three months were spent here for a brief business trip.

On learning of yesterday's decision of the Federal Supreme Court against Mr. Pierce he (Pierce) telegraphed Judge Henry Priest, his counsel in the habeas corpus proceedings. From a statement made by Judge Priest it is very evident that Pierce does not intend to be taken to Texas on trial for false swearing if a further appeal to the courts can prevent it.

The opinion, which is not lengthy, is nearly entirely devoted to a discussion of the question of the sufficiency of the indictment. Justice Moody at one point does make rather slighting allusion to what he terms the hair-splitting argument of counsel for Pierce. He has reference to Joseph H. Choate, whose speech before the Supreme Court was somewhat disappointing to the lawyers who heard it. Judge Barclay of St. Louis, who made the arguments for the State, or rather for Mr. Creacy, Chief of Police of St. Louis, against whom the action was brought, is sustained by the decision at practically every point, in some cases almost the identical language which he used in his argument being transferred to the opinion.

Senator James K. Jones Dead.

Washington: Former United States Senator James K. Jones of Arkansas died at his residence here Monday afternoon, after an illness of a few hours, aged 69 years. He was one of the leading Democrats of the Senate from 1885 to 1903, and was one of the strongest supporters of William Jennings Bryan, having acted as one of the Democratic National Committee and conducted the campaigns of 1896 and 1900. Since leaving the Senate in 1905, he has conducted a law practice in this city and has not actively engaged in politics.

On Friday Senator Jones returned from a visit to his daughter, Mrs. Leonard Carrigan, in Arkansas, and Sunday night was apparently enjoying good health. Complaining slightly Monday morning, he remained in bed, and at 5:30 in the afternoon died, the immediate cause of death being heart failure.

Paul Bruchner, a well known business man of Corsicana, and a man named Curry, a visitor there, were drowned Sunday morning while fishing in a place known as "Tinkle's Tank," about a mile north of that city.

Terrific Storm Visits Vernon.

Vernon: A terrific storm struck this place Sunday evening, uprooting trees, blowing down houses and ruining thousands of acres of crops. There is hardly a house in town that is not more or less damaged. One house in West Vernon was demolished and Mrs. O. B. Powdy seriously hurt. So far as can be learned no lives were lost. Three washouts occurred between this place and Wichita Falls, and all trains are indefinitely late.

Price and Others Under Arrest.

Washington: Bench warrants charging Theodore E. Price of New York, the New York cotton operator; E. S. Holmes, Jr., former statistician of the Department of Agriculture; Moses Maas and Frederick A. Peckham of New York, with conspiracy have been sent to New York for the purpose of causing their arrest and probable return to this jurisdiction for trial. All four of the men were indicted here Friday.

Pritchett Swept by Flames.

Gilmer: Pritchett, a small town on the Cotton Belt, six miles south of Gilmer, was totally destroyed by fire Sunday night. The postoffice, four general stores, a drug store and the Woodmen's and Yeomen's lodge hall were destroyed. The total losses will foot up to at least \$20,000, with insurance on about one-third of the value. The entire business portion of the town was burned.

THREE-YEAR-OLD CHARGE.

Theodore H. Price Is Indicted on Famous Cotton Leak Charge.

New York, May 30.—Theodore Price, for many years one of the most prominent operators on the New York cotton market, was indicted by the Federal Grand Jury yesterday on charges growing out of the sensational exposure of the sale of Government statistics as to cotton crop conditions in advance of the issuance of this information to the public. The indictments were not unexpected by Mr. Price, and he and his attorneys were at the Federal Building when the Grand Jury's report was presented, ready to give bail.

A second charge against Price is bribery. It is reported that other persons were indicted with Price.

Price is charged with conspiracy to defraud. He was released in \$5000 bail. Following the announcement that he had been indicted, Mr. Price gave out a statement. He said that while an indictment was of course an extremely disagreeable experience to undergo, it was an accusation and not a proof, and he is aware that the Government has considered it necessary to take this action before the matter became outlived on June 3 or thereafter. He feels no doubt whatever of the issue.

The original "cotton leak" charges made some three years ago were based on the statement of Van Ripper, the bucket shop operator, and a self-confessed participant and beneficiary with others of the alleged "cotton leak," and who conducted his account with Messrs Hubbard Brothers & Company, and not with Mr. Price.

Williams for Governor.

Sulphur Springs: Hon. R. R. Williams of Cumby, in this county, who has announced as a candidate for Governor, was born in the State of Arkansas sixty-eight years ago. He came to Texas in 1866, settling in Hopkins County, engaging in the occupation of a mechanic, where he has resided since that time. He served in the Confederate Army, making a gallant soldier. He attained the rank of Captain. He has served his precinct as Justice of the Peace and as County Commissioner, making a good officer. He was a member of the Legislature. He is a man of very pronounced convictions, bold and fearless, and not afraid to assert himself under any circumstances. He is a practicing lawyer at Cumby, and has had a liberal share of patronage for several years.

Perishes to Save Team.

Denison: Harry Stockbridge, a negro, aged 17 years, an employe of the Davis livery stable in this city, met death in the quicksands near Warner Junction, four miles north of here, Friday morning. He had driven a telegraph lineman to that point and stopped a few minutes before starting back. He noticed that the horses were sinking in the sand and got out of the carriage to assist them. In some manner he got under the horses and sank out of sight before assistance could reach him. When the body was taken out an hour later the heart was still beating, but the boy died about fifteen minutes later. The horses were saved.

A cyclone struck twelve miles west of Duncan, Ok., Friday evening, destroyed barns and houses and killed considerable stock, but no people were killed, as most all were provided with storm cellars. Crops were damaged greatly.

Cyclone near Fort Worth.

Fort Worth: A small cyclone originated three to five miles northwest of the city Friday afternoon, but as far as can be learned the damage was not great. A sheep herder named McDonald sustained a broken leg and several sheep in a herd, which was in the path of the storm, were killed. Marion Sansom says the storm originated in his pasture near Saginaw, and was in the form of a black funnel cloud.

Driven from Farms.

Weatherford: Reports from the Clear Fork of the Trinity in this county tell of much loss of wheat and oat crops that were ready for the harvest, much of the wheat promising a yield of twenty-five bushels to the acre. In the worst flooded district farmers have abandoned all idea of making a crop this year and are leaving their farms in search of work to sustain their families.

All a Family Affair.

Fort Worth: J. D. Hopkins, his wife and stepdaughter were arrested Friday for engaging in a shooting affray. Hopkins says he and his wife were quarrelling, and he drew his revolver and dropped it on the floor. His stepdaughter, aged sixteen years, seized the weapon and shot Hopkins in the shoulder. Hopkins is charged with aggravated assault and the girl with assault to murder.

THE WEEK'S EPITOME

A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

A Pan-Slavic exposition to be held in Moscow in 1910 is planned by Russia.

Dallas has just raised the sum of \$70,000 to finish the 5-story Y. M. C. A. building now under way.

The first train over the Red river north of Paris on the Frisco since Wednesday passed Saturday night.

Former residents of Ellis county now living in Dallas have on foot a movement to organize an Ellis County Association.

Senator Aldrich has been elected chairman and Representative Vreeland vice chairman of the currency commission.

The Texas Woman's Press Association meets in Fort Worth June 15-17, and a very elaborate program is provided for the occasion.

Oklahoma legislature, recently adjourned, passed laws compelling gasoline to be kept in red cans and hotel bed sheets to be 9 feet long.

Oak Cliff car service and the Fort Worth-Dallas Interurban opened to regular traffic Sunday, after being out of service since the Monday preceding.

Secretary Milner reports great scarcity of cotton seed, and has asked the general government for such assistance as it may be in a position to render.

W. T. Campbell, a well known horseman of Fort Worth, virtually gave up his life for his horses last week. He over exposed himself during the floods and died as a result.

W. J. Nuville shot and killed Henry Lewis late Saturday evening about six miles southeast of San Augustine. Both white. W. J. Nuville surrendered to the sheriff, who placed him in jail.

Thomas H. Chamberlain, for many years city electrician, a prominent club man and one of the most popular Mobilians, was shot and killed Saturday at noon by an unknown desperate negro.

Almost the last dash out of the congressional dice box was a big hand for Texas. It was the passage of the Burleson bill to pension the old Texas Indian fighters and their surviving widows.

Guadalupe Diaz was killed near Bluff Springs Saturday night. Deputy Sheriff Wash Fritz phoned in to Sheriff Matthews, advising him of the occurrence. Deputy Sheriff Fritz gave bond in the sum of \$600.

McGregor claims the destination of being the only town of 2,500 people in Texas that has fine concrete sidewalks around each of her churches. The work on the last of the five properties is just finished.

Making a fast run to a fire in the northern section of the city, the buggy of Fire Chief H. Frank Mcgee of Dallas collided with the rig of H. R. Parks. Mr. Parks' horse was almost instantly killed, the shaft of the Chief's buggy piercing the flank of the animal.

John D. Rockefeller last week made a gift to the Rockefeller Institute of New York City. This totals \$4,500,000 he has given the institution which bears his name.

Men laid off in the Rock Island shops in Oklahoma in March and April are all at work again.

All records of contests in the history of Republican conventions were broken when Secretary Dover of the national committee announced that the seats of 229 delegates had been disputed.

Many binders ran all last Sunday in both Texas and Oklahoma, this being necessary to save the over-ripened grain.

Lord Tweedmouth, former minister of the admiralty, is declared by his friends to be a mental wreck. Application has been made for two trustees to manage his affairs.

While planting flowers on his wife's grave in Calvary cemetery, St. Paul, Minn., Saturday, Timothy McCarthy, a Grand Army of the Republic veteran, fell dead on the mound.

Beach Hargis, in jail in Jackson, Ky., awaiting trial for the murder of his father, Judge James Hargis, attempted suicide Saturday night by morphine.

Doctors who worked over him several hours announce that he will recover.

Rev. M. M. Davis, for many years pastor of the Central Christian Church of Dallas is ill at St. Paul's sanitarium. Taken ill Friday evening he was examined and found to be suffering from appendicitis. He was removed to St. Paul's and an operation performed.

A recent raid of "frosty" joints in McKinney revealed a large lot of intoxicating booze.

Dallas police have recently made several arrests of persons hitching horses to mail boxes.

Building permits in Dallas for May aggregate \$234,903 with only one building exceeding \$3,100 in value.

Queen Gustave of Sweden and the queen are visiting Emperor William and other royalties in Berlin.

During the year 252 certificates were issued to Texas nurserymen and shippers and the cost of inspection collected.

Notwithstanding much ill-advised legislation in Oklahoma, the material industries of the State show much activity and progress.

Roy Knabenshue the celebrated aeronaut, is arranging to make a trip from Toledo to Cleveland and return a total distance of 224 miles.

The Illinois Central Railroad company, in connection with the opening of its new line between Chicago, Birmingham and Atlanta, has placed a contract for 52,000 tons of steel rails to cost \$1,456,000.

Chet Lathrop and A. Cooper, employees of the Athlene Laundry, became engaged in an altercation Saturday afternoon in which the former received five serious stabs, one just missing his heart.

Mrs. J. P. Hurley, aged 49 years, wife of Railroad Conductor Hurley, died Friday night at her late residence in Fort Worth after a long illness. Mrs. Hurley had been a resident of that city twenty-five years.

A special train of eight cars of mules and grading outfits from Silver City, N. M., to be used for grading the Interurban railway, reached Graignesville Friday and were unloaded and distributed along the new route.

Miss Adina De Zavala has lost the Alamo. After a two days' hearing Judge Moore of La Grange, special judge, decided Saturday night all the crucial points in favor of the organization of which Mrs. Rebecca J. Fisher is president.

Walter Sealy of St. Louis, a well-known aeronaut, is in Fort Worth arranging a machine shop in which to build an airship. Sealy has had success with several model ships, but his last was destroyed by the San Francisco earthquake.

Work was commenced at Hereford on the new railroad which will extend from Trinidad, Col., through to Hereford, Big Springs, San Angelo, San Antonio and Port Lavaca on the gulf, the terminus. The entire length of this line will be 1500 miles.

The blind Senator Gore will this week undergo an exhaustive examination in a Washington hospital, looking to the possibility of restoring his sight, lost in childhood. If the investigation reveals promise of a restoration he will undergo an operation.

Between 75 and 1000 delegates to the State Democratic Convention from North, Northeast and Southeast Texas, who arrived in Dallas Monday night, crossed the river on the steamer Nellie Maurine at 7 o'clock Tuesday morning and took Interurban cars at Oak Cliff for Fort Worth.

Mrs. Julia Schneider, executrix for the estate of Jules Schneider, deceased, and at one time principal owner of Dallas Gas Company, has asked that a receiver be appointed for that concern, alleging gross mismanagement and culpable fraud in handling its affairs.

W. A. Pybas, an inmate of the Tarrant county poor farm, cut his throat and died one day last week. Soon after Jack Delaney, also a poor farm inmate, cut his throat, and is dangerously hurt.

The threatened strike against the Western Union Telegraph Company has been postponed. President Beattie recommends that no action be taken pending an investigation by the Department of Commerce and Labor into the working conditions of telegraph operators.

A special dispatch to the Petit Journal from Brussels says it is rumored that the Red Star steamship Vanderland has been wrecked in the North Sea in a dense fog. There were 1600 passengers on board.

Sunday afternoon while a party of boys were bathing in Flag Springs, tank, one mile east of Taylor, Ward Talley, the 16-year-old son of R. H. Talley, formerly a prominent merchant of Taylor, was drowned, despite efforts of rescue by his frightened companions.

At a mass meeting held in Dallas Sunday \$20,000 was raised for relief of local flood sufferers.

The city of Fort Worth is furnishing all citizens applying for them free oil and lime for disinfecting purposes and for dridding ponds and pools of mosquitoes.

While in bathing with two other companions in Cottonwood Creek near Bay City, John Davis was drowned. The body was recovered forty minutes afterward and efforts made to restore life, which failed.

FARMERS' EDUCATIONAL AND CO-OPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA

All the laws on earth will not help a poor crop.

When the sun shines make hay; when it is too rainy for anything else make split-log roads.

When it is raining so densely persistently that you can't do anything else, get out your split log drag.

You can't pull yourself up by your bootstraps, neither can you grow any bigger without getting some new substance into you.

Don't worry about your court house, if you have to pull cotton through mud belly deep to get to it. Let those who inhabit it worry about it.

Did you ever try putting in a day or two "just fixing up around the place?" By George, it makes a wonderful difference. Try it once in awhile.

The mean man can't work long as a Union man because the first time he sees a chance to make a personal gain at the general cost he does so.

Small, comparatively, as is the wool business, it is so organized that its selling is done in a business way. So about cotton—nit—but day is breaking.

The Cost of a Creamery.

During the past few years there have been built in the United States several thousand creameries, many of which have been successful from the start, while others have failed after a few months' operation, and some were never even started.

An investigation of the creamery business in several States by the United States Department of Agriculture has shown that the cause of many of the failures was due to lack of a sufficient number of cows, which should not be less than 400, and that others failed because of improper organization, in the case of co-operative creameries, and excessive cost of building and equipment. Many creameries have cost about twice their actual worth, and were not of the type suited to the locality in which they were built.

The cost of a building about 28x40 feet will vary from \$800 to \$1400, dependent upon the locality, the construction and the cost of material and labor. Such a building usually consists of a main work room, engine and boiler room (including space for refrigerator machine), coal room, refrigerator, store room and office.

Machinery for a hand separator plant, consisting of 15-horse power boiler, 10 horse power engine, combination churn with a capacity of 600 pounds of butter, and other necessary apparatus, will cost approximately \$1200. Machinery for a whole milk plant will cost about \$1850. This equipment will handle from 1000 to 1200 pounds of butter per day. If a refrigerating machine is included the cost will be from \$600 to \$1000 more.

The total cost of a creamery would therefore vary from \$2000 for a simple hand separator plant without artificial refrigeration, where labor and material are cheap, to \$4250 for a whole milk plant, including artificial refrigeration and a higher cost of labor and material.

The Department of Agriculture is prepared to furnish information for the proper organization of creameries and cheese factories, and upon request will supply plan of organization, list of machinery and plan for creamery. Correspondence should be addressed to the dairy division, United States Department of Agriculture, Washington.

Out of Debt Into Safety.

Oscar Childress, Danville, Ala. "Let us stay out of debt. As long as we don't owe what we make, the speculators can't take it away from us. This is the time for us to stick together. We should not get out of heart because we have not received our 15 cents for cotton yet, for we will certainly get it if we only hold on a little longer. I am sure that I for one will stick to my obligation. I don't think we should let the speculators know our minimum price. When they know our price, they will work every scheme possible to keep it just a little below this. They will do this for two reasons—not only to try to make the profit out of it for themselves, but because they do not desire the Farmers' Union to hold its prestige and to grow in power and in the confidence of the public, for this alone would insure its future victory over the gamblers."

The results of cross-breeding is being abandoned because they are unsatisfactory. A cross from two full bloods is often not much better than a scrub.

One O' the Reasons Why.

Middling cotton sold in Texas at 14 cents when the 1907 crop promised three and a half million bales, and when the total for this country bid fair to reach thirteen million bales. Now, when the total for the South is known to be two or three million bales shy, cotton goes at about 10 cents. This is one of the reasons why the farmer knows there is a conspiracy to rob him, and accounts for his determination to fight the conspiracy to a finish.—S. W. Farmer.

WHY ARE WE ORGANIZED?

A Beautiful Setting Forth of the Union Purposes.

Under the above caption the Arkansas Union Tribune publishes a clear and logical editorial that will be good for Union people everywhere to read. We give the article in full below:

This question is the biggest one connected with our movement. It will take some real thinking to solve it. One may say I joined to buy for less, while another would say I joined to get a better price for my products; while another says he joined to down every other class and build himself upon the ruins of a destroyed commercialism. All of this brings about a confounding of tongues that makes success impossible. A correct understanding of the real purposes of the organization on the part of each member of the Union is necessary in order for wise consideration along lines that will assure success.

The Tribune would feel that it had accomplished a great deal if, through its editorial columns, it could get a correct understanding on this one question, "What are we organized for?" For when all our members fully understand this we will move on harmonious lines to victory.

The first effort of the Union should be to take out of our lives the spirit of enmity and fill it with charity. Then remove from us the principle of greed and avarice and fill us with the principle of justice and equity. This would give us a desire to do unto others as we would have them do unto us instead of doing the other fellow before he does us.

It is well for us to consider what we are not organized for that we may more fully understand what we are going to do. We are not organized to destroy any part of our commercial, social, religious or political system, where they are progressing along paths that lead to the road of a higher and better civilization. It will take all the agencies co-operating together to reach a better condition. We can not hope to build up this great organization upon the downfall of any of the necessary agencies or helps in this cause.

Our duty is clear as to our attitude to all churches, schools, fraternal orders and legitimate commercial enterprises. It is not to pull down, but eliminate the illicit and confirm and build up the legitimate.

We are organized to take care of the business of the farmer, both in production and distribution. In other words, to raise and sell the products of the soil. In the past we have only studied the production of wealth and not its distribution. The educational feature of an organization should call every farmer to thoughtfulness and study, for it is only through intelligence that we will be able to take possession of our own. We are organized to plant at the very foundation head of our commercial life the principle of justice, equity and the golden rule that it may take root and give a healthy tonic to our entire civilization.

The Farmers' Union has a responsibility that no other organization in this country has and in proportion to a correct understanding of this responsibility and our action in keeping with our principles will be the good effort of our effort on our fellow man.

The Day is Dawning at Last.

Considering the magnitude of the cotton industry of this country, it seems strange that the prevailing system of marketing cotton is so crude, so costly and so disadvantageous to the grower. The wool growers of Texas, producing a few million pounds, have a better market system. However, with two great organizations, the Southern Cotton Association and the Farmers' Union—the one representing our business interests and the other our farmers' interests, both battling for a better market system for cotton—it is sure to come; in fact, it is right now in process of evolution.—S. W. Farmer.

The Average Teacher.

"The average teacher," says the F. U. Guide, "in the country school is not out for the work. So many of them emphasize all trades and professions, and the possibilities of the same, excepting that of farming, and they never think of teaching the farmers' sons and daughters that there are as great possibilities in agriculture as in civil engineering or in a profession, provided the same study, time and attention is given this industry. Every pupil in your school can not become a lawyer, doctor, merchant or mechanic. Many of them—in fact, the majority of them—must follow agriculture. Then why not teach them all the new ideas of the art and science of this, the greatest of business occupations?"

Nothing is easier than to feed away one's profits. It can be done in so many ways that the inexperienced usually do more or less of it.

It is claimed that chicks will not mature so rapidly for the early market as upon soft food, and their flesh does not have that soft white appearance if fattened on dry food only.

It seems that there are not now so many feeding chickens dry food as there was when it was first proposed. Many who adopted it have not returned to the former moist system. They have now abandoned it entirely or use a combination of the two systems.

In some instances where flocks have received little care for years there has developed the survival of the fittest until there has grown up a flock of only the very strongest and most hardy. These when pure make fine breeders.

ONE BIG COMBINE

FORCE OF MAIL-ORDER PRESS AGAINST COUNTRY TOWNS.

ADVERTISING THAT COUNTS

How Money and Trade Are Centralized in Great Cities to the Loss of the People in Agricultural Sections.

"These are the days of trusts and this is an era of trusts," writes W. D. Percival, late publisher of the Stanton (Neb.) Pickett. "It is contended that there are some good trusts, but when the X-rays of investigation have been turned upon them it has been impossible to locate the good points. To-day the most menacing trust in the world is the commercial combination that is intended to destroy the retail trade of the country, diverting it into the great money centers. This has reference to the catalogue houses that have grown up in the large cities within the past few years. We can all remember not long ago when there was a country store at every cross-roads and at the same time there were prosperous towns every few miles along every railroad. In each one of these towns there were from two to half a dozen general stores, besides the other stores that were handling special lines. They all enjoyed a good trade and sold goods at reasonable profits.

"To-day, in every agricultural and industrial section of the country you can notice the results that have been brought about by the catalogue houses. The cross-roads stores have gone, and in the towns business houses have been vacated, their windows boarded up and the former occupants driven into bankruptcy or other occupations. Not that the catalogue houses have sold cheaper than the small merchants, but they have flooded the country with catalogues and advertisements, alluring away the trade that rightfully belonged at home. These catalogue houses are owned and managed by able business men, built upon the broad gauge plan, who realize the benefits to be derived from advertising. They have organized an advertising campaign and each year they are spending fortunes, not only publishing and sending out catalogues, but they have built up a combination of newspapers that are nothing but mail-order journals. It is shown that the combined circulation of these sheets aggregate 32,000,000 copies per month. These they send broadcast over the country at their own expense. They do not stop at this, but go into every magazine, agricultural, religious and other paper that will accept their advertising. They pay the top price for this advertising and in this way they are enabled to reach about every farmer in the land. They set aside each year millions of dollars for advertising.

"Thus it will be seen that the catalogue houses and certain classes of publishers are in a combine that constitutes one of the most damnable trusts ever known. So far the country press, although frequently approached, has turned a deaf ear to the siren voice of these destroyers of home trade. In return for this, the country merchants should be liberal in their patronage of the local papers, which have demonstrated that they are true friends in a time of need. The mail-order houses are in the business for money and the only way to combat them is to agree upon a line of action. The country press and the country merchants must get together and start a campaign of education. The country press is on the right side and by all working together and for one purpose, the grip now enjoyed by the catalogue houses can be broken and trade turned back into its legitimate channels.

Frog Farming; A New Industry.
Frog farming is destined sooner or later to become a very important national industry. I predict that within a very few years few farmers will neglect to utilize their waste swampy land for the rearing of frogs for the market. Already the United States uses more frogs in six months, it is claimed, than France does in a year. The value of the annual catch in the United States is fully \$200,000 and the gross value to the hunters is more than \$50,000. There is not the slightest doubt in the world that were frogs available the value of the annual catch would leap at once to more than a million dollars.—Technical World.

He Was Also an Expert.
A strange story comes from one of the Balkan states, where commercial morality is still in its infancy. At a recent banquet given at the home of the prime minister a distinguished diplomat complained to his host that the minister of justice, next to whom he was sitting, had taken his watch. "The prime minister said: 'Ah, he shouldn't have done that. I will get it back for you.' Sure enough, towards the end of the evening the watch was returned to its owner. 'And what did he say?' asked the guest. 'Sh-h! He does not know I have got it back,' said the prime minister.

No Slippers for Him.
Albert, who is five years old, was recently accompanied by his grandma to select a birthday present for his mother. He wanted "something useful" and, after many rejections, it was suggested that they buy a pair of opera slippers, when he promptly said: "No; mamma's got too many of them now. I wouldn't mind getting button boots, for they can't be taken off so easy."

IMPROVING THE TOWN.

Necessity for Sewer Systems and Other Sanitary Measures.

Upon the healthfulness of a city depends much of its success and its growth. Towns that are not reputed to be sanitary places are generally evaded by home-seekers. One is often impressed with the fact that in small towns typhoid and malarial fevers are often more frequent and afflict greater numbers according to population than in the large cities. The simple reason for this is the neglect of sanitary improvement.

In the charter of many towns provision for the building of sewerage systems is overlooked, and years and years elapse before any consideration is given to the importance of providing a means for draining away the unwholesome increment that accumulates. Then it is found that there is a great amount of red tape before funds can be raised by taxation or by voting bonds for the building of a sewerage system.

Small towns as well as large cities, generally draw their authority for the making of public improvements from the state. While nearly all the states provide for bonding and the raising of funds for improvements in the larger cities and towns, the towns of 3,000 or 5,000 population are neglected. Within the past two years the state of Nebraska, realizing the necessity of the smaller towns having the privilege of voting bonds and making assessments against property for the building of sewerage systems, enacted a state law covering all the points involved. This law has already been beneficial, a number of the incorporated villages and towns having commenced the building of sewerage systems.

It is always well when contemplating the building of sewers to estimate that the town is likely to grow, and that a system adequate to give necessary drainage for a town of 3,000 would be inadequate for a town twice the size, and as the town grows the original plans are found lacking and old sewerage lines of little utility, as they must be replaced by new systems. The economic value of perfect drainage for a town cannot be over-estimated. The health of the people is paramount to all other things, and where there are unsanitary conditions a town cannot expect to enjoy the greatest prosperity, though the doctors, who are residents of the place, may have exceptionally good practice.

BUYERS SHOULD BEWARE.

Infringements of Patents by Concerns Doing a Mail-Order Business.

Recently the United States circuit court for the southern district of New York handed down a decision which is of particular interest to thousands of farmers throughout the land. Two large manufacturers of cream separators instituted a suit for infringements of their patents against one of the largest mail-order houses. The decision of the court was in favor of the complainants and a decree was rendered granting a permanent injunction and master's order on accounting in favor of the complainants. This case has been before the courts for the past two years. It is claimed that thousands of the separators, infringements upon the patents owned by the complainants, have been sold to farmers throughout the country. The laws of the United States forbid the using of patented machines, as well as the making and selling of the same. The court order means that the mail-order concern will be compelled to pay an equitable amount upon each machine manufactured and sold, as well as the payment of other damages on account of such manufacture and sales. It also means that the complainants, can prevent each purchaser of the infringed cream separator using the same, or to pay a royalty for the using of the same.

The people should derive a lesson from this. It is not safe to purchase any invention put out by a mail-order concern unless there is positive proof that it is not an infringement. Another thing is, were people inclined to patronize home concerns there would be little chance of being imposed upon, and should trouble arise over the validity of any patent, it is much easier to adjust matters with the home merchant than with some foreign mail-order house.

Ohio-Mississippi Coal Trade.

The Ohio-Mississippi coal trade, which exists to-day, is one of the greatest single movements of cargo in the world. From Pittsburg to New Orleans is 2,000 miles, all downhill. Coal in 1,000-ton barges is rafted into fleets and towed down this distance by powerful steamboats, at a cost of less than 75 cents a ton, against a railroad rate of about \$4.50—from Pittsburg to Memphis for 43 cents, against a rail rate of \$2.70. Millions of tons of coal have gone this way and always will go this way, because the boats have only to drift, and those that come back, mostly empty, are not hard to shove upstream.—Everybody's.

Ear Protection for Gunners.

The British admiralty have given attention to the question of ear protection during heavy gun firing, and it has been decided to use plasticine, with the addition of cotton wool, but the form of ear protection to be used is to be left to the individual choice of officers and men. Plasticine may be supplied to ships and gunnery schools if specially demanded. The addition of 50 to 60 grains of cotton wool has been recommended to insure perfect safety. It is pointed out that the cost of the material is very small and use is desirable in many cases.

FROM THE COMMONER

MR. BRYAN'S PAPER

PLEADING WITH THE SPEAKER.

Newspaper dispatches say that President Roosevelt invited Speaker Cannon to the White House, May 5, and bluntly told him that unless he allowed the house to do something for the public interests he would be responsible for Republican defeat. The president particularly wanted the wood pulp bill passed.

Referring to the conference between the president and the speaker, Walter Wellman in a dispatch printed in the Chicago Record-Herald says:

"Why pass a bill simply because the newspaper publishers want it? The country will declare we have discriminated in favor of the newspapers and we will receive the righteous swatting of the voters because we have done something for them and not for the rest of the people."

This, in substance, is understood to be the Cannon argument, or excuse, for not yielding to widespread pressure against free-listing pulp and paper. It is an excuse, however, that has been readily met by the new plan of action at the White House.

"If you want to do something for the rest of the people as well, you have the chance." That was in substance the answer given to Speaker Cannon to-day. Here's the postal savings bank proposition. It has been urged by the administration, is in the interest of the whole people, and the people, having studied the matter, want the system established. They want that just as much as the publishers want wood pulp and print paper on the free list. You alone stand in the way of both propositions. Act in both matters, or get off the lid and let the house act and then it cannot be said that congress was discriminating in favor of any single interest."

This must be interesting reading for Republicans who yet believe that the Republican party intends to represent the people.

Here the president of the United States invites the speaker to the White House and pleads with him to give Republican publishers—and, of course, publishers generally—relief from tariff imposition. And when the speaker says that a wood pulp bill would be a dangerous object lesson for voters who yet imagine that the foreigner pays the tax and that "the rest of the people" will then demand some relief, the president says he might give "the rest of the people" the postal savings bank. "Uncle Joe" is right so far as the object lesson is concerned. A great many Republicans who have for years patiently submitted to tariff exactions are very likely—in the face of tariff revisions for the benefit of the newspaper publishers—to ask "why not tariff revision for consumers generally?"

And why not tariff revision? If it is good for the newspaper publisher why not give it to the consumers generally? And how does it happen that this great political organization, whose leaders insist that it is the party of the people, the "party of God and morality," cannot be persuaded to legislate in public interests?

It can hardly be coaxed to give enough in the way of remedial legislation to which the Republican political managers may point as an excuse for the re-election of their party to the control of the national government?

Senator Warner of Missouri talks like a Republican who realizes that the negro vote of Missouri cannot possibly change the result this year.

A BOSTON EXAMPLE.

The president in his recent message gives an illustration of trust methods. He tells of Boston's experience with a combination which secured control of the market. He says:

"Allegations are often made to the effect that there is no real need for these laws looking to the more effective control of the great corporations, upon the ground that they will do their work well without such control. I call your attention to the accompanying copy of a report just submitted by Mr. Nathan Matthews, chairman of the finance commission, to the mayor and city council of Boston, relative to certain evil practices of various corporations which have been bidders for furnishing to the city iron and steel. This report shows that there have been extensive combinations formed among the various corporations which have business within the city of Boston, including, for instance, a carefully planned combination embracing all the firms and corporations engaged in structural steel work in New England. This combination included substantially all the local concerns, and many of the largest corporations in the United States, engaged in manufacturing or furnishing structural steel for use in any part of New England; it affected the states, the cities and towns, the railroads and street railways, and generally all persons in that section of the country. As regards the city of Boston, the combination resulted in parceling out the work by collusive bids, plainly dishonest, and supported by false affirmations."

"I have submitted this report to the department of justice for thorough investigation and for action if action shall prove practicable."

"Surely such a state of affairs as that above set forth emphasizes the need of further federal legislation, not merely because of the material ben-

efits such legislation will secure, but above all because this federal action should be part, and a large part, of the campaign to waken our people as a whole to a lively and effective condemnation of the low standard of morality implied in such conduct on the part of great business concerns. The first duty of every man is to provide a livelihood for himself and for those dependent upon him; it is from every standpoint desirable that each of our citizens should endeavor by his work and honorable methods to secure for him and his such a competence as will carry with it the opportunity to enjoy in reasonable fashion the comforts and refinements of life; and, furthermore, the man of great business ability who obtains a fortune in upright fashion inevitably in so doing confers a benefit upon the community as a whole and is entitled to reward, to respect, and to admiration. But among the many kinds of evil, social, industrial and political, which it is our duty as a nation sternly to combat, there is none at the same time more base and more dangerous than the greed which treats the plain and simple rules of honesty with cynical contempt if they interfere with making a profit; and as a nation we cannot be held guiltless if we condone such action. The man who preaches hatred of wealth, honestly acquired, who inculcates envy and jealousy and slanderous ill will toward those of his fellows who by thrift, energy and industry have become men of means, is a menace to the community."

This is a splendid illustration of the manner in which the public is robbed by private monopoly. It is time that the private monopoly was exterminated, for its extermination, instead of destroying business, will revive business and at the same time relieve the public from one of its greatest menaces.

The wages of 30,000 Massachusetts cotton mill operatives were cut ten per cent. last week. The week before 60,000 other operatives were subjected to a similar cut, and 55,000 more will get the same kind of a Republican tariff prosperity dose next year. The full dinner pail is becoming something of a hollow mockery.

"A STRONG TAFT MOVEMENT."

Writing from New York to his paper, the Chicago Record-Herald, William E. Curtis says:

"There is a strong Taft movement in Wall street. You would be surprised to hear the enthusiastic endorsements that are given to the secretary of war by the men who are supposed to be violently opposed to the policies of the president."

That sounds familiar. Commoner readers will remember that during the month of March the Taft press bureau, located at Columbus, O., sent out, according to the Washington Herald, printed slips bearing these headlines: "Business Hope Lies on Taft," "Assert Taft Is Best Candidate," "Big Wall Street House Calls on Financial Interests to Assist in Nomination." Following are extracts from the Taft circular: "Mr. Taft's long record is distinctly against any conclusion that he would continue Mr. Roosevelt's methods. He has displayed brains, ability, good judgment, and, above all, sanity, in the great and successful accomplishments of his career. We must not lose sight of the fact that there is a temperamental difference in the two men, Roosevelt and Taft. By nature and by training, as a lawyer and as a judge, Mr. Taft has always manifested a thoughtful attitude in his judgment, and a great deliberation and conservatism in his actions. Neither is it conceivable that a man of his force of character would be controlled, when in the full power of the presidency, by any outside personality."

In its issue of March 9, the Washington Herald printed an interview with Gen. Kiefer, a member of congress, in which he said that he was for Taft, and did not believe that if elected he would "too closely follow Roosevelt's ideas." It will be remembered that these reports greatly disturbed Mr. Taft and his managers and they took pains to say that the circular from the Taft headquarters had been issued by a subordinate at the Columbus office.

Later the Omaha Bee, a leading Taft organ, quoted from the New York Commercial-Advertiser this paragraph: "As to the 'me too' charge it became dead and showed not even mechanical life when it appeared that with respect to the Roosevelt policies Gov. Hughes, Senator Knox, Speaker Cannon, Vice-President Fairbanks and the others were quite as much for them as Secretary Taft."

An Aldrich bill under the Vreeland name would provide just as much commercial stretch.

THE GREAT POLITICAL THOUGHT.

The greatest political thought in the world is that embodied in the declaration of independence, namely, that all men are created equal. This is the basis of popular government, and popular government is spreading. It does not mean that men are, or will be, equal in physical strength, in intellectual ability, in moral character or in wealth—it simply means that God never gave to one human being a natural right that He denied to any other human being, and that in the contemplation of government, all must stand equal before the law. Out of this basic principle, all other political principles grow and by it all methods of government and all policies must be measured.

Congressmen who will not put pulp on the free list should be beaten to it.

Announcements.

The following rates will be charged for announcing candidates for office, cash in advance:

District offices - - - - -	\$10.00
County offices - - - - -	5.00
Precinct offices - - - - -	2.50

Democratic.

We are authorized to announce the following persons as candidates for the offices specified, subject to the action of the Democratic party:

For State Senator, 28th District

JOHN BRYAN
of Abilene
R C CRANE
of Sweetwater

For Representative 104 District:

E. B. HUMPHREYS
of Throckmorton County.
E. M. REED
of Stonewall County.

D J BROOKBROSON
of Knox County

For County Judge:

A. H. NORRIS
H. R. JONES
JOE IRBY

For County and District Clerk

J W MEADORS

For County Treasurer

A G JONES

For County Attorney:

BRUCE W. BRYANT
W. C. JACKSON

For Assessor of Taxes:

R. H. SPROWLS
J. W. TARBETT
E. W. MOSER
L. D. MORGAN
A D STAMPS
J N McFATTER

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:

M. E. PARK
J W HESTER
W W FITZGERALD
D W FIELDS

For County Superintendent of Public Schools.

T C WILLIAMS

For Constable Pre No 1

T W CARLTON

For Public Weigher Prec. No. 1:

THEODORE BOWMAN
W. A. MARSH
CLAUDE H MOONEYHAM

For Justice of Peace, Pre 1

G W LAMKIN

For County Commissioner, Pre 1

M A CLIFTON

For Commissioner Pre No 2

JNO F GILLILAND
EDWIN PATTON

For Constable Pre 4

T E SCHARFF

L. F. BURRIS

For Commissioner Pre No 4

W P McCARTY

C. F. DAVIS

J. M. GROSS

For Public Weigher Pre 6

P. J. POLLARD

Newest and most stylish line of men's neckwear at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

When you want something cool and refreshing try an arctic beverage at French Bros.

Davidson Hill Stock Co. will present a beautiful Melo-Drama in four acts, entitled "The White Slave," Friday night, June 5th.

Newest creations in men's ties at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Your old harness may cause you a serious wreck that will result in your having a doctor's bill to pay. Evers at Haskell is not the doctor but he's the man that has lots of good harness to sell cheap. 23tf

Strayed or Stolen

One bay horse about fourteen and one-half hands high, branded W. B. with bar over it on right shoulder. Will pay \$5.00 to any one taking up same and notify W. S. Bower, Carney, Texas.

FLOUR

If you are interested in good bread try our **ROYAL NO. 10** and **BEWLEY'S BEST**. These brands are made from best grade wheat, carefully milled and are guaranteed to give satisfaction.

Phone us for anything in the family grocery line.

Stephens & Smith

A HALF PINT OF WHISKEY.
What It Did for Two Boys and the Writer.

To the FREE PRESS:

The writer of this has just returned from the district court now in session in Haskell, where ended the last chapter in another whiskey crime committed about one year ago.

As the public may be interested in the true story of this crime, which involved several persons, I will try to give it together with some thoughts on whiskey and the whiskey business.

One night two boys in Carney took their sweethearts to prayer meeting. They had with them a half pint of whiskey. After prayer meeting they took their girls home and went down town to drink the whiskey. After they drank the half pint they decided it was not enough to satisfy their thirst, so they went to my house and not finding me at home, they thought of some whiskey that they had seen in the depot, so they decided to go there and get what they wanted, which they did, and got very drunk. The next morning they awoke from their drunken sleep only to realize that they were guilty of burglary and theft. Some of the whiskey they got at the depot was consigned to me. Time moved on easily until one night they were together and were overheard talking about it, and it was told to me and others.

An influential friend of one of the boys advised him that he could get out of it by turning state's evidence and went with him to the district attorney, and the boy told him that I told him to commit the crime. Later I was arrested and put under bond and when district court met I was tried and convicted on their evidence alone. The jury that decided the case was selected and sworn to try the case according to the law and evidence. The boys gave them the evidence and Judge Higgins gave them the law in his charge, part of which was that the evidence of one or more accomplices was not sufficient to sustain a conviction. After retiring they discussed the evidence and read the law and not being able to arrive at a verdict they began to discuss me as a whiskey seller and drinker and at one time a bar tender at the "Lone Wolf" saloon in the south part of the county, they proceeded to give me two years in the penitentiary, to even up these things with me generally, I suppose. Some of the things I admit I was guilty of, but hardly deserving so severe a punishment according to law.

I appealed the case and the appellate court reversed it on the insufficiency of the evidence and the conduct of the jury and the refusal of the judge to grant me a new trial, and it was dismissed on motion of the State's attorney sustained by the judge. For all of which I thank them from the depth of my heart, for God knows I was not guilty, and so it has been proven to the satisfaction of the court and, I hope,

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to the people. I fully forgive the jury and hope God will forgive them. In my prayer to God this morning on my return to prison thanking Him for my release, I remembered them kindly. They knew a crime had been committed and I had a bad reputation and ought to have something done to me, and I agree with them. Whiskey alone is responsible for that reputation and the half pint is at the bottom of all of the twenty or more felonies that have been committed in testifying, trying and deciding this case, as one wrong act calls for and leads to another. And God's laws were doubtless broken a thousand times in evil thoughts, words and deeds, besides many tears shed by sad hearted mothers and fathers over the awful crime and disgrace caused by their sons under the influence of whiskey, which is the cause of so many crimes.

People who know all of these things and then don't condemn whiskey, the whiskey traffic and its crimes are men who certainly have never set down and thought of the subject in an unbiased and unprejudiced way. My case is only one among many. I admit I had never given the subject thought from the standpoint of society and right until I was put in jail and forced to get sober. It was a blessing in disguise, to me, and I hope to soon get out and help the good people who are trying to put whiskey out of our grand state of Texas.

I will always be in the fight against the red-tongued alcohol, for it is the traffic of death. It has no care for honor, hears no cries of misery and answers no call for mercy. It defiles legislation, breaks through the flimsy barrier of the law and tramples under its cloven hoofs the holy Sabbath and the laws of God. It grows rich on the hard earned wages of poverty, fattens on murdered souls of men and women, sets in its stately palace or lounges in its filthy dens, laughs at broken homes, sneers at the widow's tears, mocks the orphan's cry for bread and laughs as it dims the lustre of ambition in the eye of youth. Oh for a thousand hammers to fight it with, I feel like I have use for them all.

Yours,
EUGENE HALL.

The Fifth Sunday Meeting and Sunday School Rally at Rochester.

The Baptist forces met at Rochester May 29th for their Fifth Sunday meeting and Sunday School rally.

Friday was spent in Association work and Saturday and Sunday in Sunday School work. It was, all told, the best thing of the kind ever held in the county.

The Mission Board paid the missionary and had money left in the treasury. A committee was appointed to secure a gospel tent for the missionary to hold revival meetings and a fund was set aside to pay a gospel singer.

The Sunday School program was of especial interest. Four schools were represented with well gotten up programs which created great enthusiasm.

It is the intention to hold such rallies at every Fifth Sunday meeting, and the next one will probably be at Haskell.

J. T. Nicholson.

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A STARTLING ADVENTURE.

In Which a Haskell Lady Makes a Marvelous Escape from Death.

On Friday of last week Mr. Jas. A. Hankerson of this place, who is the official court stenographer for this judicial district, received a telegram from Cora Smith of the flood relief committee stating that a girl 17 years of age, blue eyed, with a letter pinned to her clothes with his address on the envelope, was taken out of the Trinity River below Dallas on Monday morning, that she could neither speak nor walk and was thought to be injured internally and that they had been told to send her to Abilene and for him to meet her there with nurses and a doctor on that date.

Mr. Hankerson believed the person described was his wife and he wired the Alexander Sanatorium at Abilene to prepare for her reception and he took the first train for Abilene, where he met the girl, who proved to be his wife.

The next morning she was still unable to speak, but under careful nursing in the sanatorium she soon became able to talk and tell something of her harrowing experiences in the Trinity flood.

Mr. Hankerson has written briefly of the circumstances to Judge Higgins, to whom the FREE PRESS is indebted for what follows: Mr. Hankerson writes that his wife was on a visit to her grandparents at Dallas, where her grandmother was in a sanitarium and she and her grandfather were living at his home in West Dallas when the flood came. Her grandfather seeing that the house would be washed away swam to land and secured a boat, but before he could return the house had been carried away by the mighty rush of water. Mrs. Hankerson tells how the house was overturned and she managed to get on top of it, where a pet colt which belonged to the family saw her and nickered as if imploring assistance and she called to it and it swam up to the house and she caught the halter it had on and tied the strap to her arm then got off the house into the water in the hope of reaching land with the assistance of the colt. Before getting into the water she pinned the letter mentioned in the telegram to her clothing. She, with the colt, drifted several miles and was finally hit by a floating log and rendered unconscious. It seems that they had gotten into shallow water and the colt held her head up by means of the halter strap sufficiently to prevent her being drowned, and so they were found by a rescuing party in a boat after she had been in the water more than three hours.

She with others was carried to Fort Worth to be cared for and was identified by the letter pinned to her clothing. Although unable to speak and partially paralyzed, she at times knew what was going on and being said around her and heard the doctor who examined her say that she could not recover.

Mrs. Hankerson was so far recovered that she was able to come home sooner than it was thought she could, and she was brought up on Thursday by her husband. She is still, however, partially paralyzed and unable to help herself much.

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Notice to Candidates.

The primary election law requires that any person desiring his name to appear on the official ballot for the primary election as a candidate for any county or precinct office, or county chairman shall file his written application with the county chairman not later than the Saturday before the third Monday in June (June 13, 1908). Such application must state the applicant's occupation and post office address and be acknowledged by him before an officer authorized to take acknowledgements to deeds. No one who fails to file his application as above can get his name on the official ballot.

C. D. LONG, Chairman
Co. Ex. Com.

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 Terrell's Drug Store and they will supply you with a sample bottle of Re-Go Tonic Laxative Syrup, free. Re-Go is a sure cure for these diseases. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold at Terrell's Drug store.

It created a good deal of comment and criticism when, a few years ago, a session of congress appropriated half a billion dollars for all purposes of the government. We now have the startling sum of one billion and twenty-five million dollars appropriated by the session of congress which adjourned last Saturday. That is going some, and if the people keep the republicans in power we will go some more, as they seem to consider each reelection an endorsement of their previous extravagancies.

In a speech in the senate a few days ago Senator Culberson called attention to the fact that during the six years of President Roosevelt's administration 99,319 officers have been created! Just a little matter of 100,000,000 of dollars a year added to the government pay roll if the salaries average no more than a thousand dollars a year. Give the republicans a few more years lease of power and all of them will get on the pay roll.

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Vontress News.

To the FREE PRESS:

Mr. Editor, I am here again. The health of this community is fairly good at this time.

Crops are fine, the farmers are putting in their time since the rain in their fields. Everything is growing nicely, even the grass.

The Children's Day at Robert's School house was fine, the children did well, but the good Sisters did better, for we had a good dinner and plenty of it. Also had singing and a sermon to the children in the afternoon.

Those attending from this place were: Mrs. A. J. Via and son, Andrew and two daughters, Misses Virgie and Myrtle, Miss Sallie Mayfield, Misses Linnin and Ila Via, Messrs. John Yates and John Mayfield, and Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Taylor. All report a good time, also, they compliment the children's pieces.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Merchant visited with their son Arthur, of Roberts community, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Maud Roberst and sisters from Haskell were visiting their brother John of Roberts school house Sunday.

Mr. Bob Merchant, who has been in California ever since the first of January came in some time ago, he had been with his brother Thea, who has been ill, but said he left Thea improving.

Mr. John Mayfield recently returned to his father's home at this place.

It looks as if we are going to have some more rain. The farmers would like to get their crops ploughed over before it rains any more, but if it is the Master's will, let it rain; He is mightier than we.

I will come again some other time. I will close by bidding Rag and Wax Dolls and The Hatless Man good bye.

BROWN EYES.

June 2, '08.

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Choicest cold drinks at French Bros.

Long Silk Gloves at Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mr. H. T. King an attorney of Abilene, attended district court Monday.

Dr. Reagan of Rule took the train at this place Monday for points in east Texas.

Get some of that Val Lace for 5 cents per yard at Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mr. Dwight VanPelt of Bastrop is visiting his mother Mrs. N. McNeil.

Swell line of men's neckwear on sale at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Mr. J. A. Stephens an attorney of the Benjamin bar was in attendance upon our district court Monday.

See those men's ties at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Mr. Jack Harwell of the south side was in the city Monday.

Lace and insertion to match for 5 cents per yard at Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mr. J. E. Bolles of the north side was in the city Monday and added his name to our subscription list.

"GLOVERSILK" stands for full value in Silk Gloves at Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mrs. F. D. Young left Tuesday morning for Fort Worth to submit to an operation for appendicitis.

The coldest and best thing in town—those cold drinks at French Bros.

Mr. J. C. Freeman has sold his residence to Mr. W. H. Murchison.

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Mr. Wallace Alexander went on a trip to Fort Worth Tuesday.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. W. McGregor spent Saturday visiting in Weirter.

Baggage transferred to all parts of the city, ring No. 114 or Rupe & Pearsey.

Mr. A. J. Rhodes of southwest part was a caller at the FREE PRESS office Thursday.

Mr. L. D. Webster of Carney editor of the Tribune of that place was a caller at the FREE PRESS office Thursday.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson.

June corn and cotton see for sale at my farm one mile east of town. F. D. C. Middleton.

Judge Jas. P. Kinnard has returned from Palestine, to which place he went last week to attend the funeral of a brother-in-law.

The best in Style, Fit and quality are found in "GLOVERSILK" at Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mr. Louis Gardner has sold his day business to Mr. Goe Fields, and Mr. Gardner has purchased the new and second hand business in the old postoffice building.

If you want a fancy California hand stamped belt, hat band or purse, see Evers' line at his harness shop in Haskell. 23tf

On last Wednesday night the protracted meeting at the Methodist church closed. There were seventy-five additions to the church.

Boys, drop in and see those new ties at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Mr. Jno. E. Robertson of Weirter was in the city Wednesday.

Miss Minadele Davis returned Monday from San Marcos where she has been attending school.

Newest patterns and designs in men's ties at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Goodfresh Jersey cows shipped from Lewis' farm at Tyler. Get you a milch cow. W. T. Hudson.

Choke yourself with one of those new ties at Alexander Mercantile Co's.

Prof. Watson made a business trip to Rule Wednesday.

Miss Bessie Parker is visiting in Seymour this week.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson.

Miss Mary and Emma Nicholson, who have been attending Simmons college at Abilene, came home Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Donohoo of Rule visited in Haskell the early part of the week.

STRAYED—From Rule, one sorrell horse with blaze face, white spot in left eye; is about twelve years old. Will pay liberal reward for his return or information as to his whereabouts. F. T. SANDERS.

Mr. W. H. Spiser of Segerton was in the city Tuesday. He informed us that the Segerton people were arranging to have a big picnic and jollification. He said the exact date had not been fixed but that it would come off about the 18 or 20th of this month.

Davidson Hill Stock Co. will present a beautiful drama in four acts, entitled "A Woman's Honor," Saturday night, June 6, 1908.

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Miss Elsie Bennett, a teacher in the Stamford Collegiate Institute, visited the family of Mr. S. A. Hughes last week.

Miss Floy Payne returned home Monday morning from Waco, where she has been attending school.

I have plenty of fine cotton seed, cane seed, grain, hay and other feed stuff. Come and see me and be convinced as to quality and prices. G. J. Miller.

Mr. W. S. Hicks has resigned his position with the FREE PRESS and will open up a job printing office. Mr. Hicks has worked on the FREE PRESS most the time for the past seven or eight years, and is competent for the undertaking he has in view.

Hon. J. F. Cunningham of Abilene addressed a large crowd at the court house here Monday. Mr. Cunningham is making a very thorough canvass of the district, he having spoken in 52 counties, and will only have to speak in four more to complete a canvass of the district.

Dr. A. G. Neathery returned the early part of the week from a trip to Amarillo, Lubbock, Plainview, the Plains and Artesia in Mexico. Dr. Neathery said he met Mr. Fletcher Turner at Artesia. Mr. Turner was one of the pioneers of Haskell County, but moved from here about twelve years ago.

Mrs. A. C. Sherick accompanied by Mr. Sherick and Mrs. F. M. Morton left Wednesday morning for Fort Worth, where Mrs. Sherick will submit to an operation for appendicitis.

Mr. J. H. Shipman, who lives on the Pinkerton and Stamford road twelve miles southeast of Haskell, was in town Monday. Mr. Shipman says they have a town started which they call London and, while it may never attain to the size of its English namesake, it is, like all other West Texas towns, flourishing.

They have as a starter a general store, of which Mr. Shipman is proprietor, also of a gin and blacksmith shop. Mr. Shipman did the proper thing by having his name enrolled on our subscription list.

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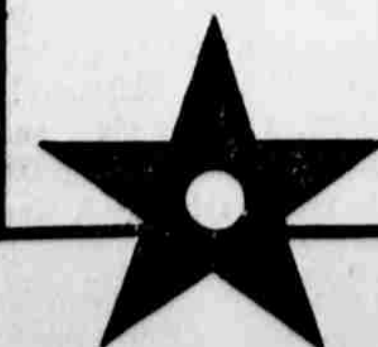
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AN UNPARALLELED FLOOD MANY LIVES ARE LOST MILLIONS OF DOLLARS GONE.

All North Texas Suffers, but cities of Dallas and Fort Worth Are Particularly Hard Hit.

Dallas, May 27.—The highest flood ever known has raged down the Trinity since last Sunday morning, following heavy rains and waterspouts Saturday and Sunday night. The highest point reached by the Trinity at Dallas was late Monday afternoon, when the gauge showed a height of 52.4 feet, which is nearly half a foot higher than the flood of 1890. The river bed having been cleared of obstructions and its margins freed from overhanging trees and other growth for many miles, made it possible for the channel to carry away the floods more rapidly and prevented a much higher rise. In a material way the railroads have suffered most severely. Hundreds of feet of the Texas and Pacific trestle have been swept away. The Rock Island's new dump and much trestle work are so badly damaged that it will be many days before traffic can be resumed. While the bridges and trestles of the Houston and Texas Central are still standing, as well as those of the Katy and the Santa Fe, they are so badly damaged that it will require some time and much labor to put them in passable condition. The only means of reaching Oak Cliff and West Dallas is by boat, nearly a mile across the bottoms—West Dallas being reached via Oak Cliff and thence by wagons. The damage to the Oak Cliff electric lines, dump, and trestle work can not now be estimated, as much of the double track dump is comparatively new and under water. The West Dallas pike and bridges are still under water, and no estimate of these losses, which fall upon the county, can be given, but will be very heavy. Standing at the foot of Commerce Street one faces a sea of muddy and debris-strewn water, raging and foaming down the bottom, reaching to West Dallas and Oak Cliff foothills, from one to two miles wide and, outside of the river bed, from ten to thirty feet deep.

Early Monday morning the plant of the Dallas Electric Light and Power Company was put out of service, and the city has since remained in darkness, and the thousands depending upon electric power to drive the machinery upon which they worked are idle. Only the smaller plant of the Wakefield corporation was operating, and every unit of its power was as judiciously distributed as possible over the electric car system, and all the city lines have given an unbroken although limited service. At this time (8:30 a. m. Wednesday) the electric current is turned on for the first time to power users since Sunday.

About the time the large electric plant of the light and power company went out, the city water works pumps and machinery were submerged, and not a drop of water has been available since very early Monday. The prospects are for a resumption of

pumping today, and it will require at least two or three days to clean out all the mains and leads, which have been filled with water from the storm sewers to be used in case of a downtown conflagration.

The telegraph and telephone wires between Dallas and Oak Cliff are all destroyed and the Zang's Boulevard bridge is gone, with the levee many feet under water.

In the bottoms and on the foothills in West Dallas and Oak Cliff, on the skirts of Chestnut Hill and up the river, in the northern portion of the city, and scores of houses have been washed away, besides dozens and dozens that have been damaged, from the degree of total wrecks to such as results from simple inundation. In the majority of the hundreds of houses, but little of the contents were saved, and that little in a badly damaged condition. It is said to be a conservative estimate to put the homeless population at 4000 persons. In West Dallas, in Oak Cliff and in the city many churches have been pressed into service as temporary homes for shelterless unfortunates.

More Than a Million Loss.

The financial loss to Dallas alone will reach far beyond the million dollar mark, as careful estimates of the known railway, municipal and private losses already exceed a million dollars. The most pitiable feature of the story lies in the fact that the homes lost were those of the poorer class of home owners, enticed by the lower price of the lots and by the tempting terms upon which they were offered to buy and build on the installment plan. These have stood helplessly by and watched the accumulations of years of labor and sacrifice go down into the torrents of maddened waters, or else fleeing in the darkness, dared not take time to look back, so suddenly did the floods come in some localities.

Soul-Harrowing Scene.

On Monday morning, while the floods had not yet reached their height, at least ten thousand people stood on the banks of the river and watched the floods. At 9 o'clock the long trestle which approaches the Texas and Pacific bridge from the west suddenly gave way and precipitated ten persons who were on it into the middle of the torrent. The accident was witnessed by fully 15,000 people who lined the eastern bank and these sent up a mighty groan of horror at the sight. Six of the struggling men were finally rescued more dead than alive, but the multitude was forced to stand helpless while it watched the three others fight gallantly for a time and then succumb to blows from heavy beams which hurled through the water, sinking never to rise again. Their bodies have not been recovered and not even their names

known with certainty. Scores of others who were on the trestle had narrow escapes, some even falling into the shallow water, from which they were rescued only with the greatest difficulty.

Just before 3 o'clock Monday morning E. Pemberton, who lives on the Eagle Ford road, learned that the water was rapidly approaching his dwelling, which fronts directly on the road. He was in the city of Dallas at the time. He at once started to go to his family—his wife and one small child.

On the way he learned that his family was safe but that the water was in his house.

Turning back in haste Pemberton now thoroughly wet with perspiration, but with a strong heart from learning that his family was safe, ran for the greater part of the distance back into the city and made his way almost exhausted into the office of the News.

"As I crossed the Texas and Pacific trestle coming back," he said, "some poor man was crying for help as he passed clinging to some driftwood, under the trestle. I rushed down as close as possible, but could not aid him. He passed away and I heard him giving despairing cries as he seemed to lose his hold on the log to which he had been clinging. The poor fellow was drowned almost in my sight."

The Sheriff impressed all the available river craft and rescued many people from trees and housetops where they had spent many hours.

On Monday a systematic relief campaign was set on foot, and Tuesday boatloads of food were sent to West Dallas, the hardest hit locality.

A washout occurred on the Katy between Fort Worth and Denton. It will probably be impossible for trains to be operated on schedule time today.

The high water of Village Creek covered the tracks east of Handley for more than a mile, and all efforts to operate cars beyond Handley proved futile. Hopes are being entertained that operations may be resumed by tonight. The full extent of the damage to the tracks is not known.

Hourly trains were operated by the Frisco from Fort Worth to North Fort Worth, and through that source employees of the packing plants will be cared for today, and until street car traffic is resumed, which may be several days hence.

In Fort Worth alone the damage is estimated at probably in excess of a million dollars, and while two men are reported to have been drowned, their bodies have not been recovered.

A cyclone at Newark, Wise County, Saturday night marked havoc in the business part of the town, but no lives were lost.

Reports received from Fort Worth last night said that nearly every rail-

road leading into Fort Worth was crippled. Through passenger trains on the Rock Island are now running back to Chickasha, but expectations are that trains will be operated as far as Waurika today. Between Fort Worth and Waurika the track was washed out in many places ranging from 100 to 2000 feet, telegraph wires are down and traffic will not be resumed for at least a week. The line to Dallas also has a washout, and a week will be necessary in which to make repairs.

On the Frisco a washout and a lost bridge has been suffered between Brownwood and Brooksmith, and another washout at North Fort Worth. But all trains are expected to be running on schedule time today. A serious washout occurred on the Cotton Belt between Carrollton and Grapevine, where a portion of the track and an abutment of a bridge are missing.

Waco, Tex., May 25.—The Brazos river was thirty-five feet and seven inches deep at 9 o'clock last night and still rising. The present depth is the highest point on record and is six inches above the mark attained earlier this month. Backwater in the two creeks on the west side has overflowed many blocks and on the east side an area of fifty blocks is under water. The loss is heavy and many families have been driven out of their homes. The submerged sections of the city are being patrolled by policemen and deputy sheriffs in boats. The Bosque is more than a mile out of its banks. Farms in the Bosque and Brazos valleys, where cotton and corn were being cultivated yesterday are deep under water.

The present great flood was caused by torrential rains and water spouts occurring last night.

Parts of wrecked houses and big trees were seen in the floating masses going down the Brazos tonight.

As a precaution, travel across the big steel bridge and the suspension bridge was stopped by the authorities. The two railway bridges are also considered in jeopardy.

The flood water has nearly reached the National cotton press at 9:30 o'clock last night. Fire broke out in the flooded district, adding to the dismay and confusion.

At midnight it was reported from Guthrie, Okla., that there had been a steady downpour of rain for more than twenty-six hours and that the chances were at that time that the rainfall would continue throughout the night. Resulting from the deluge, the Cottonwood river, running through Guthrie, threatens to leave its banks, in which event much of the lowland will be under water.

A message from Chandler states that trains on the Frisco through there have been abandoned for the night.

A heavy rainstorm prevailed in the region of Lawton for the last thirty-six hours and reports from there say railroad service has been abandoned.

A telegram from El Reno states the Canadian river near there is beyond its banks and many families in the bottoms were forced to leave their homes. The overflow particularly effects North El Reno. A six foot rise in the Canadian there is reported since 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas in Oklahoma was forced to quit at noon Sunday when the bridge on the main line at Eufaula went down. To add to the disaster, the main supplying natural gas to the eastern part of the state was carried away with the Clarksville bridge, and the supply of gas for Muskogee and several other Southwestern Oklahoma towns was entirely cut off. Officials of the gas company said it will be a week before repairs can be made so that the gas supply can again be carried. As natural gas is used for lighting and heating purposes, business will be suspended in a measure.

A special train of eight cars of mules and grading outfits from Silver City, N. M., to be used for grading the Gainesville, Whitesboro and Sherman interurban railway, reached Gainesville Friday and were unloaded and distributed along the new route.

Thirty-five thousand coal miners in Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas, members of the United Mine Workers of America, who have been on a strike since March 1, last, will return to work this and next week.

"Helpful Hints" That Hinder.

Many of the "helpful hints" followed by our mothers are now proved utterly useless, if not more harmful than helpful. For instance, no one now uses moist tea leaves to clean a carpet or rug, because of the inevitable staining. And salt used on a carpet collects dampness and rusts the tacks. Newspapers, dampened and torn, answer the purpose much more satisfactorily. Rugs should be shaken from the sides, for the strain of the weight on the end is very apt to loosen the web.

The Entire Family.

Grand Pop used it for Rheumatism. Dad for Cuts, Sprains and Bruises. Mamma for Burns, Scalds and Aches. Sis for Catarrh and Chills. I use it for everything, and it never disappoints any of us. It surely yanks any old pain out by the roots.

Hunt's Lightning Oil is what I am telling you about.

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"Sir," said the imperial ruler of all the Russias, "do you realize what a gulf of inequality yawns between ordinary humanity and an autocrat?" "Dear me!" answered the dourmate in mild surprise. "Is this gulf proposition a czarism?"

WARNING FARMERS. Write Dr. Chas. F. Simmons, of San Antonio, Texas, for information about his fine South Texas farm lands that he is selling in lots from 10 to 640 acres for \$210, including two town lots on payments of \$10 per month.

The winner is he who gives himself his work, body and mind—Chas. Buxton.

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AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM. Take the Old Standard GILVES TASTELESS CHILLS TONIC. You know what you are taking. The formula is printed on every bottle, showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteless form, and the most effective remedy for malarial fever and children. 66c.

He that will lose his friend for a jest deserves to die a beggar by the bargain.—Fuller.

Hicks' Capudine Cures Nervousness. Whether tired out, worried, sleepless or what not. It quiets and refreshes brain and nerves. It's liquid and pleasant to take. Trial bottle 10c. Regular size 25c and 50c at druggists.

It takes a conceited man to make a continuous hit—with himself.

HELPFUL ADVICE



You won't tell your family doctor the whole story about your private illness—you are too modest. You need not be afraid to tell Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., the things you could not explain to the doctor. Your letter will be held in the strictest confidence. From her vast correspondence with sick women during the past thirty years she may have gained the very knowledge that will help you ease. Such letters as the following, from grateful women, establish beyond a doubt the power of

LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND

to conquer all female diseases. Mrs. Norman R. Barndt, of Allentown, Pa., writes:

"Ever since I was sixteen years of age I had suffered from an organic derangement and female weakness; in consequence I had dreadful headaches and was extremely nervous. My physician said I must go through an operation to get well. A friend told me about Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I took it and wrote you for advice, following your directions carefully, and thank you I am today a well woman, and I am telling all my friends of my experience."

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CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS. Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature. REFUSE SUBSTITUTES.

JUSTICE DURHAM KILLED.

Bullet Through the Heart Brings Instant Death.

Cleburne, Tex., May 23.—Tul O. Durham, about 32 years of age, Justice of the Peace of Precinct No. 1, which embraces Cleburne, was shot and killed last night on the court house square.

Mart Black, about 50 years of age was taken into custody a few minutes later by Officer James Henderon and was placed in the Johnson County jail charged with doing the shooting. Mr. Black is a railroad trainman, and a man of family.

Last night Mr. Black and his oldest daughter, Miss Bessie, were downtown and walked by the drug store on the southwest corner of the square. Justice Durham was standing near the cigar case in the store conversing with friends when Mr. Black and his daughter stopped on the walk in front of the place and Miss Black spoke to

Justice Durham, who then went to the door, where a few words were exchanged.

In an instant a shot was fired, and Mr. Durham fell to the sidewalk, a bullet having pierced his heart and come out under the shoulder, falling to the pavement. Another shot was fired, but did not take effect.

Monk Gibson Sentenced.

Cuero: At 4:30 Monday afternoon District Judge Wilson in special session of court sentenced Monk Gibson, a negro, charged with the murder of the Conditt family near Edna, to hang Saturday, June 27. When asked from the bench whether he had anything to say, the prisoner simply replied: "No, sir."

The Commercial Club of Stamford has been taking very active steps toward securing a Carnegie Library for Stamford, and has received a great deal of encouragement in the matter.

Practical Application of Split-Log Drag.

Sherman: Bert Clerk, a well known blacksmith of this city, has the contract to make seventy-five split log drags for the county. Sixteen of those were completed Saturday afternoon and have been sent out as rapidly as completed. This is in connection with the offer of the county commissioners' court to furnish every neighborhood in the county with a drag where it would be agreed to drag two miles of road.

Representative McConnell Killed.

Mineral Wells, Tex.: Hon W. E. McConnell, Representative from this district, was shot and killed in this city Tuesday afternoon about 5 o'clock. The killing occurred at the home of Jeff Pearson, in the eastern part of town. Mr. McConnell had gone there it seems, on legal business when he was killed. Jeff Pearson, who is a prominent citizen of Mineral Wells, came up town and gave himself up to the officers.

New State Legislature Adjourns.

Guthrie, Ok.: Gov. Haskell has approved the bill by Representative Anthony, levying taxes upon the gross receipts of earnings of public service corporations, upon inheritances and gifts and upon incomes in excess of \$3,500 per year and the bill imposing a graduated tax upon land held in excess of 640 acres, as well as all land leased in excess of a like amount. The 160-day session, as provided by the constitution, adjourned Tuesday night sine die.

Horse Killed; Rider Drowned.

Brownwood, Tex.: Otho Elliott, who runs a livery stable, got on a horse and started to Bailey addition to see an employe. While galloping along he ran into a place where a bridge had washed away. The horse had his neck broken in two places. It is thought that Elliott was only stunned, but fell into a foot of water and was drowned before help arrived.

Seven Indictments Against Lamphere.

Laporte, Ind., May 23.—The Grand Jury has returned seven indictments against Ray Lamphere, one each charging the murder of Mrs. Bella Guinness, Phillip Guinness, Lucy Sorenson and Myrtle Sorenson, by destroying the Guinness house, one for arson in destroying the Guinness house by fire, one for the murder of Andrew Helgelein on January 14, and one for accessory in assisting Mrs. Guinness in the murder of Helgelein.

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CASON, COX & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Anthony and children of Austin arrived yesterday morning on a visit to relatives and old friends here. The family were for years citizens of Haskell and Mr. Anthony served the county for several terms as sheriff and tax collector, but for the last several years has held an important position in the state comptroller's office.

Mr. E. H. Curtis of the McCannell neighborhood was in town Thursday, having been summoned on a special venire in district court. Mr. Curtis called in and subscribed for the Free Press. He says that cotton is up to a good stand generally and that all crops are in fine condition in his section.

Cascasweet is for babies and children, and is especially good for the ill so common in hot weather. Look for the ingredients on the bottle. Contains no harmful drugs. Sold by French Bros.

A Wreck.
is the only fit description for the man or woman who is crippled with rheumatism. Just a few rheumatic tinges may be the forerunner of a severe attack—stop the trouble at the start with Ballard's Snow Liniment. Cures the rheumatism and all pains. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 at Terrell's Drug Store.

Farm For Sale.
A good improved farm of 130 acres located 2 miles from Goldtown on the Wichita valley R. R. good 4 room dwelling good underground cistern, barn and out-house. 80 acres in cultivation. A bargain if sold at once, \$25.00 per acre on good terms.
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Box 351, Haskell, Texas.

Messrs. G. L. Webster and Terry Davis made a business trip to Rule last Saturday.
Mr. Walter Hicks is on a business trip to Dallas.

BANKS.
OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION
Of the Haskell State Bank at Haskell, State of Texas, at the close of business on the 14th day of May, 1908, published in the Free Press, a newspaper printed and published at Haskell, State of Texas, on the 30th day of May 1908.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$21,250.00
Loans, real estate	1,570.00
Overdrafts	5,402.00
Furniture and Fixtures	1,050.00
Due from Approved Reserve Banks	22,052.00
Cash Items	242.75
Currents	3,155.00
Specie	6,901.19
Total	\$50,900.00

LIABILITIES.
Capital stock paid in \$10,000.00
Undivided profits, net \$12,750.00
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check 2,100.00
Individual Deposits, subject to check 28,200.00
Time Certificates of Deposit 200.00
Total \$50,900.00

State of Texas, County of Haskell.
We, A. C. Snorick as president, and H. E. Fields as cashier of said bank, each of us do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of our knowledge and belief.
H. E. Fields, Cashier.
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 25th day of May, A. D. nineteen hundred and eight. Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.
J. L. Robertson,
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MEETING CALLED
Democratic Executive Committee to Meet June 15th.

The Democratic Executive Committee of Haskell county is hereby called to meet at the court house in Haskell on the third Monday in June, being the 15th inst., to take action in accordance with the election law of the State on the following matters:

- To determine by lot the order in which the names of all candidates shall be printed on the election ticket.
 - To decide whether the nomination of county officers shall be by majority or plurality vote.
 - To estimate the cost of tickets, election blanks, stationery, compensation of election officers and other necessary expenses of holding the election.
 - To apportion the estimated cost of holding the primary election among the various candidates for county and precinct offices in proportion to the importance and emoluments of the several offices.
 - To receive from the county chairman the certificates of the state and district chairmen of the names of all candidates for state and district offices which are authorized to appear on the primary ticket, and to transact such other business as shall properly come before the county committee at such meeting.
- This is the most important meeting that is to be held by the county committee prior to the election and each precinct committeeman is urged to attend it.
C. D. LONG, chairman
Dem. Co. Ex. Com.

Mr. Ad Tonn, formerly of Sagerton but now of Truscott on the Orient Railroad, was in the city Monday. He stated to the FREE PRESS reporter that the Orient bridge on the south Wichita River was about completed and that his town was growing rapidly. He also said that crops in his section are fine.

Baptist Meeting.
Rev. J. A. Ar buckle, pastor-evangelist, of Cameron, Texas, will hold a protracted meeting at the Baptist church in Haskell, beginning on the first Sunday in July.

It Reached the Spot.
Mr. E. Humphrey, who owns a large general store at Omega, O., and is president of the Adams County Telephone company, as well as of the Home Telephone company, of Pike county, Ohio, says of Dr. King's New Discovery: "It saved my life once. At least I think it did. It seemed to reach the spot—the very seat of my cough—when everything else failed." Dr. King's New Discovery not only reaches the cough spot; it heals the sore spots and the weak spots and the weak spots in the throat, lungs and chest. Sold under guarantee at Terrell's Drug Store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

The World's Best Climate
is not entirely free from disease, on the high elevations fevers prevail, while on the lower levels malaria is encountered to a greater or less extent, according to altitude. To overcome climate affections lassitude, malaria, jaundice, biliousness, fever and ague, and general debility, the most effective remedy is Electric Bitters, the great alterative and blood purifier; the antidote for every form of bodily weakness, nervousness, and insomnia. Sold under guarantee at Terrell's Drug Store. Price 50c.

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

REMEMBER
It's not how you live, but how's your liver? If not in perfect order, make it so by using Simmons' Liver Purifier, -tin boxes only. It's the surest, safest and most agreeable aid to that organ ever put in.

Mr. John Riba, of Vining, La., says: "I have been selling DeWitt's Kidney and Bladder Pills for about a year and they give better satisfaction than any pill I ever sold." Sold by French Bros.

Mr. L. D. Nolen of Weinert is visiting friends in Haskell.

Childrens Day Exercises.
At Christian Church Sunday Evening June 7th at 8:30 P.M. The Christian Sunday School will give the regular Children's Day Exercises entitled Cross and Crown: This is our annual day for the children to make an offering for Foreign Missions, and we hope to have the best exercises this year that we ever had. Our school has been contributing to this work regularly for the last few years and expect to exceed all former years this time. The Sunday Schools of our Church contributed over \$77.00 last year for foreign missions alone, and our own school gave liberal in that work, besides we give entire collections on the 1st Sunday in each month to our Orphans home at Dallas.

We hope to have the house well filled, come and encourage the children in this life work of the church. You will be welcome and we assure you that the exercises will be pleasing to you. Come and be prepared to make an offering for mission work in foreign fields.
No admission charged.
J. L. Robertson, Supt.

THE HASKELL ICE PLANT.
Now in Full Operation, Producing a Superior Quality of Ice.
The Haskell ice plant filled its huge vats with water and began the operation of making ice the first of this week. The capacity of the ice vats is 125 tons and by the last of the week they will have that quantity of ice. On the first run it was necessary to fill and freeze the entire system of vats, thereafter as the ice is removed the vats are refilled with water and the freezing process continued, the daily capacity being eighteen tons.

As stated in a previous article in the FREE PRESS, the system employed is a new one; the Haskell plant being the fourth of its kind put in in the United States. It is claimed to possess very superior merits over the older systems, in that all particles of matter, or trash, are expelled by pumping into the vats streams of compressed air, which keeps it thoroughly aereated and in constant, rapid motion, thus washing away all particles instead of allowing them to settle into the cakes of ice; that the ice is frozen at a lower temperature, that is, at eight degrees above zero or 24 degrees below the normal freezing point, and therefore is harder and will not melt so rapidly; the ammonia vapor nor any chemical does not come in contact with the water or ice and it is entirely free of any chemical taste or odor and is more healthful to use.

The writer called at the plant a day or so ago and was given a chunk of ice which he used at home and which seemed to substantiate all the claims made for it.

Valued Same as Gold.
B. G. Stewart, merchant of Cedar View, Miss., says: "I tell my customers when they buy a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills they get the worth of that much gold in weight, if afflicted with constipation, malaria, or biliousness." Sold under guarantee at Terrell's Drug Store. 25c.

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

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