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Well, miss, if you go to New York you'll see their mates on Fifth avenue and Broadway.



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You may be sure they came from our store. We are the folks of this town who keep the styles up and the prices down. We know how. This wouldn't be the busiest Store if it wasn't ALWAYS THE BEST.

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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.

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Mr. W. A. Whatley has one of the best equipped blacksmith shops in West Texas. He runs his forging hammers, fans and some other machinery with a gasoline engine, thus avoiding some of the hardest labor and turning out well finished work

promptly. See his ad in this paper.

Mr. H. B. Payne of Rule was over Thursday. He had the misfortune to lose his residence by fire on Tuesday night. His loss was only partly covered by insurance.

Financial Statement of the City of Haskell, EXHIBIT

List of names of parties from whom money has been received to March 31st, 1908.

GENERAL FUND			
DATE RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	ON WHAT ACCOUNT & CHARACTER OF PAYMENT	AMT. \$ cts
7 2 1907	City Marshal	General Fund.....	17.00
7 29 "	"	"	20.00
7 30 "	"	"	15.50
8 8 "	"	"	7.50
7 3 "	"	"	4.00
8 26 "	"	"	8.00
9 30 "	"	"	24.00
10 15 "	"	"	7.00
11 4 "	"	"	17.00
2 5 1908	"	Taxes ..	1300.10
3 31 "	"	Taxes ..	14.87
			1,434.97
Amount of city script taken on taxes			
2 5 "	City Marshal	General Fund.....	51.70
3 31 "	"	"	68.32
			120.02

List of names of parties from whom money has been received ending March 31st, 1908.

STREET AND ALLEY FUND			
DATE RECEIVED	FROM WHOM RECEIVED	ON WHAT ACCOUNT & CHARACTER OF PAYMENT	AMT. \$ cts
8 2 1907	City Marshal	Street and Alley.....	50.00
8 8 "	"	"	15.00
8 26 "	"	"	90.00
9 7 "	"	"	40.00
9 13 "	"	"	25.00
9 20 "	"	"	15.00
9 21 "	T. E. Matthews	"	75.00
10 21 "	"	"	20.00
10 26 "	"	"	30.00
11 7 "	"	"	10.00
2 5 1908	City Marshal, taxes	"	520.04
3 6 "	Road ..	"	173.00
3 31 "	"	"	5.95
			1068.99
Amount of city script taken on taxes			
2 5 "	City Marshal	Street and Alley.....	20.68
3 31 "	"	"	27.35

List of names of parties to whom money has been paid March 31st, 1908.

GENERAL FUND	
TO WHOM ISSUED	AMT. \$ cts.
City Marshal.....	50.00
"	50.00
J. J. Westbrook & Bro... 10.00	
S. R. Rike.....	75.00
W. H. Murchison.....	50.00
City Marshal.....	67.59
"	50.00
"	50.00
"	50.00
J. J. Westbrook & Bro... 10.00	
S. R. Rike.....	20.00
J. F. Vernon.....	5.11
O. E. Patterson.....	10.00
M. A. Clifton.....	10.00
Haskell Free Press.....	32.65
J. W. Meadors	25.00
City Marshal.....	250.00
Geo. D. Barnard & Co ... 158.00	
Geo. J. Graham.....	3.28
J. M. Dabney.....	250.00
1226.63	

List of names of parties to whom money has been paid to March 31st, 1908.

STREET & ALLEY FUND		
ISSUE NO.	TO WHOM ISSUED \$ cts.	
	G. P. Jones.....	49.20
	J. C. Pence.....	29.75
	J. W. Crane.....	42.40
	P. R. Crane.....	29.75
	R. L. Jackson.....	17.50
	E. W. Sandlen.....	3.75
	Ed Thornton25
	E. E. Moore.....	11.00
	E. E. Moore.....	7.00
	H. C. Wyche.....	75.00
	E. E. Moore.....	12.00
	E. E. Moore.....	7.00
	C. B. Griffin.....	9.65
6	E. E. Moore.....	13.00
	H. C. Wyche.....	6.00
	H. C. Wyche.....	54.00
9	J. N. McFatter.....	131.20
11	H. C. Wyche.....	338.00
13	H. C. Wyche.....	64.00
18	Tudor & Williams... 2.45	
19	R. L. Jackson.....	81.00
14	J. C. Pence.....	60.46
1044.36		

Report of O. E. Patterson Treasurer of Haskell, Texas, of receipts and expenditures, from July 2nd, 1907 to March 31st, 1908, inclusive.

GENERAL FUND	
To amount received	1434.97
By amount paid out	1226.63
By amount to balance	208.34
1434.97 1434.97	
To balance on hand	208.34
STREET AND ALLEY FUND	
To amount received during	1068.99
By amount paid out	1044.36
By amount to balance	24.63
1068.99 1068.99	
To balance on hand	24.63

We the undersigned, constituting "The Finance Committee" of the City of Haskell, Texas, hereby certify that we have examined and checked the report and books of the "City Treasurer" and find them to be correct as herein reported.

[SIGNED]

J. F. VERNON
J. L. ROBERTSON
T. E. MATTHEWS

Finance Committee of the City of Haskell, Texas.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of April, A. D. 1908.

SEAL

A. J. SMITH, Mayor of the City of Haskell.

COMMISSIONERS' COURT.

Ordering and Approving New Roads the Chief Business of the Term.

The county commissioners' court was in regular session nearly all of last week. Aside from the work of examining and passing upon the reports of county officers most of the time was devoted to passing upon petitions for new roads and reports of juries of view. The following orders were entered:

Petition of E. D. Jefferson et al for public road granted and R. A. Bradley, Tyler Ewell, Ed Foote, Walter Brown and D. S. Ketron appointed jury to view out same and report to next term of court.

Tyler Ewell et al petition for road granted and Herman Stein and Walter Brown each allowed \$15 damages.

A. Prescher et al petition for road granted and Fred Spitzer, F. Frankie, W. E. Dobbins, E. B. Schneider appointed jury of view.

T. W. Langston et al petition for road granted. All right of way donated except on land of Mrs. Yarbrough, who was paid for one acre of land. No jury of view necessary.

W. J. Douglass et al petition for road refused.

Order allowing resignation of A. W. Dunn, J. P. of Pre. No. 4 to be withdrawn.

Paul Joslett et al petition for road granted and Paul Joslett, Fred Monke, W. M. Myers, Chas. Esterake and Jno. Sykora appointed jury of view.

Report of C. C. Dockery et al jury of view approved and road ordered opened.

Report of J. R. Dinsmore et al jury of view, same order as above.

Report of Lee Pierson et al jury of view, same order.

Report of W. T. Foard et al jury of view approved, same order.

Report of W. T. York et al jury of view, approved and road ordered opened in 30 days.

Report of C. K. Johnson treasurer of Carney Independent school district, approved.

Claim of J. D. Roberts for damage by road allowed.

Quarterly report of County Treasurer A. G. Jones approved.

Wyatt Lancaster, overseer on Jim Price and Roberts school house road, ordered to open same at once from the school house to south of Throckmorton road.

Petition of S. J. Redwine et al for road granted and W. E. Cox, Wm. Whitford, J. J. Deaver, L. D. Teaff and U. Z. Irwin appointed jury of view.

The court on its own motion ordered opened a second class, 30-ft road from S. W. cor of Sec. 21, Blk. 1 of H. & T. C. Ry Co's. surveys east to Haskell and Stamford road.

T. A. Williams et al petition for road granted and J. E. Ballew allowed \$40, W. F. Hawes \$40, W. P. Whitman \$88, W. C. Eastland \$30 and E. A. Hutchnens \$20 damages, to be paid when road is opened.

Clay Kimbrough et al petition for road passed because notice was not posted as required by law.

W. H. Hurd et al petition for road granted and Geo. Turnbow, J. H. Cunningham, H. Kreager, Sam Foster and W. H. Hurd appointed a jury of view.

R. B. Croker et al petition for school district continued to perfect waivers.

Applications of Eliza J. Ashley and J. O. Russell for recommen-



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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 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.

dation for Confederate pensions granted.

W. W. Edge et al, a jury of view, having disagreed on report, were discharged and W. L. Ray, J. W. Moore, A. A. Miller, Jno. W. Smith and W. C. Allen appointed in their stead.

Petition of T. N. Young et al for order for bond issue in school district No. 13 granted.

Petition of A. Prescher et al for school tax granted.

On its own motion the court ordered a road 40 feet wide opened from N. W. corner of J. T. Miller's place east to intersect Haskell and Sayles school house road, owners of land allowed \$15 per acre for land taken.

Report of W. H. Hurd et al jury of view rejected.

Report of H. Weinert et al jury of view approved.

Petition of T. A. Williams et al for road granted and N. J. Clough, W. A. Black, R. W. Herren, J. E. Hubbard and Paul John appointed jury of view.

Quarterly report of J. W. Meadors, county and district clerk, approved.

Quarterly report of G. W. Lamkin, J. P. Pre. No. 1, approved.

Quarterly report of Jno. F. Gilliland, J. P. Pre. No. 5, approved.

Quarterly report of M. E. Park, sheriff, approved.

HASKELL FREE PRESS

POOL & MARTIN, Publishers.

HASKELL, TEXAS

Every day has its new heroes, and a good many of them are firemen.

A professor of morals will be the first essential if the country ever has a correspondents' school.

The affair of the Congo seems to be one of those matters which will never be settled until it is settled right.

A British report says that America is facing a timber famine. At any rate, it is not a presidential timber famine.

The marriage of a prosperous medicine manufacturer to an actress gives assurance that there is hope for the American drama.

A Boston man is offering \$50 reward for a treatment that will cure a parrot of the habit of repeating profanity. Why not try the ax?

We have it on the word of an English scientist that the north pole, presumably having grown weary of waiting to be discovered, is coming south.

There being a considerable stretch of real estate intervening between France and Turkey it is perfectly safe for the two countries to make faces at each other.

Three Chicago men claim to have discovered a process by which human bodies can be turned into metal. There are plenty already who are evidently made of brass.

As regards the hen, furthermore, she has one conspicuous advantage over the cow. It is harder to counterfeit, adulterate or otherwise impair the usefulness of her output.

Several more desirable customs than the manufacture of dynamite bombs would be welcomed from anarchist immigrants. This is a habit which should be left with the old folks at home.

A southern paper remarks that no one ever saw a "merry widower." This is a very gallant, if not very accurate, statement, for naturally, gallantly speaking, why should there ever be a merry widower?

The price of coal is decreasing, says a news report. However, this was to be expected. Now the really wonderful thing would happen if the price of coal were to decrease in the autumn instead of the glad springtime.

A problem in all countries is to keep the young men in the small towns. The remedies suggested are many, but we fail to find the most practical and the most potent. The way to keep the young men anywhere is to keep the pretty girls in the same neighborhood.

It is said that Madame Adeline Patti plans another farewell tour of America. America is pretty well accustomed to this sort of thing, but the former diva should remember that even over here we have a little saying about the turning of the patient wheel.

It is very discouraging. Here is the Lady's Pictorial of London saying: "We do not want all women to be smart and energetic; she who can be merely gentle and charming and gracious—and shall we not even say helpless?—maintains the ideal of womanhood for man to worship." More mollycoddles.

Here is another indication that business is improving at home and abroad. The commercial papers announce that room on vessels has been engaged for shipping 150,000 tons of pig iron from Alabama furnaces to Mediterranean ports. This means not only that there is a growing demand in the old world, but that in supplying the requirements American producers will have a fair market and will be enabled to give employment to more American labor.

Commenting on the danger of trusting women to run motor cars, an Ohio mayor suggests that the only proper machine for a woman to run is the sewing machine. We should be more willing to confine our women to these useful contrivances if they had electric motors to drive them. It would be well if some of the power spent in driving automobiles were applied to necessary domestic engines, which in many homes overtax the feet that push the treadles.

After all, John Hay did write "The Breadwinners," a novel that had considerable vogue 25 years ago. It was published anonymously before the author had made a reputation as one of the greatest secretaries of state the country ever had, and the secret was kept, although suspected, until at last, states the Youth's Companion, Mrs. Hay has consented that the credit which belonged to her dead husband shall be given to him in an account of the book in "A Manual of American Literature," recently published.

It may be questioned whether in modern annals a queerer accident ever happened than that which caused the death of a man on a road near Philadelphia. He was picking dandelions growing under a wall along the road when a passing trolley car jumped the track as it neared him, and running squarely at him, crushed him to death against the wall. Not the most vivid imagination could conceive of such a tragedy, and yet, according to the laws of probability, says the Baltimore American, it will not happen again for two or three generations.

UNDER THE RED FLAG

RIOTERS IN CLEVELAND TRY TO USE DYNAMITE.

CARS STONED; WIRES CUT

Police Kept Busy Charging Mobs. Explosives Followed by Menace Riot.

Cleveland, Ohio, May 18.—Two cars were attacked with dynamite last night by strike sympathizers and dynamite and other explosives were found on tracks in other parts of the city.

All night the policemen were busy charging mobs, which stoned street cars, attacked the crews and cut trolley wires. Police fired on a mob that was tearing down wires, but no one was injured.

Dynamite was used under a Broadway car early in the evening. The explosion knocked the front trucks off and started a riot in which the police were forced to battle with a mob of 1000 people.

PROSPERITY BOOSTERS BUSY.

Practical Work of Business Men Begins to Tell.

St. Louis, Mo., May 18.—The plan of the National Prosperity Association to have the manufacturers and corporations re-employ men laid off during the recent stringency has borne fruit, and the Ferguson-McKinney Dry Goods Company of St. Louis announces that 1000 employees who have been idle since the business depression will be recalled to work June 1.

The Haragidine-McKittrick Dry Goods Company, the Simmons Hardware Company and several other large St. Louis Manufacturers and jobbers have approved of the plan and given assurance of their co-operation. In two or three days the officers of the association will be in a position to announce the different corporations that will put their idle employees back to work.

NINE KNOWN DEAD OVER SCORE INJURED.

New Orleans, La., May 18.—A tornado swept across the Central Northern portion of Louisiana late Saturday afternoon, leaving death and devastation in its path. The town of Chataignier, on the Texas and Pacific Railroad, 150 miles northwest of New Orleans, was practically wiped from the map. Chataignier had about one hundred inhabitants.

Plaquemine Ridge, a village in St. Landry Parish, was ruined. Three persons were killed and a dozen or more injured. Every house in that neighborhood was demolished by the tornado. A child of E. Richards was killed and an unknown negro man and a child were crushed to death. Relief supplies are being sent to Plaquemine Ridge from Opelousas.

Crossing the Mississippi River a few miles below St. Francisville, the tornado devastated one of the finest timber sections of the State, destroyed many farm houses and fences and injured a number of people.

J. W. Alexander, lineman for the Western Union Telegraph Company at Sherman, was seriously hurt Friday afternoon, falling thirty feet and striking on his head and shoulders. He will recover, though seriously hurt.

Prosperity Wave Rides High.

St. Louis, Mo.: Prosperity again reigns in St. Louis, as shown by the receipts of the charity carnival at Forest Park Highlands Sunday. The receipts were \$42,000, as compared with \$37,000 last year. Once each year the prominent society people of St. Louis have charge of the Highlands and the concessions, running the booths and amusements themselves, and the proceeds are donated to five charities.

Father and Son Fight Fatal Duel.

Milledgeville, Ga.: Daniel Brewer had been rebuked by his son, Willard Brewer, Friday night, for some words the father used to the young man's mother. Saturday morning he stationed himself in the road which he expected his son to pass. When the son came up the father levelled his gun and the younger man drew his revolver. He received in his breast the entire load from his father's gun, and died in a few moments.

Taft Pleased With Panama.

Charleston, S. C.: W. H. Taft, Secretary of War, arrived in Charleston Sunday on board the cruiser Prairie, and after spending a few hours in the city, during which time he was met and greeted by a number of officials and friends, left for Washington. Mr. Taft grew enthusiastic when telling of the excellent progress being made and comparing the situation to that which greeted him on the occasion of his first visit to Panama in 1904.

SEIGE OF EXTRAVAGANCE.

Billion-Dollar Congress Will Soon Adjourn.

Washington, May 19.—The Sixtieth Congress will earn the title of a billion-dollar Congress at its first session before adjournment is taken at the end of this week. It is estimated that the total appropriations will reach the enormous sum of \$1,026,000,000, which is said to be the largest ever appropriated at a single session.

The appropriations are for the fiscal year which begins July 1, 1908. It is too early to give anything like an accurate estimate of the revenues of the Government during that period of twelve months, but members of the appropriation committees think they will run somewhere between \$850,000,000 and \$900,000,000. This would mean a deficit of between \$125,000,000 to \$175,000,000.

Chairman Tawney of the House of Representatives Committee warned the House the deficit would reach about \$150,000,000, and if this prediction is fulfilled the surplus now in the treasury will be wiped out June 30, 1909, inasmuch as at the end of this fiscal year there will be a deficit of between \$60,000,000 and \$65,000,000.

PRACTICALLY COMPLETE RETURNS OF PRIMARY

Officially reported returns up to Saturday from 171 counties give

Bailey	113,085
Johnson	91,732

Unofficially reported official figures for eighteen counties are

Bailey	13,040
Johnson	11,293

Total vote, 189 counties:

Bailey	126,125
Johnson	103,125
Bailey's majority	23,000

Twenty-nine counties held no primary elections. No reports of any kind have been received from the remaining sixteen organized counties. Eight of these held no primary elections in 1906. Of the remaining eight Senator Bailey's name was not upon the ballot in three in 1906.

Giving Senator Bailey all the votes he received in 1906 in the sixteen unreported counties, his majority would still be less than 24,000. It is probable that his majority in the report of the complete returns will not exceed 23,500, and it is not likely to be that much.

Anti-Gross Receipts Decision.

Washington, May 19.—The Supreme Court Monday decided adversely to the State the case of the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio Railway vs. the State of Texas. The case involved the constitutionality of the Texas law imposing a tax upon the gross receipts of railway corporations, and was argued before the Supreme Court several weeks ago by Attorney General Davidson and Assistant Attorney General Hawkins, representing the State, and H. M. Garwood of Houston, counsel for the railroad.

By agreement of counsel the decision of the case decided yesterday is to control in a number of cases of the same character now on the docket in Texas courts. These cases will be dismissed.

The decision was by a divided court, four of the nine Justices concurring in a dissenting opinion prepared by Justice Harlan.

Bud Greer, a negro working on T. C. Westbrook's plantation near Lorena, was found at daylight Sunday just inside the barn with his throat cut. He lived only a few minutes, and never recovered consciousness.

Geography Contract Canceled.

Austin: The half-finished contract for geographies awarded the American Book Company at the recent adoption was abrogated by the State Textbook Board Monday on the grounds that the contractors are irrefutably involved in an illegal monopoly. By sustaining each suggestion advanced in the Attorney General's report, the available substitutes for the geographies were reduced to those of one concern, Ginn & Company.

Two Small Brothers Drown.

Comanche: The two sons of Jay Cunningham—Marshall, aged nine, and Brewster, aged seven, drowned Monday afternoon in a creek near their home, two miles from Newburg. The younger boy fell into the creek, and in an effort to save his brother Marshall also lost his life. The screams of the children attracted their mother, but when their little bodies were recovered all efforts to revive them failed.

Long Trolley Line Nearly Complete.

Dallas: The finishing touches are being put to the Sherman-Dallas Interurban Railroad. A force of 200 men is pushing the surfacing of the roadbed and another force of 150 men is stringing the trolley wires. The power house at McKinney is completed and the machinery in place. The cars have been shipped from the factory, and are due to arrive in a few days. The cars will begin to run June 15.

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.

The Texas Company has made a cut of three cents per barrel in the price of crude oil.

The State Medical Association is in session at Corpus Christi this week with a large attendance.

News comes from Mexico that the rebellious Yaqui Indians of the State of Sonora have sued for peace.

An order passed by the Commissioners' Court on Thursday prohibits the painting or tacking of signs on the bridges of Tom Green County.

For the first time in its history the Chicago police department has recently engaged Chinese detectives to aid in preserving peace in Chinatown.

Nineteen mills making ducking, including four in Texas, have closed down for the summer. More than 25,000 operatives will be out for several months.

Work of tearing down the old court house preparatory to building a \$40,000 temple of justice has begun at Stanton, and work on the new rock jail is progressing.

A bill appropriating \$50,000 for a memorial for Abraham Lincoln on the site of the Lincoln birthplace in Kentucky passed the Senate Friday on Motion of Mr. Wetmore.

The trolley wires for the Sherman-Dallas Interurban are being placed in position, having reached McKinney from Sherman. It is expected that a car will be run as early as June 20.

Three thousand cape jasmine blossoms were sent to the Washington convention of Governors from Alvin, as a Texas offering to the noted assemblage. They were highly appreciated.

Representatives of more than 300 commercial bodies from all parts of the country at a meeting in Chicago adopted resolutions protesting against the proposed advance in railroad freight rates.

Armstead Martin, cashier of the Farmers' State Bank and Trust Company of Coleman, after shaving a few days since, applied carbolic acid to his face, mistaking it for bay rum, burning it severely.

Rear Admiral Thomas lowered his flag on the battleship Connecticut as commander in chief of the Atlantic fleet Saturday, and the flag of Rear Admiral Charles Sperry was run up at the main truck.

The final count of those who met death in Wednesday's tornado in Caddo and Bossier Parishes, La., will probably total fifty. The number known up to Saturday to have been killed, is forty-four.

A party of fifty-two Japanese, touring under the auspices of the Tokio Asahi Shimbun, who have been visiting America and Europe, are now in Paris, returning to Japan via the Trans-Siberian Railway.

A general convention of Baptists at Hot Springs, Ark., was attended by about 1500 delegates. Rev. R. C. Buckner, President of the Buckner Orphans' Home, near Dallas, was elected one of the Vice-Presidents.

The Texas Division, Travelers' Protective Association, left Dallas Sunday morning for Louisville, Ky., to attend the National meeting in that city.

A Lamar county farmer sold forty-one bales of cotton Friday at 10c. He received \$25 per bale less for it than he could have sold it for last fall.

United States Senator Julius Caesar Burrows of Michigan was elected Saturday by the subcommittee of the Republican National Committee to be temporary chairman of the National Convention.

An incipient blaze at Mexia destroyed a c. e. fe, at a loss of \$3000, and damaged the building to the extent of \$500, before the fire was under control.

A thief in Dallas coolly picked up a buzz fan a few nights since, cut the line and walked away before those who saw the act realized what he was up to.

The infant child of Mart Morgan, north of High, was given ten drops of laudanum through mistake for a tonic and came near dying before the mistake was discovered.

Frank Schneider shot and killed Fred Wetzel, Jr., in Gormantown a few days ago, claiming that Wetzel had insulted his wife.

Henry Farman, the English aeronaut, has challenged Wilbur Wright, the Ohio aeroplane artist, to a championship match, to take place in France, the prize to be \$5000.

Active preparations on a zinc and lead mine have been commenced at Ardmore, Okla. The ore has been tested and pronounced of high productivity.

Guthrie, Ok., is to have natural gas. It will be piped in from the main line fourteen miles away.

A fight against trading in cotton futures is about to be inaugurated in the Louisiana Legislature.

Under suspension of the rules the House passed the public building bill, carrying an appropriation of \$23,100,000 Friday.

The Denton school board let the contract Friday for additions to both the ward school buildings to W. F. Maxey for \$5000.

Dallas county tax assessor says the assessed valuation of the county will easily reach \$100,000,000, an increase of 10 per cent or more over last year.

On the return of Governor Pindall to Little Rock, Ark., he revoked the call of Acting Governor Hamiter for a special session of the Arkansas Legislature.

The Most Rev. Peter Bourgade, archbishop of Santa Fe, died in a hospital in Chicago Sunday. Heart failure was given as the cause. He was 67 years old.

The oil storage warehouse at Deming, N. M., burned Wednesday, and J. C. Clark, the manager, was fatally burned, dying later. No one seems to know how the fire started.

The Reserve Trust Company of Cleveland, Ohio, has made an assignment to the Superior Savings and Trust Company. The liabilities of the concern are about \$2,700,000.

A decision handed down by the highest judicial tribune of Prussia forbidding the incineration of human bodies has given the German advocates of cremation a rude shock.

The sessions of the third annual conference for education of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, was held in Atlanta, Ga., beginning Tuesday, May 19, and continuing three days.

Indictments for the acceptance of rebates on cotton shipments were returned Saturday against the Illinois Central and the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley Railroads by a Federal Grand Jury.

It is announced at Shawnee, Ok., that on June 1 the Rock Island shops, which have been closed for three weeks, will resume on the open shop plan and that they will be run to their full capacity.

Representative Stephens has introduced a bill to authorize the publication of a dictionary of the mineral and ores of the United States, which shall describe the various mineral ores found in this country.

At Mobile, Deputy Sheriff Nugent Sunday afternoon arrested the eighteen ball players and Umpire Pfenniger, who participated in the game between Montgomery and Mobile on charges of playing ball on Sunday.

At Manto, N. C., the Wright brothers have broken all records with their aeroplane. They recently made a flight of more than two miles, turning three corners and having the machine under good control all the time.

The five-story plant of the Sendelbach Wheel Company, East St. Louis, was burned Saturday causing a loss of \$110,000. The plant was in full operation when the fire started, and some of the employees had a narrow escape.

With Saturday night's performance at Ford's opera house, Baltimore, Keller, the magician, closed his professional career. Mr. Keller is 59 years of age and has been before the public for over forty years. He has made three tours of the world professionally.

The blowing up of a Trinity and Brazos Valley freight engine at Virginia Point Thursday resulted in injury to four of the train crew, only one of whom, however, was seriously hurt.

E. H. Harriman, managing a mileage of railway that would encircle the globe, says that "Confidence that the courts will protect the rights and interests of persons, has been inspired by some recent decisions," and therefore business people can again go ahead.

Senator Roddie of Ada and Senator Morris of Hooker, Ok., engaged in a fist fight in the Oklahoma Senate chamber over a debate upon a bill. The encounter was without special damage.

The prison doors at Pittsburg, Pa., closed Saturday on former Cashier William Montgomery of the Allegheny National bank, who is charged with embezzling \$594,000 of the institution's funds. President William Stewart says Montgomery's shortage exceeds \$1,300,000.

Former Congressman J. H. Rowell died Friday at Bloomington, Ill., at the age of 75 years. He was a captain in the Civil War.

Chinese rebels to the number of 10,000 are again causing trouble in the Celestial Empire. They are under military instructors trained in Japan. Pekin is alarmed owing to their display of discipline and the possession of artillery by the rebels, who, differing from their predecessors in this respect, are not molesting the population or foreigners.

NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

Texas State Fair Association has just let contract for a grand main entrance gate to cost \$5,000.

The postoffice at Elmo was entered by burglars Friday night and a small amount of money and stamps stolen.

W. L. Brannan was appointed receiver of the Palestine Waterworks company Saturday morning by District Judge B. H. Gardner.

One of the most costly and efficient well-boring rigs ever erected in Texas will soon be ready to begin drilling for oil in a lease 7 miles west of Sherman in a few days.

Jim Brewer, who conducted several years ago a large grocery business in Tyler, died suddenly Saturday morning at his home in the Sand Flat neighborhood.

Insurance Commissioner Love, it is said, is to wage a decided fight against all life insurance companies operating in Texas that are writing "special" or "board" contracts of insurance.

Hon. S. P. Skinner denounces as a fake the report sent out from Waco that he was to enter the contest for attorney general. He said he had no idea of making the race for that office.

The lineman of the Citizens Telephone company, Paris, walked out at noon Saturday on account of failure to agree with the management as to the terms of the new employment contract.

Owing to an accident to the ropes, Chit Baldwin, a balloonist, fell from his balloon Sunday, a distance of some 60 feet. He fell on freshly dug ground or else it is likely he would have been killed.

During a very hard rain and wind storm about 3 o'clock Sunday morning, the Methodist Church at Mertans was struck by lightning and destroyed by fire. Valuation from \$1000 to \$5000. Insurance \$1200.

The program for the annual encampment of the B. Y. P. U. and Sunday-school convention of Northeast Texas to be held at Dellwood Park at Red Springs, Mt. Pleasant, is being published and distributed over the State.

Marshall Burney, for twenty years journal clerk of the House of Representatives, was found dead in his bed in Amherst, Atascosa County, Saturday morning. Heart disease was the cause. He is survived by one son, who is connected with a South American railroad.

Students of the State University held an enthusiastic meeting Saturday to devise plans to send Fred R. Knell, the University sprinter, with a record of 9 4-5 seconds on the 100-yard dash and 22 1-5 on the 220-yard dash, to the Philadelphia preliminaries for the London Olympic meet.

Frederick Gorham, for twenty-five years an engineer in the employ of the Southern Pacific, was found dying Sunday morning in the bathroom at his home in San Antonio, as a result of a gunshot wound. By his side was found a shotgun, the contents of which had taken effect in his stomach.

While seated in front of John Brooks' butcher shop in Fort Worth Sunday morning, Joseph L. Bentley was struck by lightning and his leg was broken above the knee. Brooks was also burned on his left leg by the current.

At an early hour Sunday morning Ben Caldwell, a member of the North Fort Worth Fire Department was shot and seriously wounded by an unidentified assailant while driving on Ellis avenue, in North Fort Worth.

A flow of gas was struck in the test well near Cash Saturday. The bit was reported to be in the oil-bearing sand. The gas appears to be about double the volume of that struck in the first well, which means a very strong current.

Ben Ambers, a negro living near Jones' Prairie, is now believed to be more than 102 years old. He declares that he was born in Virginia, January 25, 1806. He talks interestingly of the olden times.

J. A. Ward, a policeman who was shot Saturday night at Memphis, Tenn., by W. W. Brown, a neighbor, died Sunday. The two men became involved in a quarrel over some poultry and the encounter followed which resulted in Ward's death.

The eighty-year-old son of Boss Smith, residing eight miles west of Mount Pleasant, was instantly killed Thursday afternoon during the heavy rain by a bolt of lightning. The father was also stunned.

San Angelo has put the convicts to work on its streets.

The Commissioners' Court of Jones County in regular session ordered an election for June 30 to determine the issuance of bonds to the amount of \$100,000 for a court house.

CHIEF TOPICS AND SPEAKERS AT CONFERENCE FOR CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Natural
Resources
Conference

At the
White House
May 13, 14, 15

FROM THE
COMMONER
MR. BRYAN'S PAPER

AMERICA AND CHINA.

The president in his message urging the building of four warships attempts to use China as an argument in favor of a big navy plan. He says: "It would be equally foolish to rely upon each of them possessing at all times and under all circumstances and provocations an altruistic regard for the rights of others. Those who hold this view are blind indeed to all that has gone on before their eyes in the world at large. They are blind to what has happened in China, in Turkey, in the Spanish possessions, in Central and South Africa during the last dozen years.

"For centuries China has cultivated the very spirit which our peace-at-any-price men wish this country to adopt. For centuries China has refused to provide military forces and has treated the career of the soldier as inferior in honor and regard to the career of the merchant or the man of letters. There never has been so large an empire which for so long a time has so resolutely proceeded on the theory of doing away with what is called militarism.

"In external affairs the policy has resulted in various other nations now holding large portions of Chinese territory, while there is a very acute fear in China lest the empire, because of its defenselessness, be exposed to absolute dismemberment, and its well-wishers are able to help it only in a small measure, because no nation can help any other unless that other can help itself."

It is strange that the president should attempt to make the absurd mistake of attributing China's position to an overweening desire for peace. It is not China's lack of military enthusiasm that has caused her misfortunes. It is the fact that she has been the abode of ignorance and selfishness. A few of her people have had a little learning, and have run the government on the graft system while the masses have dwelt in ignorance, and have been taught the philosophy in which each one looks out for himself and the devil for the hindmost. But to compare the United States with China, Turkey, Spain and South Africa is to ignore essential differences. Our nation is the most advanced nation in the world; its people are intelligent and well-informed. Our nation has abundant resources and our people have an enormous productive power. We have an ocean on either side to protect us against attack, and no nation is foolish enough to invite a conflict. If there is any nation that does not need to impoverish its people with preparations for imaginary war, our nation is that nation. Not only do we need less protection than any other nation, but our ideals forbid that we should enter into the mad race for physical power that has led other nations to decay.

The president and other naval enthusiasts advocate a gigantic navy on the ground that it promotes peace. The theory is antagonistic to all that religion teaches or that history proves. The very spirit that leads us to rely upon a big navy will lead us to use it. Some regard the parade of our ships around the world as an exhibition of our strength. It is to be hoped that this is not the real reason for the trip that they are taking. If this was the reason, why should not other nations parade their ships, and how long would these parades continue before they would result in a conflict? Men who load themselves down with weapons and go out to exhibit their preparedness for any encounter are very apt to find an excuse for shooting. Our nation is to be congratulated upon the fact that the president, with all his influence, was not able to force his four battle-ships plan through either house, and the Democrats can find gratification in the fact that their position on this subject is so sound that they could secure large Republican support for it.

Strange that some of those administration legal lights never thought of getting out an injunction against Castro.

THE RAILROAD VOTE.

There are increasing indications that some of the railroad managers are going to attempt to organize the railroad vote for the purpose of throwing it against any party which attempts railroad regulation. The railroad vote can be divided into two classes. One class contains officials—those who collect and handle the money which the railroads earn—these are the men who have made railroad management odious by their contempt for the public and by their indifference to the interests of the stockholders. In the second class we find those who are employed by the railroad engineers, firemen, conductors, brakemen, trainmen, station agents, freight handlers, etc. It is customary for the managers to appeal to the employees about election time, when an attempt is being made to elect some official friendly to the management. The usual method of coercion is to threaten a reduction of wages if the railroad is not able to select the officials.

The employees, however—and they constitute the real voting strength of the railroad element—ought to know by this time that the man selected by the managers is seldom friendly to the employees. In all matters affecting

labor, the man who obligates himself to the railroad management is opposed to anything that the employees ask for, although the employees may have been coerced into supporting him when a candidate.

If the railroad employees want a law making the railroads liable for injuries to employees, they must find their support from the farmers, laborers in the cities and the public generally, for the men elected by the railroad influence are almost as a unit against such legislation.

And so if the railroad employees want relief from government, by injunction, they cannot hope for it from the men elected by railroad influence. They ought by this time to understand that their real friends are the people who want justice to all, and who believe that the railroad employees are entitled to the relief which they seek.

When an effort was being made to secure a reduction in passenger rates, the railroad managers threatened the employees with wage reduction, if the rate bills passed, but reduced passenger rates increase traffic, and increased traffic makes a demand for more trainmen, and the employees will find it to their advantage to favor that which helps the public.

So with the proposition to prevent watered stock. If a part of the railroad earnings must go to pay dividends on stock which represents no investment in money, a smaller sum is left for legitimate expenses. The railroad employees have interest in common with the general public, and they need not fear that reductions will be carried to a point where honest railroading will be injured. The employees will be better off when railroad managers are compelled to earn their money by attending to the business of the road and not by exploiting the public through the stock market.

The Democratic party stands for justice to railroad employees, to the stockholders and to the public, whose patronage enables the railroads to exist. No legitimate business will be injured by Democratic success, and the railroad employees will stand in their own light if they allow themselves to be deceived by the men who have been manipulating the railroads for the building up of enormous fortunes. All that the public demands is that the railroads shall recognize their quasi-public character and discharge the important duties that devolve upon them.

"Admiral Evans also thinks the armor belt too low," says the Philadelphia Telegraph. The admiral refers to the position, not to the price.

DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE.

Mr. James T. Lloyd, Democratic member of congress from Missouri, has been made chairman of the Democratic congressional committee, and has in charge the campaign that is being prosecuted for the election of a Democratic congress. The work of this committee is scarcely second to the work of the national committee, for without a house of representatives, a Democratic administration is helpless. With a Democratic house of representatives the president is able to bring pressure to bear upon the senate, for the president and the house working together can present issues to the senate and focus public opinion upon remedial legislation.

Mr. Lloyd's committee is a Democratic committee—a committee composed of real Democrats who are wedded to Democratic ideas, and who are making a fight for Democratic reforms. That being true, the committee has no disposition to collect funds from predatory corporations, and could not secure such contributions if it desired to. It must make its fight upon the contributions sent in by the Democrats who are interested in Democratic success. The Commoner, therefore, appeals to its readers to send contributions to Mr. Lloyd for the carrying on of this work. The Democratic fight ought to be made by the rank and file of the party; a small sacrifice on the part of each Democrat would enable the committee to supply the necessary literature and get the party records before the public.

When Mr. Tener of Pennsylvania takes a seat in congress he will find his former experience as a baseball pitcher handy. He will have to perform some mighty curves in order to get anything worth while past Speaker Cannon.

SECRETARY TAFT MISQUOTED.

Secretary Taft claims that he has been misquoted. He did not say that "we must look forward to a gigantic controversy between labor and capital," he was quoted as saying this, but as expressing the hope that it would be peaceably settled. What he said was: "That unless laborers united into organizations, the laborer would stand no chance in that inevitable controversy that we always hope will be peaceful, but that must exist—that inevitable controversy as to how labor and capital shall share the joint product of both."

The Commoner is glad to aid in setting Mr. Taft right before the public, for it can appreciate the annoyance of incorrect reports of speeches.

The war department has issued an order that no officer shall be chosen who stands less than five feet five inches in height. Time was when such an order would have barred a couple of men who made big military reputations—Napoleon Bonaparte and Phil Sheridan.

"Look at the doughnut, not at the hole," is the latest Republican slogan. All right; but the doughnut would be bigger if the hole were smaller.



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Ingenious news Photograph, showing at a glance a most remarkable, epoch-making conference, the first of its kind in the history of civilization. In the center, Mr. Roosevelt. In the inner circle about him, beginning at the top and passing from left to right, are Speaker Cannon, Forestry Chief Pinchot, Postmaster General Meyer, John Hays Hammond, president of the American Institute of Mining Engineers; Senator La Follette, Senator Knox and Secretary Root. In the outer circle, beginning at the top, John Mitchell, Seth Low, Samuel Gompers, Secretary Cortelyou, Gov. Folk of Missouri, Justice Moody of the supreme court, Gov. Haskell of Oklahoma, Gov. Curry of New Mexico, William J. Bryan, Andrew Carnegie, James Wilson, secretary of agriculture; Gov. Hughes and Gov. Johnson of Minnesota. On the margin are pictured mining, cattle raising, railroading, farming, river transportation, manufacturing, building material and forestry.

When the conference of governors of states and men distinguished in political life of the nation met at the White House in Washington, May 13-14-15, in behalf of the preservation of the country's natural resources, the strangest and, perhaps, the most important convention ever held in the capitol was inaugurated.

Among those invited to attend by President Roosevelt himself were members of the cabinet, judges of the supreme court of the United States, governors of all the states in the union, including the executives of Alaska and Hawaii, and Andrew Carnegie, William Jennings Bryan, James J. Hill, the railroad magnate; John Mitchell, the labor leader, and prominent scientists and business men from all over the country.

Political differences, opposing issues of national questions and business rivalry were laid aside to discuss the ways and means of conserving the natural resources of the country.

President Roosevelt opened the convention with an exposition of the why and wherefore of his views of the matter. While on his trip down the Mississippi river last fall, with the governors of 16 states, under the auspices of the Inland Waterways association, he is said to have obtained the nucleus of the idea which resulted in the present conference.

It will be remembered that President Roosevelt on that trip expressed the opinion that the question of the conservation of the natural resources of the country was of more importance than the regulation of the rate question.

A number of papers, prepared at the president's request, were read and discussed.

James J. Hill, the railroad king, spoke on "Relations Between Rail and Water Transportation." His paper dealt with such subjects as the growth of rail transportation, its distribution and extent of systems, cost and present value, traffic and earning capacity, estimated cost of the cultivation of trees for railroad ties and their preservation, increasing railroads to meet prospective requirements, etc. Regarding water transportation Mr. Hill dealt with its cost, present facilities, relation to rail transportation, pressing lines of development, regulation by business interests or by law, influence of cheapened transportation on production, etc.

Under the general head of land resources, Prof. T. C. Chamberlain of the University of Chicago, in a paper on "Soil," dealt with its origin, natural products, progressive enrichment, effects of cultivation, erosion, and general estimates of loss to the country through needlessly reduced

fertility and decreased production.

The question of "Forests" was expounded by R. A. Long, president of the Long-Bell Lumber company of Kansas City, Mo., who explained their early use and destruction, present extent and value, rate of consumption, estimated duration, prospective prices of forest products, the influence of forests on soil, ground, water and springs, rivers, floods and low water, waterway improvement and navigation, and the relation between forest control and crop production, commerce and population.

Dr. George W. Kober of Washington in a paper on "Sanitation" spoke of the development of systems of community water supply, relation between purity and clarity of water for community supply, mortality and disease due to impure water, and the action required in the interests of the public health.

"Reclamation," by Hon. George C. Pardee of Oakland, Cal., dealt with the extent of arid and semi-arid regions, development and extent of irrigation, growth of concepts concerning water-rights and water as a basis of property, influence of irrigation on production, commerce, population, consumption of water and other resources, reclamation and stream control by drainage, and extent of swamp and overflow lands and increased value available by drainage, protection and flood prevention.

Judge Joseph H. Carey of Cheyenne, Wyo., in a paper on "Land Laws," dealt with their early policy of disposal, transfer under state charters, special grants, etc., development, effect of creation of national parks, forests and other reserves, advantages of making this a nation of homes and home owners, state and federal action required, etc.

Hon. H. A. Jastro, president of the National Live Stock association of Bakersfield, Cal., delivered a paper on "Grazing and Stock Raising." He treated on the development of the industries in the United States, their extent and value, grazing in the arid and semi-arid regions, methods and results, comparative cost and profit and relation between stock raising and commerce.

Under the general head of mineral resources, Dr. I. C. White, state geologist of West Virginia, in speaking of mineral fuels, dealt with the coal fields of the United States, methods of mining, losses in mining, estimated duration of present methods of mining and use, improvements in mining and use, connection with coal production and transportation, relation between coal and other resources, petroleum and rock gas and possible substitutes for fuel.

Andrew Carnegie spoke on "Ores

and Related Minerals," their production in the United States, price, estimates of available quantity, duration of supply, processes of mining and quarrying and probable consequences of exhaustion of standard minerals.

On May 12 President Roosevelt entertained at dinner the cabinet, the members of the supreme court, the governors and the other more distinguished guests. Gifford Pinchot, chief of the forestry division, gave a reception to the governors and the Inland Waterways association on May 14. On the afternoon of May 15 Mrs. Roosevelt gave a garden party on the White House grounds for all the delegates to the convention. At the various hotels in Washington arrangements were made for smaller receptions and dinners.

All of the governors who accompanied President Roosevelt on his Mississippi river trip last fall were present. They are: Comer of Alabama, Broward of Florida, Deneen of Illinois, Cummins of Iowa, Hock of Kansas, Blanchard of Louisiana, Folk of Missouri, Shelton of Nebraska, Cury of New Mexico, Burke of North Dakota, Frantz of Oklahoma, Chamberlain of Oregon, Davidson of Wisconsin and Brooks of Wyoming.

That the conference attracted world-wide interest was evidenced by the fact that many of the foreign diplomats at Washington followed the affairs of the convention closely.

Those who were in close touch with the conference arrangements declare they have never known another movement which has been greeted with such quick and enthusiastic popular approval.

An indication of public opinion was afforded by the great mass of correspondence which poured into the White House on this subject. Organizations of all sorts expressed realization of the greatness of the enterprise.

That conservation of national resources is nothing about which the political parties wish to raise an issue is indicated by the attitude of the Democratic leaders. Both William J. Bryan and Gov. John A. Johnson, leading candidates for the Democratic presidential nomination, wrote to President Roosevelt expressing their approval. Equally emphatic indorsement, it is understood, has been voiced by Grover Cleveland. Mr. Bryan's letter to the president read: "I greatly appreciate your kind invitation and shall take pleasure in attending the conference on the conservation of natural resources. I am, I beg to assure you, in hearty sympathy with the purpose of the conference, and I have no doubt that the discussion of the subject will be very helpful to us all."

Gov. Johnson's letter read: "To as-

sure you that I heartily agree with your conclusion that the conservation of the natural resources of our country presents a problem demanding the best thought of our times is superfluous. We have been exploiting our resources with no thought of the morrow, and the claims of posterity upon us should certainly be taken into account."

In his letter of invitation to the conference President Roosevelt said: "There is no other question now before the nation of equal gravity with the question of conservation of our natural resources, and it is the plain duty of us who, for the moment, are responsible, to take inventory of the natural resources which have been handed down to us, to forecast the needs of the future, and so handle the great sources of our prosperity as not to destroy in advance all hope of the prosperity of our descendants."

The need for such a conference is illustrated by a few facts vouched for by investigators. Government experts say that between 300,000,000 and 400,000,000 tons of coal were lost in 1906 by penny wise and pound foolish methods, and that the total so wasted since the beginning of the industry is 50,000,000,000 tons. Millions upon millions of horsepower are going to waste through failure properly to utilize and conserve the waterpower of the United States.

The construction of reservoirs at the sources of streams in which flood waters may be stored to be released at periods of low water is expected not only to keep the waters at a continuous level, but prevent the destruction of property by floods, maintain constant levels for navigation and to develop water power.

At the present rate of timber consumption it is estimated that the price of every kind of lumber will be about double the present price only one decade from to-day.

It is said that the total iron ore available in the world to-day is 25,000,000,000 tons, of which three-fifths is in the United States. Should the rate of consumption continue to increase in the United States in the same ratio that it has in the course of the last score of years, at the end of two centuries there would be no more ore to be mined.

In the United States there is an area of 175,000,000 acres of land susceptible to reclamation by irrigation, and 500,000,000 acres of western public range which may be made available for increased production of meat by restricting the grazing and reseeding portions which have been destroyed by unrestricted grazing. With this area made available once more, it is estimated that its meat producing capacity will be nearly doubled.

MAY FESTIVAL OF EXTRA VALUES

Big Special Sales During the Rest of May as an Incentive for Active Buying. Your Money's Worth or Your Money Back.

That is the proposition we make to every customer of this store and our word is as good as our bond. Do you know of a safer investment or of a safer place to trade? We have repeatedly stated that we do not consider a transaction closed until you are satisfied and we mean every word of it. We want you to tell us when anything goes wrong with the goods we buy here.

There are some specially good values offered during this sale. Carefully go over the entire list. It'll pay.

Sale Begins Saturday, May 23rd,
Ends Saturday, May 30th.

C. D. GRISSOM & SON

All Reduced Prices are
SPOT CASH

The Store With the Goods

FOR SATURDAY, MAY 23 ONLY

36 in. Blk Tafeta, the famous Oil Boiled quality worth \$1.25, for only .98c
\$24.00 Axminster Art Squares, beautiful floral and oriental designs, sizes 9x12 for only \$19.85
\$1.00 and 75c Belts for 49c
Calico per yd .4c

Bargains in Solid Oak Dressers

These Dressers are all Solid Oak. Have good size French Bevel Mirrors and are nicely polished. They are good values at the regular price, but to move them quick we offer.

\$22.50 Dressers for.....	\$15.95	\$30.00 Dressers for.....	\$24.65
18.50 " " " " " "	12.95	27.50 " " " " " "	23.45
15.00 " " " " " "	10.95		
11.00 " " " " " "	7.15		
10.00 " " " " " "	6.85		

Wash Stands are also greatly Reduced.

The First Deep Cut in High Class EMBROIDERY

This is your first opportunity to buy such high class Embroidery at such reasonable prices. The patterns and qualities are the prettiest Haskell has ever seen. You have all heard the praises of this beautiful line of Swiss Embroidery and all the rest of May you will have a chance to buy it at the price you usually pay for a much inferior quality and pattern.
Beautiful pattern for Shirt Waist fronts, 36 in. wide, regular \$3.00 quality at..... \$2 15
\$2.25 All Over Embroidery for only 1.60
.1.75 " " " " " " 1.25
.50 Fine Swiss Edge and Band35
.40 " " " " " "28
.35 " " " " " "27 1/2
A great reduction on all other Swiss Embroidery trimming.

FOR WEDNESDAY ONLY

42 in. Blk. Voile, good quality, regular price \$1.00 per yard..... .83
.85 Quality Crepe Voile Blk. only, 42 in. wide...69c
\$1.25 Panama, Blk, Grey and Champagne, 44 inches wide95c
60c Quality49c
A beautiful lot of Net Waist ranging in price from \$5.00 to \$7.50, choice, only \$3.95

FOR MONDAY ONLY

15c Lonsdale Domestic only.....9c
Umbrellas, worth 1.75 to 2.50, choice at.....1.35
15c Red Seal Gingham, no patterns reserved at.....12c
\$4.50 Axminster Rugs size 36x72 in. beautiful patterns, choice for 3.35

FOLDING BED VALUES

These beds are first quality goods. They are northern made, highly polished and of select timber. The values we offer will appeal to all who need a folding bed.

\$50.00 Quality	\$39.00
30.00 " " " " " "	23.65
25.00 " " " " " "	19.95

Iron Bed Bargains that will Make you take Note.

We are the only people in Haskell county who handle Iron Beds in whole car lots. We are therefore in position to offer prices which can not be duplicated.

\$15.00 Iron Beds.....	\$11.75	\$3.50 Iron Beds.....	\$2.85
12.50 " " " " " "	9.15		
8.75 " " " " " "	5.95		
5.75 " " " " " "	4.15		
7.00 " " " " " "	5.05		
6.00 " " " " " "	4.65		

EXTRA SPRING VALUES

\$3.50 Springs 126 Coil made of heavy tempered steel wire for 2.35
\$2.50 Springs.....\$1.65

TABLE LINEN

This assortment of Linen is the best we have ever had. The patterns are beautiful and the quality exceptionally good.
\$1.25 Quality.....95c
1.05 " " " " " ".....83c
.75 " " " " " ".....59c
.50 " " " " " ".....39c
.40 " " " " " ".....29c
Napkins are also under priced during this sale.

FOR THURSDAY ONLY

6 Spls Clarks thread..25c
10-20c Val Lace..... 4c
5 to 15c Torchone Lace 3c
1.50 to 2.00 Lawn Waists \$1.35
\$3.50 Portier..... 2.85
2.50 " " " " " " 1.95
50c Vests 3 for... 1.00

FOR TUESDAY ONLY

18.50 One piece silk dress for 13.45
35c Mull, large assortment of patterns 23c
25c Lawn 18c
45c Quality 10-4 genuine Peperal sheeting . . . 29c
32c Quality 9-4 genuine Peperal sheeting . . . 27c

Side Boards & Buffetts

These goods are all northern made, highly polished, and are brim full of good value.

\$35.00 Side Boards	\$26.65
25.00 " " " " " "	19.85
30.00 Buffetts	23.65
22.50 " " " " " "	16.75
16.50 " " " " " "	12.15

BED ROOM SUITS

\$35.00 All Oak Suits	\$27.35
30.00 " " " " " "	24.95
25.00 " " " " " "	19.85

ROCKERS

\$15.00 Leather Rockers, made of Select Oak, highly polished and with guaranteed Spring \$10.95
12.50 Leather Rockers 8.95
8.50 Heavy Oak 6.95
7.50 " " " " " " 5.85

Other Rockers Greatly Reduced.

MATTRESSES

7.50 Fine Felt Mattresses weigh 45 lbs fancy tick 5.95
5.00 Cotton Mattress 4.10
3.50 Combination Mattress . . . 2.85

CARPETS & MATTINGS

All Wool Carpeting in pleasing patterns, 36 in. wide, worth 85c per yd, only 69c
40c Quality 39c
35c " " " " " " 29c

FOR FRIDAY ONLY

1.00 and 1.25 Kid Gloves . . 55c
10c Unbleached Domestic . . 7c
12c Bleached " " " " . . 8c
50c White Waist goods . . . 39c
35c " " " " " " . . . 29c
3.50c Lace Curtain 2.75
25c Hose, 3 pair 50c

There are many other extra values which we will offer during the rest of May which we can not list here. It will be time well spent to attend this great sale, money saved is money made, and we have certainly offered some money savers. The special Day Sales will interest you and it will pay to notice the items on sale very carefully.

C. D. GRISSOM & SON

THE STORE WITH THE GOODS

Notice to the Public.

The partnership business of the firm of Irby & Stephens, a firm composed of J. E. Irby, Sr., and R. D. C. Stephens, has by mutual consent been dissolved, Mr. Irby retiring from the business, and Mr. Stephens assuming all the responsibilities and liabilities of the firm.
18-4t J. E. Irby,
R. D. C. Stephens.

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

Money to Loan.

We have \$10,000 to loan on "Gilt-Edge" real estate security. Inspection at once and loans closed promptly. See us at State Bank.

WEST TEXAS DEVELOPMENT COMPANY.

No waste in ice if you use our refrigerators, Cason, Cox & Co.

NOTICE

The pastures of the following named parties are posted. Fishing, hunting or trespassing of any character is forbidden under penalty of the law.

THE REYNOLDS CATTLE CO.
20 4t M. B. Gentry.
Throckmorton Co., May 11, '08.

POSTED

All persons are hereby forbidden to hunt, fish or hand wood or otherwise trespass on the premises known as the Sherrick pasture, now owned by me.
MRS A. J. NOLAE.

Mr. J. V. Stovall of Hico visited Mr. J. N. McFattea here this week.

Mr. C. D. Long of the Haskell Lumber Co. Returned Monday from a business trip to Dallas.

Prof. T. C. Williams, our county superintendent of public instruction, attended the commencement exercises of the Monday High School Tuesday and delivered an address.

Mr. Bob Price of Dallas, special insurance adjuster, was in our city Monday.

Mr. V. J. Joslett was in the city Tuesday and being asked about crops said that he had 42 acres of oats which he would begin harvesting the latter part of this week. He said that he had raised two crops of oats here previous to this crop and that this crop was the best one of the three. He says that he prepares his oat land by turning the stubble land under as soon as the grain is cut off and sows and harrows in the next crop in September.

President T. L. Montgomery of the Farmers' National Bank has gone north for the summer. He will visit his sons in Oklahoma and Chicago.

Mr. Fred Sanders of Rule was over Tuesday and said he expected to be a citizen of Haskell again ere long.

Mr. William Meyer of the north side was in the city Tuesday and reported all crops fine out his way.

Bargains at the Racket Store all the coming week.

SPRING SEASON, 1908 LACE COAT SETTS

will be almost indispensable for Spring Costumes.

ROUND COLLARS

Set in as yokes, or worn outside, will be very much used.

See our New Sample Showing of these Styles.

Alexander Mercantile Company.

THE BIG STORE

TERRELL

DRUGGIST, JEWELER
AND OPTICIAN

Buy and Sell for Cash Only
TERRELL'S DRUG STORE

Locals and Personals.

Get roast beef at Elmer Wall's.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Boone are back from a trip to Snyder.

To RENT—two residences in Haskell, see Sanders & Wilson.

Juicy hot roast beef at Wall's market.

Rev. and Mrs. L. O. Cunningham are visiting in young county.

Miss Sibyl Collins is visiting in Munday.

Mr. Geo. Peterson of Weinert was in the city Monday.

NEW MARKET

I have opened a meat market on the north side of the square, where I will serve the best fresh meats to be obtained. I will appreciate a share of your patronage.

ELMER WALL

FOR SALE—one extra good horse. Will sell on time. Apply to C. D. Long at Haskell Lumber Co. (1tp)

That hot roast beef at Elmer Wall's is delicious and it saves cooking.

Master Lennis and Chester Jones were over from Rule this week. Lennis went on to Abilene.

Mr. I. B. Maddox sold a load of fresh vegetables in Haskell Monday, which were grown on his place near town. Among other things was some very fine lettuce with compact heads eight inches in diameter.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Post have returned from a trip to Galveston, Austin and other south Texas points.

They keep it cool and sweet, one of those refrigerators at Cason, Cox & Co's.

Dorothy Dainty matched sets of Hair Ribbons and Sashes now in stock. C. D. Grissom & Son.

Mrs. A. G. Gebhard was called Tuesday to the bedside of her mother at Cleburn.

Dr. and Mrs. T. A. Pinkerton and Mrs. J. F. Pinkerton with Dr. W. A. Kimbrough left Tuesday for Fort Worth, where Mrs. T. A. Pinkerton will submit to an operation for appendicitis.

Dr Kimbrough returned Thursday and stated that Mrs Pinkerton was operated on Wednesday and that she stood the ordeal well

I have put in a rubber tire machine and can repair your rubber tires at my shop.

J. B. Lamkin.

See the laundry furnace I built for Mr. M. S. Shook and have one like it. Chas. Jansky.

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

Mr. Will Wells, the furniture man, made a business trip to Dallas the early part of the week.

Mr. J. T. Strickland of Waco, who was at one time a citizen of this place, was here Tuesday.

Mrs. Hendricks of Rule took the train here Tuesday for Fort Worth to undergo a surgical operation.

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.

The saving in your ice bill for one season will pay for one of those refrigerators at Cason, Cox & Co's.

Mrs. Clark Oldham has been visiting Mrs. G. W. Andrus the past week.

Miss Louise Goodlett is visiting in Munday.

Let me build you a brick furnace for your wash kettle. Save fuel and save your stove. Chas. Jansky.

Mr. Hardy Grissom made a business trip to Stamford Tuesday.

Mr. M. W. Johnson returned Tuesday night from a trip to Raton, New Mexico.

Mr. J. A. Stephens left Thursday night on a visit to his parents at Bartlett. He was accompanied by his little niece, Enid Eastland.

To the members of the Haskell County Democratic Executive Committee:

You are requested to meet at Haskell on the 30th day of May, 1908 for the purpose of arranging for the Primary Election to be held in Haskell County on the 25th day of July 1908, and to make arrangement to pay the expense of the same, and to transact other business that may come before the Committee.

I urge all members of the Committee to be present at this meeting, same to be called at 2 P. M. This May 21, 1908.

H. S. Wilson,

Chairman Haskell Co. Democratic Executive Committee.

A protracted meeting has been going on at the Methodist church all the week. The attendance has been large and the sermons forceful and interesting, and, while results can not yet be recorded, it is evident that a good work is in progress. The meeting will continue during next week.

Mrs. Aaron Wood of Stamford visited Mrs. Henry Johnson the early part of the week.

Save your stove and fuel by having me build you a laundry flue. Chas. Jansky.

The best line of buggy whips, lap robes and horse blankets at Ever's shop, Haskell.

Mr. Joe Taylor and Miss Eunice McKelvain, Mr. Jim McDonald and Miss Erna Dean and Mr. Lou Ellis and Miss Louise Goodlett drove out to Paint creek Thursday and spent a pleasant day fishing and hunting.

Mr. J. E. Patton of the northeast part of the county was in town yesterday, being on his way home from a trip to New Mexico and the El Paso and Alpine country. He did not fall in love with the sections of the state visited by him.

About thirty members of the Woodmen camp at Rule met with the Haskell camp Tuesday night and had an exemplification of the work of the order.

Mrs. Susan Jane Black died on Saturday, May 16, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. S. Williams of this place. Her funeral services were conducted on the following Sunday by Rev. L. O. Cunningham of the Presbyterian church and she was laid to rest in the Haskell cemetery.

Mrs. Black was born in Cumberland, N. C. Dec. 13, 1828, and was therefore nearly eighty years of age. She had resided here for many years with her daughter who, with a son, W. A. Black, survives her.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson. (1f)

This is the time of year when cyclones come. Let us write you a cyclone policy on your house. Sanders & Wilson.

You can't afford to miss the reduction sale at the Racket Store. Begins Monday and continues through Saturday.

Mr. F. M. Todd left Wednesday on a business trip to Wichita Falls.

Mrs. W. T. Renfro of the north side was in the city shopping Tuesday.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from Sanders & Wilson. (1f)

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

100 Bushels of Harvell cotton seed for sale. Phone 42.

T. A. Williams, Haskell.

There are some things at the Racket Store you need—get them cheap during the reduction sale.

Misses Geneva and Vivian McWhirter and Pearl Taft and Messrs. Blackburn and Presnell of Carney attended the meeting here Sunday and visited friends.

Mrs. Joe Leeper of Farmersville is visiting Mrs. D. Scott and Mrs. J. F. Jones. She and Mrs. Jones are cousins.

No danger of fire if you have a brick furnace for your laundry. See Chas. Jansky.

FOR TRADE—Good mesquite wood for a good milch cow. G. B. Powell.

Mrs. W. T. Andrews of Stamford called on friends here Tuesday on her return home from a visit to Throckmorton.

Mr. Chas. Killingsworth has returned home from Tyler, where he took a business course in Tyler Commercial College.

A SPECIAL SALE OF LUMBER FOR 30 DAYS

I want to build 140 feet more shed room and have 100,000 feet of 2x8, 2x10, 2x12, one whole car of 1x6 heart fencing and a big lot of Boxing and Ship-Lap on the ground where I want to build, and to move it off and put it back in shed would be a considerable expense, so I have decided to move it by cutting prices.

Come and get prices and see the lumber. Don't take "Old Hear Say's" word about it as he rarely ever tells the truth about anything. If you want to build or buy a house see us as we have three cottages and two business houses for sale, will give you liberal terms. Money paid out on rents never come back so buy you a home and put your money into it.

S. G. DEAN, Mgr.

EUPION

oil has been in use in Texas 52 years and never caused an explosion.

Do not let any dealer impose any cheaper grade on you. If you do you are endangering your home by fire. Ask for EUPION OIL and see that you get EUPION.

For any further information phone No. 144 or 147

Mr. Harris of Higginbotham-Harris Co. of Rule was in our city Tuesday.

Mr. J. F. Armstrong of the Sagerton community was in the city the early part of the week.

As towns grow in size and importance new enterprises develop to meet the needs of the people. The latest acquisition for Haskell is a Commercial College and School of Shorthand and Typewriting, which will be put in operation next Monday by Prof. W. D. Knight. Prof. Knight's school will occupy the old Masonic hall, over the FREE PRESS office. This school will afford a great convenience for many who do not desire to go away from home for such education. We are informed that Prof. Knight has had extensive experience in commercial educational work.

FARMERS' EDUCATIONAL AND CO-OPERATIVE UNION OF AMERICA

Get busy and prove that "In union there is strength."

Put ourselves in shape where we can demand minimum indeed and in truth.

It is not too late yet to plant some of the late growing flowers around your home.

It is ever onward and upward, and anyone who gets in the way must be sent to the rear.

Never vote against any sort of a school tax, but be sure that you get the money's worth when it is spent.

In these days of cheap reading matter the farmer who is shy on reading is standing mightily in his own light.

And up to now the day of cheap alcohol fuel is not here, but it is coming no less surely than it is coming slowly.

If no man could be a director until he put up a bond which is satisfactory to the depositors who are not stockholders?

About once a week on an average each state of the Union furnishes a victim to the coal oil can. Kindly your fire with something else.

Make it a rule to know who are your children's teachers, and try to find out what sort of impression these teachers leave upon your children.

To be in a real good shape to hold your cotton next fall, plant a good deal of all the other things that you are going to want, so you will have but little use for money.

When you are holding your cotton for 15 cents, you are not speculating in futures, for if Mr. Buyer wants it at that price today he can have it, if not, it is at his service tomorrow.

All Union men carry a good pocket knife all the time, and when they see a bunch of suckers growing out to eat up the substance of their fruit trees they get busy slaying those suckers.

Co-operation in buying seed, planting crops, cultivating, harvesting and marketing them, is the sort of co-operation that our name means, and if we live up to the name there is no sort of doubt about our being successful in growing in strength and numbers.

The farmer should keep clear of all entangling alliances with other Unions. They have nothing to offer him; they are his customer and he is theirs, and they are all the time looking to some method to obtain cheaply what he has, while they use all means to sell to him high what they have.

The man who allows the manure around his place to wash away is not a fool; a fool is one who knows no better; this man is a combination knave and fool for throwing away his substance—not his either—for at best he only holds it in trust. He is worse than anything that language now provides for. Soak him!

Panics will not always be with us. If it had not been for the made-to-order panic, we certainly would have succeeded in establishing our minimum price long ago. As it was, we kept the price from going down, down, down, so low that we have a nightmare when we contemplate it. We have saved the day and saved to the South millions of dollars.

CO-OPERATION DOES THE WORK.

Co-Operator:

Did you ever see a well drilled, well disciplined military company go through the drill? The movements were all in perfect rhythm and cadence and the men moved like machines, every one doing the same thing exactly at the same time. On another part of the field a company of raw recruits were being taught the elementary principles of the drill. They were as awkward as hogs on ice. Every man was acting for himself, no harmony, no concert of movement. This is exactly the way it is in any organization. There must be unity of action, harmony of sentiment, oneness of purpose, otherwise confusion and failure result. The Farmers' Union, when it becomes like the well drilled company, each member understanding the principles of the Order; each member keeping in mind the obligations he has solemnly taken, and each one living strictly and entirely up to these principles and obligations, we will win everything we undertake to do. Can we not do this?

The spirit of co-operation is of the utmost importance to the farmers, because all the other followings are against him. He it is who must make the food and the raw material for all the others, and when they buy cheaply from him, they profit by the low price, and when they sell dearly to him they profit by the high price.

The panic in the business world is not over yet. Farmers are the ones to profit by this panic. It's a scarcity of money. Raise a living at home, and you won't need much money.

A "NIGGER" CROP.

"The way we raise cotton, it is a negro's crop. Grains are the white man's crop. The trouble is that the farmer is 'nigger' to the merchant, and the merchant is 'nigger' to the financier. The merchant who does the general advancing business is not a benefactor. The farmer who expects to prosper must shorten his account with his own farm. It has been my observation that the diversifier sets a good table. He is the man who stands for levying taxes for schools, good roads and other things that tend to make a desirable community. If you are looking for a run-down farm, don't go to the diversifier. Don't go to him for low priced land. If you are looking for a man that is 'agin' the government and society in general, a knocker and kicker, don't go to the diversified farmer. It is in him that the hope of the future lies, the hope of the resurrection of a new earth rising out of the old. Through him the mortgage-ridden, soil-depleted, cheerless home will pass away and we shall have fields well kept, good barns, happy homes, healthy children, good schools, good roads and every tie to the rest of the world. It will give broad men, in sympathy with their fellows, and happy women, cheerful with their kind. We shall have that which is purest, best and most ennobling in life."—Extract from speech by Prof. W. R. Dodson, at Dallas, Texas, before the Cotton Convention.

UNCLE JOSH'S PHILOSOPHY.

Topeka Farmers' Union: I have noticed that the farmer always sells his stuff at the other fellow's price, and he gets so in the habit of doing business that way that when he buys he lets the other man make the price too. What is wrong with the farmer, anyway?

How in the world would the bulls and bears get along if the farmer did not furnish the chips for them to gamble with?

If the farmers could hide their wheat, corn, live stock and land from the assessors, like the Vanderbilts do their money, what in the world would the Government do for oil to grease its wheels.

It sometimes pays to drive three miles around to get to a place that is only one mile away.

When bankers get into trouble they issue clearing house certificates and force the people to take them in place of money. When the farmers run out of cash they go to the poor house.

Six horses pulling together can move a mighty big load, but a hundred horses pulling in different directions can't budge a feather.

When the railroads fixed up the long and short haul scheme for the benefit of the rich shippers in the big cities they surely didn't know that the farmers would ever want to get their stuff to market.

The oil trust has made a good deal of fuss about that \$29,000,000 fine, but if the time ever comes to pay it the Standard will just give the crank a twist and squeeze that and millions more out of the people that have to burn oil, and it won't worry the oil trust a bit.

The farmers are good fellows so long as they take the dose the city chaps mix for them without making a face, but when they fuss about it and say that it tastes bad they are called cranks and anarchists.

UNION GUIDE GEMS.

The farmers' organizations are what the farmers make them; whatever their failures or successes, the members are responsible for it.

Are you a true soldier or are you a deserter? Have you stood up to the mark for 15-cent cotton, or did you sell for less when you did not have it to do?

Use great caution in your dealings with politicians. There is no need to promise them anything. If they promise you anything, write it down in your little book and tell them to sign it.

It is all right for men to talk about being for the people, but the idea of thinking we must vote for a man for judge just because he is against the railroads is the wrong spirit.

If a man comes up and slaps you in the face, and you fail to resent the insult, and then he knocks you down and stamps you under his foot, it is justice, because you did not resent the first onslaught. You deserved it. If you want justice, you get it; and whatever you get is justice.

Justice is a thing that most all people get. Generally when we get the worst of a deal, or when a law has been imposed upon us, it is because we have slept over our rights and left these matters to other people when we should have been studying them. If we allow it to be done, it's justice, no matter how it hurts.

Instead of sittin' down and sittin', we should be gittin' up and gittin'! There is much work to be done. He who professes to be a Farmers' Union man and will not work at it, makes only a noise and a profession. He is only the shadow without the substance.

You must cut down the acreage of cotton if you would have the price increased. Speculators may do and say all they want to, but they cannot keep down for any great length of time the price of a short crop, neither can they keep up for any great length of time the price of a surplus crop.

Do not neglect the "farmers' institute" features of your meetings. This is of more real benefit than anything else for the furtherance of our real interests.

WAYS TO ADVERTISE

REACHING THE PEOPLE WITH TRUTH FORCIBLY EXPRESSED.

UTILITY OF HOME NEWSPAPERS

They Bring the Best Results to the Merchant When Rightly Used—Some Merit in Circulars and Letters.

There is advertising, and there is advertising. One kind is the almost money-wasted kind, and the other of the class that counts. The merchant who has always placed little faith in advertising is the one who has never tried it in the right way. He is the one who places a little card in the paper, merely stating that he is a dealer in such and such goods. He is the one who is always grumbling about business, about the ways of other merchants, and the trade that goes away from the town.

It is all in how the advertisement is built, both in wording and typographically, and what kind of circulating medium it is placed in. When advertising, it is essential that the advertiser say something, and say that something right to the point. It is a pretty good idea to give prices. Prices always appeal to the purchasing public. It matters not whether they are a little lower or a little higher than somebody else's prices, to give prices and preach cheapness, quality and bargains, will attract attention. There never was any money made by the small merchant in the rural city or town that went out by lying. Lies may do for the mail-order houses, the department store and the cheap-John in the big city, but never do well for the merchant in the small town.

The merchant who builds up a reputation for honest goods, a square deal and prices that are right, will win. He gets the people to think that he is "on the square," that he is selling goods at honest profits, and keeps his advertisement ever before them and finds that it pays. The merchant who wins must be up-to-date. He must know about new goods, understand the latest ideas in his particular line, and be quick to put all good ideas into practice.

Circulars are only good as "flyers." They are not supposed to take the place of regular newspaper advertising. They are short-lived, and good only for the advertising of a kind that can be classed as "transitory." Watch the successful merchant, and you will find that he rarely uses circulars, unless for placing in packages of goods. This is a thing that should not be overlooked. It is a good idea to have a lot of circulars advertising new goods, specialties, etc., and place one in every package. This is a good way to make announcement of the arrival, or the expected arrival, of new stocks. But circular advertising should be only supplementary to the regular newspaper advertising. D. M. CARR.

DOCTORED COFFEES.

Adulterated Goods Sent Out by Concerns Who Do Mail Order Business.

Farmers who have had their curiosity aroused over the pure food matter might profit by doing a little thinking. Some of the big mail order houses are the greatest distributors of adulterated goods. In fact, the claim is made that the greatest amount of adulterated coffees and the like are sold through agents and the mail order concerns. Lately the state chemist of a western state has been devoting attention to the goods put out by mail-order concerns. He secured samples of coffee and had them examined by one of the leading chemists. It was found that one of the chief "blends" which was sold for 35 cents a pound was composed of 55 per cent. broken coffee, 14 per cent. chicory and 31 per cent. roasted oats. Oats are worth about 40 cents a bushel. It requires not much figuring to show how much the customers of this blend of coffee are paying for their "oats." There are dozens of concerns in the country who do a large business through women agents who work for premiums, and who give cheap premiums with the goods sold. There is barely a single one of these concerns who handles pure goods. There are efforts being made now to have the postal authorities forbid these concerns the use of the United States mails.

Neat Trick Played by Robbers.

It was certainly reprehensible, though one cannot but smile at the bold trick played by half a dozen men in Paris a few evenings ago. These individuals rang at the door of a private house, and before the servant could announce their arrival the leader had donned an official scarf and introduced himself as a police commissioner, seized about \$1,000 which was lying on the table as stakes in a game of poker, and saying he would not trouble the host and his guests to call at the office that evening, but would be obliged if they would do so the next morning, politely departed. When the players dutifully called at the office the next day their visit created visible surprise, and they learned to their disgust that this police commissioner of the night before had tricked them, and their \$1,000 had been carried off by a gang of thieves. So much for playing poker and having an uneasy conscience!

Foreigners Attending German Schools. There were 3,869 foreigners at the German universities during the winter semester, constituting 8.3 per cent. of the total attendance.

ADDING LIFE TO THE TOWN.

Summer Festivities Can Be Made Helpful as Well as Entertaining.

The village store is a department store on a small scale. By it the wants of the community are supplied. Sometimes, perhaps, there is not trade enough for a store to confine itself to only one line. While the farmer's wife and daughters are looking about with a view of buying their dresses, his sons and perhaps himself like to look at the clothing, the hats and all kinds of wear for men. The up-to-date storekeeper should see that the wants of all are attended to. He shouldn't give a prospective customer the opportunity to go elsewhere. He should find out what the customer wants, and if it is not in stock, give him to understand that it can be gotten for him.

Every town of any size has some festivities during the summer season. If it is not customary to have such events in the place, the merchants should get busy, and if nothing else, get up a horse race, a display of some kind, and it will be found that the people will appreciate it.

One live business man in a town can do a lot single handed if he sets out in the right way. There is no law to prevent the starting of a contest among the farmers. Get up a list of prizes for the ones bringing in any and all kinds of products. Make the contest one that will attract attention. Let the clothier give a suit of clothes, the jeweler a watch, something useful, it matters not much what it may be, for the biggest watermelon, the greatest apple or any other thing grown by the farmer. Have unprejudiced judges. Have the deal a fair one. It will bring people to the place and this is what pleases the townspeople as well as the residents of the country.

OFFERING OF BONUSES.

Not All Enterprises Asking Assistance Prove to Be Good Things.

Many towns that are anxious to secure manufacturing enterprises that will afford employment for the people receive propositions from different concerns desirous to locate somewhere where the people will loosen the strings on their purses and put up a bonus. The bonus proposition is all right sometimes, but in the majority of cases it means just so much money lost. There are hundreds of towns in the country that have tried the bonus deals, and with regret to the ones who supplied the cash. It may be all right to subscribe for stock in a meritorious concern that is struggling for capital to carry on its operations. In fact it is always a good idea to have the stock of any manufacturing enterprise owned by the people of the town where the concern is located. But too often the bonus hunter, is simply a bonus hunter and his enterprise is not likely to amount to much.

Wane of the Get-Rich-Quickers.

The past ten years has apparently been the era of the get-rich-quick man. No sooner does one scheme play out than another takes its place. Thanks to the ever diligent postal inspectors, and an unrelenting government, the schemers are not so plentiful as a few years ago. For some years a number of supposed legitimate grain and stock brokers thrived in both eastern and western cities. These were active in soliciting through the mails and through local offices the business of small investors. The millions of money gained from the unsuspecting people will never be known.

Factors in Commerce.

Quite often the statement is made that the revolutionary methods of the present time mean the cutting out of the middleman. There seems, upon only a superficial examination and study, that this may be true. But when there is a most careful analysis made of conditions, it looks plain that there can be no system that man can devise that will take the place of the middleman. Methods may change, even the character and the work of the middleman, the distributor, may change, but there will always be a place for him. He would be a thing of the past long ago if a more economical means could be found for the general distribution of products. He is the handy man of commerce. He cannot be well relegated to the junk heap. He is here to stay, and will stay as long as the wheels of commerce and progress turn.

Dr. Fitz Will Retire from Harvard.

Dr. Reginald Heber Fitz, Hersey professor of theory and practice of physics at Harvard Medical school, has resigned his chair. Dr. Fitz will retire from the school on September 1, under the new age limit of 65 years. Dr. Fitz is regarded by many authorities as the most eminent physician in the United States since the departure of Dr. Oeler for England. He was born in 1843 and has been Hersey professor since 1892.

New Sahara Postal Service.

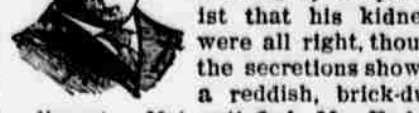
A new Sahara postal service across the Sahara has just been established. The messengers are mounted on camels.

FOUND THE CAUSE.

After Six Years of Misery and Wrong Treatment.

John A. Enders, of Robertson Avenue, Pen Argyl, Pa., suffered for six years with stinging pain in the back, violent headaches and dizzy spells, and was assured by a specialist that his kidneys were all right, though the secretions showed a reddish, brick-dust sediment. Not satisfied, Mr. Enders started using Doan's Kidney Pills. "The kidneys began to act more regularly," he says, "and in a short time I passed a few gravel stones. I felt better right away and since then have had no kidney trouble."

Sold by all dealers. 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.



HER PROTECTOR.



"He's a nurse! Who's that young chap that's always following you around? I he a beau of yours?" "Oh, no, sir. Dat's Jimmie Hawkshaw, de detective. I hires him to protect me from kidnapers an' things!"

SEVERE HEMORRHOIDS.

Sores, and Itching Eczema—Doctor Thought an Operation Necessary—Cuticura's Efficacy Proven.

"I am now 80 years old, and three years ago I was taken with an attack of piles (hemorrhoids), bleeding and protruding. The doctor said the only help for me was to go to a hospital and be operated on. I tried several remedies for months but did not get much help. During this time sores appeared which changed to a terrible itching eczema. Then I began to use Cuticura Soap, Ointment, and Pills, injecting a quantity of Cuticura Ointment with a Cuticura Suppository Syringe. It took a month of this treatment to get me in a fairly healthy state and then I treated myself once a day for three months and, after that, once or twice a week." The treatments I tried took a lot of money, and it is fortunate that I used Cuticura, J. H. Henderson, Hopkinton, N. Y., Apr. 26, 1907.

Wheels.

He was a great inventor. "The thing I am working at now, he began, stroking his thin beard with a thinner hand, "will be a boon to every family and will startle the whole world. In fact, it will put the alarm clock trust out of business. The idea is simply specially prepared tablets that help you get up in the morning. For instance, if you want to arise at five you take five tablets; if you want to get up at six take six tablets; and so on."

"But how will it affect the alarm clock trust?" "Why, these tablets will cause a ringing in the ears at exactly the hour desired."

"The little crowd could wait to hear no more and hurriedly disbanded."—Harper's Weekly.

His Quick Recovery.

"I was so glad," said Mrs. Oldcastle, "to see Dr. Goodleigh in the pulpit again last Sunday. He had such a time of it. Dear me, it must be perfectly dreadful to have one's appendix removed. I read it so that I don't know what I should do if I had to undergo an operation. They said, when the doctor went to the hospital, that he wouldn't be out again for a month or more."

"I know it," replied her hostess as she started the diamond-studded phonograph, "but I guess he recuperated a good deal faster than they expected."

FIT THE GROCER.

Wife Made the Suggestion.

A grocer has excellent opportunity to know the effects of special foods on his customers. A Cleveland grocer has a long list of customers that have been helped in health by leaving off coffee and using Postum Food Coffee.

He says, regarding his own experience: "Two years ago I had been drinking coffee, and must say that I was almost wrecked in my nerves."

"Particularly in the morning I was so irritable and upset that I could hardly wait until the coffee was served, and then I had no appetite for breakfast, and did not feel like attending to my store duties."

"One day my wife suggested that inasmuch as I was selling so much Postum there must be some merit in it and suggested that we try it. I took home a package and she prepared it according to directions. The result was a very happy one. My nervousness gradually disappeared, and today I am all right. I would advise everyone afflicted in any way with nervousness or stomach troubles, to leave off coffee and use Postum Food Coffee." "There's a Reason." Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

Actual Facts.

For upwards of fifteen years Hunt's Cure has been sold under a strict guarantee to cure any form of itching skin troubles known. No matter the name—less than one per cent. of the purchasers have requested their money back. Why? It simply does the work.

Immense Pig Iron Production.

In the last eight years the three great iron countries have produced 10,300,000 tons of pig iron, of which over half has come out of the United States.

Capudine Cures Indigestion Pains.

Sour stomach and heartburn no matter from what cause. Gives immediate relief. Prescribed by physicians because it is pure and effective. Trial bottle 10c. Regular size 25c and 50c at all druggists.

Physical culture is excellent, but don't neglect to exercise your discretion.—Pooch Richard, Jr.

HOUSE WORK



Thousands of American women in our homes are daily sacrificing their lives to duty.

In order to keep the home neat and pretty, the children well dressed and tidy, women overdo. A female weakness or displacement is often brought on and they suffer in silence, drifting along from bad to worse, knowing well that they ought to have help to overcome the pains and aches which daily make life a burden.

It is to these faithful women that

LYDIA E. PINKHAM'S VEGETABLE COMPOUND comes as a boon and a blessing, as it did to Mrs. F. Ellsworth, of Mayville, N. Y., and to Mrs. W. P. Boyd, of Beaver Falls, Pa., who say:

"I was not able to do my own work, owing to the female trouble from which I suffered. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound helped me wonderfully, and I am so well that I can do as big a day's work as I ever did. I wish every sick woman would try it."

FACTS FOR SICK WOMEN.

For thirty years Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, made from roots and herbs, has been the standard remedy for female ills, and has positively cured thousands of women who have been troubled with displacements, inflammation, ulceration, fibroid tumors, irregularities, periodic pains, backache, that bearing-down feeling, flatulency, indigestion, dizziness, or nervous prostration. Why don't you try it?

Mrs. Pinkham invites all sick women to write her for advice. She has guided thousands to health. Address, Lynn, Mass.

SICK HEADACHE

Positively cured by these Little Pills.

They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue, Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER, etc. **SMALL PILL. SMALL DOSE. SMALL PRICE.**

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

They regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS.

Genuine Must Bear Fac-Simile Signature.

Refuse Substitutes.

Paxtine TOILET ANTISEPTIC

Keeps the breath, teeth, mouth and body antiseptically clean and free from unhealthy germ-life and disagreeable odors, which water, soap and tooth preparations alone cannot do. A germicidal, disinfecting and deodorizing toilet requisite of exceptional excellence and economy. Invaluable for inflamed eyes, throat and nasal and uterine catarrh. At drug and toilet stores, 50 cents, or by mail postpaid.



Large Trial Sample.

WITH "HEALTH AND BEAUTY" BOOK SENT FREE. THE PAXTON TOILET CO., Boston, Mass.

Free Cure for Rheumatism, Bone Pain and Eczema.

Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) cures the worst cases of Rheumatism, bone pains, swollen muscles and joints, by purifying the blood. Thousands of cases cured by B. B. B. after all other treatments failed. Price \$1.00 per large bottle at drug stores, with complete directions for home treatment. Large sample free by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga.

PASSING OF THE SALOON

By REV. A. C. DIXON, D. D.,
Pastor of the Chicago Ave. (Moody's)
Church, Chicago.



I have studied conditions in the south, where the saloon is being swept away by a cyclone of ballots. The explanation is easy.

1. It is the revolt of knowledge against ignorance. The evil effects of alcohol have been taught in home, school, Sunday school and church till the new generation of voters are convinced that it ought to be banished from the earth "It is the growth of manhood," said a leader in the movement.

2. It is the revolt of home love against the home destroyer. The southern people love their homes and they have determined that the destroyer shall be destroyed.

Liberty Against Slavery.

3. It is the revolt of liberty lovers against the slavery of their fellows. "A Liberty League" pleads for the perpetuity of the saloon, which makes more slaves than any other institution on earth. Drunkards are slaves of appetite, and 100,000 of them are killed every year by their cruel master. Liberty to fill coffers by selling what enslaves manhood and womanhood is as un-American as it is un-Christian, and the people are waking up to the fact.

Humanity Against Barbarity.

4. It is the revolt of humanity against barbarity. The saloon is the mother and fosterer of lunacy, idiocy, pauperism and crime. It is not humane but rather barbarous to legalize and protect the cause of these great evils. The highest civilization seeks to prevent, so that cure shall not be needed. Church lovers against Church haters.

5. It is the revolt of Bible and church lovers against Bible and church haters. The champion blasphemer of Chicago, who evidently hates the Bible and the church, is also the champion of the saloon. Though he asserts that he does not believe in the historic existence of Jesus, he draws his little argument from his turning water into wine and informs us that Jesus commanded his followers to use intoxicating wine in the Lord's Supper. In this he shows his usual capacity for ignorance. He ought to know that the contents of the sacramental cup are nowhere called wine, but the "fruit of the vine," and alcohol is not a fruit of the vine, but the rotten fruit of a process of decomposition which takes place after the juice has been removed from the vine. He ought also to know that fermented wine was never used in the Passover feast, for every Jew was required to remove from his house all leaven in solids or liquids. He ought also to know that the unfermented juice of the grape was the beverage of kings as is seen by the fact that the butler pressed the grapes into Pharaoh's cup. (Gen. 40:11).

Business Sagacity Against Illusion.

6. It is the revolt of business sagacity against the illusion that the saloon helps business. Asheville, N. C., voted the saloon out last October, and the only business embarrassed, I am informed, is jailkeeping and chain-gang overseeing.

Patriotism Against Lawlessness.

7. It is the revolt of patriotism against lawlessness. The plea that "prohibition does not prohibit" is proving a boomerang to the liquor traffic, for the people are beginning to see that it really means "we will not obey law." The ruler of this country does not live in the White House or a governor's mansion, or sit in a wig and gown on the judge's bench. The sovereign that rules president, governor, judge and mayor is LAW, and a conspiracy against the enforcement of law is beginning to be seen in its true light as treason against the life of our American ruler. The state of Georgia, through its representatives in the legislature, drove the saloon out, and the city of Atlanta has not been discussing whether it will obey the law of the state. Atlanta has had enough of secession, and her patriotic citizens believe in state sovereignty over the city.

But let us remember that the great mission of Christ and the church is to the individual, and we would lead drunkard, moderate drinker, liquor seller and liquor voter to the "Lamb of God that taketh away the sin of the world." If all men would get right with God through Jesus Christ the great problems which perplex the public mind would soon be settled.

Drunkenness Ruins Homes.

Hon. Carroll D. Wright, while United States commissioner of labor, made the following assertion: "I have looked into a thousand homes of the working people of Europe; I do not know how many in this country. I have tried to find the best and the worst; and while, as I say, the worst evils, and as bad as under any system, or as bad as in any age, I have never had to look beyond the inmates to find the cause; and in every case, so far as my observation goes, drunkenness was at the bottom of the misery and not the industrial system or the industrial conditions surrounding the men and their families."

If an Advertisement Convinces You, Stay Convinced

When you read in this newspaper the advertisement of a manufacturer who has paid for the space used to convince you that it is to your interest to buy his goods, and you go to a dealer where such articles are usually handled for sale, do not let the dealer or any one of his clerks sell you something else which he claims is "just as good." If an advertisement convinced you, it was because of the element of truth which it contained.

INSIST ON GETTING WHAT YOU ASK FOR.

Forgiveness.

"The state!" sneered the convicted anarchist. "What do I care for the state?"

"The state," replied the court, "is not inclined to repay your harshness in kind. It will care for you for a year."—Philadelphia Ledger.

We Reiterate.

That for more than fifteen years Hunt's Cure has been working on the afflicted. Its mission is to cure skin troubles, particularly those of an itching character. Its success is not on account of advertising, but because it surely does the work. One box is guaranteed to cure any case.

A lazy man will not work himself so long as he can work others.

The General Demand

of the Well-Informed of the World has always been for a simple, pleasant and efficient liquid laxative remedy of known value; a laxative which physicians could sanction for family use because its component parts are known to them to be wholesome and truly beneficial in effect, acceptable to the system and gentle, yet prompt, in action.

In supplying that demand with its excellent combination of Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna, the California Fig Syrup Co. proceeds along ethical lines and relies on the merits of the laxative for its remarkable success.

That is one of many reasons why Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna is given the preference by the Well-Informed. To get its beneficial effects always buy the genuine—manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only, and for sale by all leading druggists. Price fifty cents per bottle.

DEFIANCE STARCH easiest to work with and starchy clothes nicest.

PUTNAM FADELESS DYES

Color more goods brighter and faster colors than any other dye. One 10c package colors all fibers. They dye in cold water better than any other dye. You can dye any garment without ripping apart. Write for free booklet—How to Dye, Bleach and Mix Colors. **MONROE DRUG CO., Quincy, Illinois.**

W. L. DOUGLAS SHOES

SHOES AT ALL PRICES, FOR EVERY MEMBER OF THE FAMILY. MEN, BOYS, WOMEN, MISSES AND CHILDREN.

W. L. Douglas makes and sells more men's \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$5.50 shoes than any other manufacturer in the world, because they hold their shape, fit better, wear longer, and are cheaper than any other shoes in the world to-day.

W. L. Douglas \$4 and \$5 Gilt Edge Shoes Cannot Be Equalled At Any Price

CAUTION: W. L. Douglas name and price is stamped on bottom. Take No Substitute. Sold by the shoe dealer everywhere. Shoes made from factory to toe part of the world. Illustrated Catalog free to any address. **W. L. DOUGLAS, Brockton, Mass.**

Dr. Biggers Huckleberry Cordial

Never fails to relieve at once. It is the favorite baby medicine of the best nursing and family doctors. Mothers everywhere stick to it and urge their friends to give it to their children for Colic, Dysentery, Cramps, Diarrhoea, Flux, Pouch-Stomach, and all Stomach and Bowel Affections. You can depend on it. Don't worry, but take Dr. Biggers Huckleberry Cordial. 5c and 10c bottles at drug stores, or by mail. Circulars free.

THE FAVOR DRUG CO., Atlanta, Ga. CURES STOMACH-ACHE IN TEN MINUTES

DROPSY NEW DISCOVERY: gives quick relief and cures worst cases. Book of testimonials and 30 days treatment. Send free on request in plain wrapper, by mail to **DR. H. J. GREEN'S SONS, Box R, ATLANTA, GA.**

WIDOWS' PENSIONS under NEW LAW obtained by **JOHN W. MORRIS, Washington, D. C.**

More Money for Wool Sell your wool where prices are highest. Ship direct and save middle profits. Small lots same price as large lots. Prices and full information from **MYERS-BOYD COMMISSION CO., St. Louis, Mo. W. N. U., DALLAS, NO. 21, 1908.**

When In Doubt

INTERMITTENTLY.



Tourist—What are you jumping up like that for, me good man?
Howling Dervish—Yeow! Dog of an unbeliever, I'm elevating my mind.

ANNUAL SALES OVER NINE MILLION.

Good, reliable quality is appreciated by the smoker. Over Nine Million (9,000,000) Lewis' Single Binder cigars sold annually. The kind of cigar smokers have been looking for, made of very rich, mellow tasting tobacco. It's the judgment of many smokers that Lewis' Single Binder straight 5c cigar equals in quality the best 10c cigar. There are many imitators of this celebrated brand. Don't let them fool you. There is no substitute.

Tell the dealer you wish to try a Lewis' Single Binder.

Lewis' Factory, Peoria, Ill., Originals-Tin Foil Smoker Package.

In the Free Vaccination Ward.

A Lithuanian woman was getting her fifth baby vaccinated the other day.

"I am glad," said the young surgeon, "that you recognize the importance of vaccination."

"Oh, yes," she said, "I often wonder," she added pensively, "what it's done for, though. It's to show you're a free citizen, the same as naturalization papers, ain't it?"

A Household Necessity.

I would almost as soon think of running my farm without implements as without Hunt's Lightning Oil. Of all the liniments I have ever used, for both man and beast, it is the quickest in action and richest in results. For burns and fresh cuts it is absolutely wonderful. I regard it as a household necessity. Yours truly, **S. HARRISON, Kosciusko, Miss.**

Woman Owner of Large Ranch.

Lady Ernestine Hunt, eldest daughter of the marquis of Allesbury, owns and operates a horse ranch at Calgary, Alberta, on a stretch of land nearly 40,000 acres in extent.

It Cures While You Walk.

Allen's Foot-Ease is a certain cure for hot, sweating, callous, and swollen, aching feet. Sold by all Druggists. Price 25c. Don't accept any substitute. Trial package FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

French Sculptor Complimented.

M. Rodin, the celebrated sculptor, has been asked to paint some frescoes for the new art gallery at the Luxembourg palace.

TO DRIVE OUT MALARIA AND BUILD UP THE SYSTEM.

Take the Old Standard GROVE'S LANTANOL CHILL TONIC. You know what you're taking. The formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing it is simply Quinine and Iron in a tasteful form, and the most effective form. For grown people and children. 50c.

The great question in life is the suffering we cause; and the utmost ingenuity of metaphysics cannot justify the man who has pierced the heart that loved him.—Constant.

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.

The butcher should be careful how he steaks his reputation.

Suffering Ladies, when in doubt as to the best medicine to take for their troubles, are invited to follow the example of thousands of their suffering sisters and take Cardui, the non-mineral, non-intoxicating, medicine. Weak ladies, especially, who need a remedy to adjust their bodily machinery, should take

Wine of Cardui

Mrs. St. Clair, of Eskdale, W. Va., writes: "Before taking Cardui, I had given up all hope of getting well. I had suffered for years and the doctor gave me no relief, so I took Cardui, and now I am about cured." Try Cardui.

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Write for Free 64-page Book for Women, giving symptoms, causes, home treatment and valuable hints on diet, exercises, etc. Sent free on request in plain wrapper, by mail prepaid. Ladies' Advisory Dept., The Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

Only Long Sleeves Now.

Mistress—Here is a nice dress for you, Martha.
Maid—Thank you, ma'am; but I can't take it, really.
Mistress—You foolish girl, of course you can take it. I insist.
Maid—No, really, I can't, ma'am. It's got them old-fashioned short sleeves.

"Makes it Go Way."

We simply can't do without it. We are not going to try. When Bobby stubs or cuts his toe, it's "Ma, where's the Lightning Oil?" When Lizzie burns her hand or arm, it's "Where's the Lightning Oil?" When little Dick's been playing with a bumble bee, it's "Where's the Lightning Oil?" The echo of all our afflictions is "Where's the Lightning Oil?" It's the balm that makes the pain go way. Sincerely yours, **P. CASSIDY, Montevallo, Ala.**

Before Ananias.

Adam had just finished naming the animals.

"Wait till I start on the fish," he exclaimed, glaucally.

Thus we learn he was preparing to tell some whoppers even before the fall.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by him.

WALDING, KINMAN & MARTIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 50 cents per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Rally Cries.

"So you couldn't hear much of what the speaker said?"

"No. His delivery was all right, but between the yells of 'louder' and 'order' he didn't have much chance."—Kansas City Times.

Important to Mothers.

Examine carefully every bottle of **CASTORIA** a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of **Dr. J. C. Watson** in Use For Over 30 Years. The Kind You Have Always Bought.

Some one has said that happiness is but a habit. If it is, here's hoping that you may acquire the habit.

Garfield Tea is of particular benefit to those subject to rheumatism and gout! It purifies the blood, cleanses the system and eradicates disease. Drink before retiring.

Not upon mind, but upon morals is our human welfare founded.—Roux.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.

For cures children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 10c a bottle.

Do your duty and let the other fellow do the explaining.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS

FOR ALL KIDNEY DISEASES

FOR RHEUMATISM, BRUISES, BURNS, DIABETES, BACKACHE

75c Guaranteed

Farmers—Attention!

Go to Southwest Texas and Look at the Famous Simmons Ranch.

10 to 640 Acres and Two Town Lots for \$210. Payable \$10 per Month Without Interest.

Read the Following:

El Reno, Okla., April 11, 1907.

Dr. C. F. Simmons, San Antonio, Texas:

Dear Sir—I have just returned from a visit to your lands in Atascosa County. I left El Reno on the 2nd of this month, for the purpose of looking over Southwest Texas, and especially your land, with a view of locating in Texas, if suited.

I spent two nights and a day on your ranch, and while there I was in the Musgrove, Brown, Turkey Creek, Muley cow and Frenchman pastures, and made as complete an examination of the property as I could within the limited time that I had to spare. I consider your land the best body of land that I have seen in Southwest Texas, and I have looked over considerable lands in Texas.

I was agreeably surprised at the quality of the soil on this ranch. It was much better than I expected to see, and I consider it a most favorable opportunity for a poor man to get a good home.

The soil is what I would call dark and red chocolate loam, with occasionally a little sand, which I consider a benefit in some respects, rather than a hindrance.

I have been engaged in farming and ranching about all my life, and have had much experience in raising alfalfa in Kansas and Oklahoma, in my mind there is no question but that the black land on your ranch is especially adapted to the successful growing of alfalfa, which I consider the most valuable farm crop that any farmer can raise. While in San Antonio, I saw fresh alfalfa hay on the wagon, and it was selling for \$17.00 per ton, loose hay. With the long seasons you have in Texas, and proper irrigation, you should get at least seven or eight cuttings of alfalfa a year off this land, and there ought to be a yield of at least a ton to the cutting.

I saw the large artesian well at the Headquarters ranch, and I must say it is the finest artesian well I ever saw, and is fully up to your representations in every respect.

If the land is underlaid with artesian water, as I am satisfied it is, I do not see why alfalfa and all other crops grown upon that land cannot be made a success.

I consider that you are giving the people a great opportunity to secure cheap homes.

As far as I have seen, I am perfectly free to say that you have represented your property fairly, and that the description you give of it in your literature is not overdrawn.

If you desire it, you have my permission to refer any persons inquiring about this land to me, and I will be very glad to answer any inquiries made of me with reference to it.

I appreciate the kindness extended to me while on the ranch.

With best wishes, I remain, Yours very truly, **C. E. HULIT.**

Write for literature and views of the Ranch, and name of nearest agent.

DR. C. F. SIMMONS,
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LASTS THE ENTIRE SEASON

It leads every fly for destroying flies, in heat, in cool, in wet, in dry, in damp, in shade, in sun, in wind, in calm, in all climates. Sold by all druggists and hardware stores. Price 10c per bottle. Trial package FREE.

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Send dealer's name and top from postcard of "20-Mule-Team" Borse, and 4 cents in stamps and we will mail illustrated booklet, giving many uses for "Borse in the Home, Farm and Dairy," also this lace design, 15 by 16 inches, on cloth ready for working. FREE.

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STAR has for years been the world's leading brand of plug chewing tobacco. Statistics show that about one-fifth of all the chewers of plug tobacco chew STAR.

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Star Plug has always been manufactured with one sole object in view—to give chewers the best chew of tobacco it is possible to produce, yet to sell this STAR chew at a moderate price.

More chewers are learning every day that STAR, considered from the standpoint of true merit, has no competitor, and is the one best chew.

For a long time there was a prejudice (which probably still exists) among certain chewers against the use of what is generally termed "Navy Tobacco," because of the impression that all tobacco of that character is too sweet.

It is true that some brands of tobacco, similar in appearance to STAR, are too sweet to please chewers accustomed to the use of tobacco manufactured in thin plugs, but we know that STAR is right in every way.

You use tobacco for the pleasure it gives—**increase your pleasure by chewing STAR!**

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We are not overstocked on binder twine and the supply may run short, so we suggest that you do not delay getting a supply.

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We have a full supply of the best grade of oil for binders, windmills and all farm machinery.

CASON, COX & Co.

NOTICE OF FIRST MEETING OF CREDITORS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS, AT ABILENE.

In the matter of No. 117
McCann, Caver & Co. in
Bankrupts } Bankruptcy
OFFICE OF REFEREE

Abilene, Texas, May 16, '08.

To the creditors of McCann, Caver & Co., a co-partnership composed of J. M. McCann and J. R. Caver of Cliff in the county of Haskell and district aforesaid, bankrupts. Notice is hereby given that on the 13th day of April A. D., 1908, the said McCann, Caver & Co., were duly adjudged bankrupts, and that the first meeting of their creditors will be held at my office in the city of Abilene in Taylor county Texas, on the 12th day of June A. D. 1908, at 10 o'clock in the

forenoon, at which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupts, and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

K. K. LEGETT,
Referee in Bankruptcy.

On Wednesday of this week the Death Angel came and transplanted from earth to heaven the infant child of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Sprowls. Although it is hard for parents to part from their little ones there is consolation in the knowledge that they are safe in the Master's kingdom and have not to encounter and risk the trials and temptations of this world.

Mr. Robt. Hollis was in town Tuesday and we learned that he had three acres in onions. He said that he got but a poor stand up but thought he would gather 200 bushels from the patch.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

Of the Haskell National Bank at Haskell, in the State of Texas, as at the close of Business May 14, 1908.

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$197,028.23
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	6,251.56
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	25,000.00
Banking-house, furniture and fixtures	7,000.00
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	1,872.16
Due from State Banks and Bankers	80.16
Due from approved reserve agents	3,204.92
Checks and other cash items	328.28
Notes of other National Banks	1,809.00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	48.45
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:	
Specie	12,120.50
Legal-tender notes	6,303.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent circulation)	1,250.00
TOTAL	208,201.05
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	60,000.00
Surplus fund	12,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	14,610.27
National Bank notes outstanding	25,000.00
Due to other National Banks	4,315.72
Due to State Banks and Bankers	340.56
Due to approved reserve agents	409.43
Individual Deposits subject to check	50,226.98
Times certificates of deposit	1,000.00
Certified Checks	1,000.00
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	5,000.00
TOTAL	\$208,201.06

State of Texas, County of Haskell, ss: I, G. E. Langford, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. G. E. Langford, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of May, 1908. H. S. Wilson, Notary Public.

CORRECT ATTEST: G. R. Couch, Director; S. W. Scott, Director.

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TORNADO INSURANCE
LIVE STOCK INSURANCE
ACCIDENT INSURANCE
HEALTH INSURANCE
PLATE GLASS INSURANCE
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Haskell, - - - Texas.

Church of Christ Meeting.
Evangelist Lee P. Mansfield Lingleville Christian College will begin a series of meetings in Haskell Saturday night, May 30, to continue indefinitely, and we request everybody to attend these services and hear him. This meeting will be in a tent one or two blocks north of public square. Come one, come all. No abuse will be indulged in.
Elders Church of Christ.



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of grain and feed—we are ready for all comers, whether they want bushels, binfuls, cartloads or carloads. The quantity does not worry us—the quality need not worry you. Bagful or cartload, you'll find our oats, corn, hay and all sorts of provender the right sort.
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A FIRE IN THE NIGHT
is always a horrible experience to those who have been burned out and left homeless—especially if they have had no insurance to cover their loss. Don't get caught like this, but like the wise virgins, have your lamps trimmed and burning and be ready for the fire fiend by having a policy in a good company, drawn by
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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

For Representative 104 District:
R. B. HUMPHREYS
of Throckmorton County.
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of Stonewall County.

D. J. BROOKRESON
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:
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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
J. N. F. GILLILAND

For Commissioner Pre No 2
EDWIN PATTON

For Constable Pre 4
T. E. SCHARFF
L. F. BURRIS

For Commissioner Pre No 4
W. P. MCCARTY
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Mme. Mathilde Marchesi Method
TERMS:
\$5.00 a month. \$6.00 for two in a class.
Summer Class Starts June 2d.
Phone 264

Our townsman, Postmaster Jno. B. Baker, was elected by the Republican convention as a delegate from this, the Sixteenth, congressional district to the Republican National convention to be held in Chicago within a few weeks.

Messrs. B. Cox, Jno. B. Baker and Jim Lindsey attended the Republican State convention at Fort Worth last week and assisted in the endorsement of Secretary Taft for the presidency.

PAID PROMPTLY
Haskell, Texas, 16 May, 1908.
This is to certify that our recent loss by fire was satisfactorily adjusted by the Citizens' Insurance Co., and that we had a draft covering our loss within a week from the time the adjuster was here. English Bros.

If you want insurance that protects, and that can be collected promptly and without trouble in event of loss, call on me and I shall be glad to fix you up.
S. W. Scott, Agt. for Citizens Insurance Co.

New Gin Plant.
Mr. Fred Sanders is putting in a complete modern gin plant just west of the depot in this place. It will have the capacity of four eighty saw gins.

Mr. W. H. Scott whose farm is in the western part of the county near the Brazos river, was in town Tuesday getting some repairs for his reaper, which he is putting in shape to harvest his wheat in about ten days. He dropped into our sanctum and had his subscription date set up another year. In talking with Mr. Scott we learned that he had about quit cotton and is devoting his farm to grain and feed stuff. He said that for some reason his wheat had fallen a little short this year and he did not expect it to yield over 15 bushels per acre, although some estimated it at more. His oats, of which he has 80 to 90 acres, he thinks are good for between 40 and 50 bushels per acre.

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

Another good thing in town is the large refrigerator which Alexander Mercantile Company have installed in their grocery department. This refrigerator will hold 1000 pounds of ice and has several compartments in which butter, eggs, cheese, grape juice, fresh vegetables, etc., will be kept in cold storage in the best of condition for use in the hottest of weather. In providing this convenience and, we may say, luxury for their customers, this firm gives another demonstration of its up-to-date-ness.

Citizens' Club Shop.
Our tailoring shop has become the popular place where most of our citizens get their cleaning and pressing done. How about yours?
J. H. Evans,
The Tailor.

Mare and colt strayed—My sorrel mare with flaxen mane and tail, about 16 hands, white spot size of a hand on right hip close to flank, has bay colt about a year old, with blaze face with her. Write or phone me at Rule, Texas.
H. B. Payne.

Mr. J. E. McPherson returned several days ago from a business trip in Knox and Foard counties. Mr. J. J. Stein made a run over to Rule Tuesday in his auto, the "Rambler," only it doesn't ramble but gets up and gets there.