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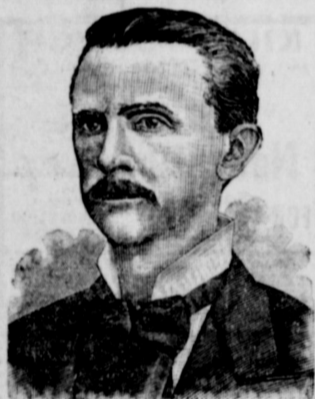
"TIS NEITHER BIRTH NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE, BUT THE GIT-UP-AND-GIT THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

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DEATH OF JUDGE WEBB.

The brief announcement in THE STAR last week of the tragic death of Judge Britian R. Webb at Fort Worth cast a gloom over the whole town, where he lived so long and had so many warm friends. In a general way we all knew that Judge Webb had been in ill health for several years, but none but the family and a few intimate friends here knew his real condition. He felt that his health was irreparably lost after a struggle of many years, and heavy expense, caused despondency from which he could not escape, caused the rash act. It is hard to realize that the quiet, genial, unassuming, cultured gentleman has passed to the great beyond, and that we will never again in this life feel the warm clasp of his hand, and note the light of that smile so peculiar to him when he greeted his friends. How little do we know of the troubles and heartaches of even our nearest friends and often we only realize it when some shocking tragedy like this strikes upon our hearts like the sound of thunder from a clear sky.

Judge Webb stood high in his profession, and as a writer deserved a high rank. For eleven years he held



Yours truly
B. R. Webb

the difficult position of Court Reporter for several of the higher courts. The best evidences of his ability is the fact that he held this position that commanded a handsome salary without opposition. His death, that has come after long years of anxiety on the part of his family, is one of the saddest incidents in their lives. No death in the twenty years of our newspaper experiences of any one not related to us, has caused us more pain than to have to record the death of Judge Webb under the circumstances. For more than ten years his brother, "A. G." who idolized his gifted elder brother, who in turn reciprocated his love and affection, has had a dread upon his mind of the event that has come to pass. He did everything possible that a brother could do to cheer him and aid him in every way to regain his health.

To him, more than any one else, the blow falls hardest. He, as well as the other members of the family, should take comfort from the fact that they did everything possible for the son, brother, husband and father. Human hands and minds can do no more. The following is the account of Judge Webb's death taken from the Ft. Worth Record last Friday:

Judge B. R. Webb reporter for the court of civil appeals, Second supreme judicial district of Texas, and one of the most prominent attorneys in the state, is dead. His body was found in the extreme southwestern portion of the city park near the Trinity river, yesterday morning about 11 o'clock by T. M. Maxon, a conductor for the Rock Island, who had been hunting in the vicinity of the park for frogs. When found Judge Webb was lying near the water's edge with a bullet hole through his head. About twelve feet from the body was found his hat and a short distance from that was a 38 calibre Harrington & Richardson revolver, with two chambers empty, while nearby was hitched the horse which had been driven to the park by Judge Webb.

Yesterday morning Judge Webb and his brother A. G. Webb, of Baird, drove up to the city for the purpose of drawing up the necessary papers for the purchase of some land in Callahan county. On reaching the Hunter-Phelm Savings & Trust Company bank, Judge Webb told his brother to step inside of the bank and attend to some matters pertaining to the closing of the deal, saying that he would drive around awhile. After leaving his brother, Judge Webb drove to Anderson's gun store where he purchased a revolver for \$5.00. It was about 9:30 when Judge Webb left the Anderson gun store, and about 9:45 o'clock two pistol shots rang out in the southwestern portion of the city park. The reports were heard by T. M. Maxon, who was a short distance beyond the city park, and Assistant Parkkeeper Mott. Parkkeeper Mott paid no particular attention to the matter, as people are shooting at frogs, etc up and down the river at all hours during the day. On returning to the City park to get his horse, Mr. Maxon saw another horse hitched near his. He glanced around and his attention was attracted by a hat. On investigation he found a revolver and later saw the body of Judge Webb. It had rolled down an embankment and stopped a short distance from the edge of the river. The bullet—only one taking effect—had entered the right side of the head and passed through the left side just above the ear.

Judge Webb has been suffering with some nervous disorder for about ten years, and for several weeks his condition has been growing worse. He had been urged by his family and immediate friends to take treatment at the sanitarium. It is thought

that rather than yield to the solicitations and go to the sanitarium for treatment, for he was a very sensitive man, he decided to take the steps which resulted in death. His condition was such that the burden was too great to bear. For several years Judge Webb had been taking regularly and faithfully medicine prescribed by physicians in New York, but if he ever received any great benefit therefrom he never said so. While unable to go to his office he has edited volume after volume of Texas Reports in his library at home.

Judge Webb was born July 2, 1851, in Pontotoc county, Miss. In 1871 he entered the university in Oxford Miss., for a course of two years. In 1873 he was admitted to the bar in Liberty, Miss. He removed to Texas in 1877, and settled at Breckenridge, Stephens county, where he married Miss Lillie Callaway, the daughter of an Alabama planter. In 1880 Judge Webb and his wife removed to Callahan county and in 1895 they came to Fort Worth. Judge Webb was immediately appointed as reporter for the court of civil appeals of the Second supreme judicial district of Texas, in which position he has served with entire satisfaction up to the time of his death. During his early years, Judge Webb worked on his father's farm, but devoted every spare minute to the study of books, and has always been regarded as a most assiduous student. He was especially fond of Greek, Latin and French and was strong in mathematics. He was a man of polished manners, pleasing address, and was at all times courteous and affable.

Judge Webb is survived by his wife, two brothers, S. E. Webb and A. G. Webb, of Baird, his mother, Mrs. Martha J. Webb, of Baird, and four children, Britian R. Webb Jr., city editor of the Amorilla Herald, Sanford Webb and Misses Minnie and Bessie Webb. He also has a sister, Mrs. W. Y. Webb, in Mississippi, and was an uncle of Professor C. F. Webb of this city.

The funeral services were held Friday afternoon at the home, conducted by Rev. Alonzo Monk of the First Methodist Episcopal church and Rev. C. W. Daniel of the First Baptist Church. Dr. Monk affiliated with the Masonic order at the grave and also conducted the services there.

Many sorrowing relatives and friends were present and dozens of floral offerings were received and placed upon the grave at the conclusion of the ceremonies. The Masonic order in the city attended in a body. The pall bearers were: Judge T. H. Conner, Judge I. W. Stephens, Judge Ocie Speer, Sidney L. Samuels, E. P. Maddox and Thomas D. Ross.

The following relatives of the deceased arrived in time for the burial, Mrs. M. D. Oliver-Eakle, Amorilla, F. J. Downey, wife and baby, Shawnee, Okla.; Sanford Haynes of

Breckenridge; Wiley E. Oliver, Chilcothe; B. R. Webb, Jr. Amorilla.

Judge B. R. Webb was a son of Hon. B. R. Webb, of Mississippi, who was a distinguished educator and was repeatedly elected a member of the Mississippi legislature, and who at the time of his death, Jan. 16, 1860, was secretary of state under Gov. J. J. Pettus, of Mississippi. He was buried with distinguished honors, Joseph Warren Lodge No. 71 F. & A. M. and New Albany Chapter No. 71 R. A. M., of which he was a member, passed resolutions mourning the death of a distinguished and loved member. Gov. Pettus in a message to the Legislature of Mississippi, then in session, spoke of him in the highest terms. Among other things he said: "He was a gentleman, a christian, and a patriot; a man of unblemished character, a faithful friend and a respected neighbor." The Legislature passed resolutions eulogizing the distinguished secretary of state and attended the funeral in a body, as did the state officers. Hon. B. R. Webb died in the forty-fourth year of his age; stricken in the prime of life and amid a life of usefulness and service of his state. Forty odd years later his distinguished son met death in the service of one of the grandest states of the union, that at the time of the death of his father in Mississippi, was only sparsely settled and life was unsafe in two thirds of the state from invasions of hostile indians and Mexicans.

R. A. M. OFFICERS.

At the last regular convocation of Baird Chapter No. 182 R. A. M. the following officers were elected and appointed to serve for the ensuing Masonic year:

J. B. Harmon, High Priest.
Fred Alvord, King.
Martin Barnhill, Scribe.
S. T. Fraser, Capt. of the Host.
B. L. Russell, Principal Sojourner.
W. E. Gilliland, Royal Arch Capt.
Harry Meyer, Grand Master 3d Veil.
E. M. Faust, Grand Master 2nd Veil.
H. O. Powell, Grand Master, 1st Veil.

A. Cooke, Treasurer.
J. H. Walker, Secretary.
J. E. Gilliland, Guard.
Installation of officers will take place at next regular convocation on July 20, 1906.

Pasture Posted.

My pasture known as the Chase pasture north of Baird is posted, all hunting and fishing positively forbidden; trespassers will be prosecuted. 49-4 C. B. SNYDER.

ESTRAY NOTICES.

One brown pony horse about 14 hands high, no brand, with white hind feet and left fore foot white, about 14 years old.

One white mare 14 1-4 hands high, branded on left shoulder but brand not known, about 12 years old. Said animals are now in the neighborhood of J. A. Philleys' pasture about 17 miles north-west of Baird, Texas. Estrayed by W. A. Hinds, Co. Com. Pre. No. 1.

One sorrell horse, blaze face, about 12 years old, branded P. P. J. on left hip about, 14 hands high. This animal is now ranging in the neighborhood of Chas. Bruton's pasture near Old Belle Plaine in Callahan County, Texas. Estrayed by A. E. Kendrick, Co. Com. Pre. No. 2.

One roan horse 14 1-2 hands high, about 8 years old, branded F on left shoulder and diamond with tail on left hip shod all around.

One bay horse about 14 1-2 hands high, about 9 years old, branded OL (connected O above L) on left thigh.

One black yearling mare mule unbranded. The above described animals are now ranging in the neighborhood of Herman Aiken's pasture three miles north of Dressy, Texas. Estrayed by John W. Aiken, Co. Com. Pre. No. 4. 49-4

We are informed by a letter from Prof. A. B. Edwards that he is now partner in the Texas Typewriting Company Shorthand College in which school the Edwards Practical Shorthand will be one of the principal features. We are proud to note that another of Putnam's young men is forging ahead in the affairs of the world. Alrah's Shorthand System bids fair to become one of the leading systems of the day as some of the High Schools of the county have already adopted it.—Putnam News.

Mayor St. John returned Wednesday night from a visit to his old home in Kentucky. He had a high old time and is now rejuvenated and fortified for another siege of business.—Cisco Round-Up.

SPECIAL TRAIN SERVICE FOR MINERAL WELLS.

Visitors to the Great Health and Pleasure Resort from West Texas reaching Weatherford on train No. 6 at 5:40 a. m. may now make connection with Mineral Wells trains leaving Weatherford at 9:55 a. m. and 11:10 a. m. returning leaving Mineral Wells at 8 p. m. connecting with T. & P. No. 5 leaving Weatherford for the West at 9:45 p. m. Write for Mineral Wells booklet. E. P. TURNER, G. P. A. Dallas, Texas. 31-tf

WE ARE HERE AGAIN.

I have bought the B. L. Boydston entire stock of Racine Buggies, Hacks and Harness and am open for business at his old stand next door to A. Carter's Grocery Store. Our new stock of Hardware and Saddlery Goods, are arriving daily and we can now supply you with Buggies, Hacks, Luedinghaus Wagons, Harness, Hay Ties, Ammunition and Fishing Tackle. We will rebuild at once and expect to be doing business at the "old stand" inside of 30 days. Don't buy a Buggy, Hack or Harness until you see our stock we will save you money. Some special bargains in Racine Hacks to reduce stock, come quick if you want to get in on a good thing. We have one second hand canopy surry at a bargain. We want you to come in and see our Luedinghaus, Bois 'darc Wagons whether you intend to buy or not, we have a good supply of Wagons and Harness in stock and can give you what you want.

C. S. BOYLES, BAIRD, TEXAS.

ARE WE NEARING THE END?

The Kicker is not superstitious, in the ordinary acceptance of the term, neither is it an alarmist, but, accepting, as do most intelligent people, the Bible as our guide and mentor through this vale of tears, the thoughtful mind cannot but be impressed with the direct bearing which revealed prophecy has upon the trifling events of the past few years. Laying aside the predictions of the ancient inspired seers, we have not far to go in the New Testament to be furnished infinite food for thought. Thus in Matthew, 24th chapter, when upon the mount of Olives, Christ's disciples sought a sign saying:

"Tell us when shall these things be; and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?"

And Jesus answered: "Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying 'I am Christ,' and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet."

"For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows."

And in 11 Peter 3:10: "The heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat: the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up."

We have seen the false prophets, Schroeder, Dowie and others, who have "deceived many." We have had wars and rumors of wars and nation has risen against nation. God's people have been, and continue to be, delivered to fire and sword in Armenia and China. Famine stalks abroad in Japan. The fearful catastrophe of Mt. Vesuvius is followed by a destructive earthquake in the island of Formosa, and before humanity has time to breathe freely we have the California horror, the most stupendous visitation in the world's history.

How weak and frail it makes us feel, and how, like an infant, helpless! Are we nearing the end?

Peter, no doubt thinking along somewhat similar lines, comes to the faithful in the role of a comforter: "Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness."

"Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of Him in peace, without spot and blameless."

—Ozona Kicker.

PICNIC AT CROSS PLAINS.

THE STAR is requested to announce that there will be a picnic at Cross Plains, Friday, July 13th. Candidates from congress to constable will be there and the people are making preparations for a great affair.

Don't let the grasshoppers get your crop, but get some arsenic at R. Phillips'. 25

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ounced when they found a week later that Knox was not only living, but gaining strength.

FLEEING MAN SHOT.

After Running Several Blocks, He Falls Dead.

Dallas, June 30.—An unknown man, who was charged with robbing the residence of Dr. Garrett of Ferney, was shot at by officers here Friday afternoon near the corner of Elm and Preston streets. He ran to Jackson street, several blocks away, and dropped dead. He had been arrested, and pending the arrival of the patrol wagon escaped from the police. A bullet entered his back and came out of the chest.

Young Lady Kills Herself

Ardmore, June 30.—Miss Vera Hooks, a sister of W. F. Hooks, a stockman of this city, shot herself in the head with a shotgun, dying in a few minutes. The family formerly resided in Alabama.

Immense Lard Shipment.

Fort Worth, June 30.—A train consisting of thirty-two carloads of lard left here for Galveston. The lard goes to Germany.

Crushed to Death.

McKinney, July 2.—Charlie Cox, aged thirty-five years, was caught between an engine and separator near Weston Saturday and crushed to death.

Mrs. J. C. Weaver Dies.

Dallas, June 28.—Mrs. J. C. Weaver, prominent in women federation circles and noted for her charities and other good works, departed this life at an early hour Thursday.

Twenty-Five Years.

Belton, June 30.—J. F. Blythe, on trial, charged with attempted criminal assault on a little girl, was given twenty-five years.

Hot For Quaker City.

Philadelphia, July 2.—The thermometer at 6 o'clock Saturday morning registered 86 degrees.

Prominent Alabamian Dead.

Huntsville, July 2.—Captain Daniel Coleman, a consul to France under President Cleveland, is dead.

Clark to Visit Mineral Wells.

Washington, July 2.—Congressman Champ Clark will soon be at Mineral Wells for a few weeks' stay.

Anti-Scalping Law Legal.

Nashville, June 30.—The state supreme court holds the anti-scalping law is legal.

Colombia's New Minister.

Washington, July 3.—Enuque Cortez is Colombia's new minister to the United States.

Sixteen Succumb.

New York, July 3.—Sixteen fatalities, the result of heat, occurred in Greater New York Sunday.

Compromise Ticket Wins.

Panama, July 3.—The elections here passed off quietly. The compromise ticket was elected.

One Company Arrives.

Austin, July 3.—One company of the Twenty-sixth infantry is in camp.

Free From Pests.

Denison, July 3.—Cotton in this section is free from pests.

Something new in ladies white linen skirts just received at H. Schwartz' 21tf

When you see Powell think of drugs. 16-1f

No Trespassing Allowed.

Positively no trespassing allowed in either of my pastures on Rough Creek or the Bayou. Parties found trespassing will be prosecuted 28-4-p W. J. HARRIS.

When you think of drugs see Powell. 30-tf

Administrators Notice.

The State of Texas, County of Callahan: To those indebted to, or holding claims against the Estate of M. Sue Nelson, Deceased.

The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of M. Sue Nelson, deceased, late of Callahan County, Texas, by I. N. Jackson judge of the county court of said county, on the 4th day of June, 1906, during a regular term thereof, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to him at his residence in Baird, Callahan County, Texas, where he receives his mail. This 6th day of June, 1906. S. E. WEBB.

Administrator of the estate of M. Sue Nelson, deceased. 28

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Bring in some wood on subscription.

Don't fail to see the new wall paper at Powell & Powell's, 16-tf

Go to "Butch" Wilson's for dry salt bacon. 52

Phone 227 for Ice.

NOTICE.

I will pay \$50 reward for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons found guilty of stealing any horses, mules or cattle belonging to any citizen of Callahan County. 2-tf T. A. IRVIN, Sheriff.

OLD PAPERS FOR SALE AT STAR OFFICE Just the thing to put under your carpets, 25c per hundred.

Old papers for sale at THE STAR office, 25 cents per hundred.

ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

The Protective Stock Association of Callahan and adjoining counties will pay above reward for the arrest and conviction of any person for the theft or unlawful branding of any horses or cattle belonging to any member of this Association, in good standing.

J. B. CUTBIRTH, Pres.
A. G. WEBB, Secy.

They are certainly selling men's suits and low quarter shoes at Schwartz'. 21tf

Dress Goods Talk.

The white goods season is surely here, never in the history of the Dry Goods business has there been such a demand for white goods. We are prepared better to supply your wants than any house in Baird, because we have re-ordered on all white goods and have just received our second large shipment of same, such as linens, linter linen finish goods, we have just what you need and want at 15c 20c 25c 30c 35c 45c 50c and 60c also the linen sheeting at 1.25 per yard. We have made our dress goods department for this season the town talk of the people, we have the best and most selected stock that can be seen in Baird and will undersell all competitors.

A FEW ARTICLES WE ARE HAVING GREAT SUCCESS SELLING

<p>SLIPPERS We have most any kind you may want from \$4 down to... The Star Brand Shoes are better. See our white canvas slippers.</p>		<p>SHIRT WAISTS. White lawn 50c and more elaborately trimmed ones for 75c Silk Waists from \$4.50 to \$5</p>
<p>HOSE. The celebrated Iron Clad. Some imported lace hose in ladies and misses sizes.</p>	<p>SKIRTS. White Linen Skirts Well tailored for \$1.75 White Wool Serge \$5 and \$7.50 Anything in blacks, etc.</p>	
<p>MUSLIN UNDERWARE. Our stock of muslin underware is complete—Chemise, Gowns, Long Kimonas, Skirts, Corset Covers.</p>	<p>TIES. We have the largest assortment of Ladies Collars in Baird. To look means to buy.</p>	

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Don't fail to see our Carpets before buying. We will save you money.

H. SCHWARTZ

Entered at the postoffice at Baird, Tex., as second class mail matter.

W. E. GILLILAND, Editor and Proprietor.

Baird needs a stand pipe for fire purposes worse than anything else just now. Better consider the matter before the town goes up in smoke.

The countryman's description of Kershaw River applies to the Trinity the effort to make which navigable as far as Dallas is a standing joke. Once or twice a year the biggest ship ever built could navigate it, but for the rest of the year a long-legged chicken could wade it without getting his tail feathers wet.—El Paso Times.

DEATHS.

Mrs. Mary Callahan, aged 82 years mother of Mr. A. A. Callahan, of Baird, died at the residence of G. P. Howell, near Atwell last Friday after a long illness. The remains were interred at Scranton last Saturday. All the children, two sons, A. A. and R. S. Callahan, and four daughters were with the aged mother when she died.

Mrs. Susan Morgan, aged about 78 years, mother of Mrs. Eugenia Stokes, of Baird, and T. B. Morgan of Jester, Okla., died at the residence of her daughter, last Saturday night. The remains were interred at Admiral Sunday evening.

Leslie Edgar, little son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Enoch, died at El Paso last Thursday night. The remains were brought to Baird and funeral services were held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Mose Franklin Saturday evening. The remains were interred at the old family burying ground at Belle Plaine.

Elmer Ramsey, brother of Mrs. C. M. McCauley, of Merkel, and W. P. Ramsey, of Dressy, died at Merkel and the body was taken to Cottonwood last night, where it will be buried today. Mr. Ramsey was a young man with a bright future before him. His many friends will regret to hear of his death.

I have a complete line of implements, also sell Racine wagons. B. L. Boydston. 30

H. O. Powell returned from Louisville, Ky., last Saturday. Mrs. Powell stopped at Dallas to visit her parents.

City Water Users.

It is a violation of the City ordinance to use city water for sprinkling or irrigation and I am determined to enforce the law. Water once cut off for violation of this law will stay cut off for the balance of the year. Last warning. J. E. TISDALE, City Marshal. 31

Racine wagons for sale by B. L. Boydston. 30.

H. C. (Boy), Joe and John McGowen have gone on a hunting trip to Rock Springs, Edwards county.

Callahan Chapter No. 242 O. E. S. meets next Monday night. Members take notice.

Uncle Tom Norrell made a flying trip to Baird yesterday.

A. G. Webb returned from Fort Worth Tuesday morning.

NO CHANGE.

By a vote of 9 to 3, (five not voting), the County Democratic Committee refused to adopt the proposed majority rule. This is what THE STAR predicted.

CHANGE IN FIRM.

Maj. D. W. Wristen and son, Ed Wristen, have bought out the interest of McGowen Bros. in the firm of McGowen Bros. & Wristen and will continue the business under the name of D. W. Wristen & Co.

BROWNSVILLE COUNTRY.

On Saturday June 9th at 7 a. m. about one hundred and fifty of the editorial party boarded a special train on the St. Louis, Brownsville, and Mexico railroad in charge of Gen. Passenger Agent, Mr. Wm. Dohorety, or we should say "Colonel" Dohorety, because by unanimous vote the Press Convention the day before had conferred the title of Col. upon him and Col. Lupton of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass road.

The country from Corpus Christi to Brownsville is almost level, with very few streams and no hills except a few sand hills below Kingville. We were surprised as well as gratified to find the passenger train first-class and the road all that could be desired. Everything is new and substantial and the trip was pleasant enough though some what monotonous as mile after mile was traversed without much change.

The country out from Corpus is level and a considerable amount of brush the first few miles out then we ran out on a black land prairie covered with scattering prickly pears, but little timber of any kind. At Robtown we struck the main line of the S. B. & M. road, which crosses the "Sap" at Sinton 20 or 30 miles from Corpus.

This is in the Driscoll ranch of three hundred thousand acres, which appears to us to be the best land on the route except in the Rio Grande valley. The distance from Corpus to Brownsville is about 160 miles there are only three pastures on the entire route, we believe, viz: Driscoll ranch, three hundred thousand acres; King ranch, one million three hundred thousand acres; Kennedy ranch, eight hundred thousand acres. The Hill ranch has one hundred thousand acres near Brownsville, but we are not sure that it touches the railroad. We ran for over fifty miles in the King ranch. At 9 a. m. we arrived at Kingville about 35 miles from Corpus. This is a new town opened up on the King ranch and claims a population of 800, though the town is rather scattered. They have a fine hotel here, the King Inn, where dinner was served free to the entire party. Several of the party visited the Santa Gertrudes ranch, the headquarters of the great King ranch, where a reception was tendered such of the party as were fortunate enough to secure conveyance to the ranch. After dinner the train pulled out south and stopped at Sarita, where State Senator John G. Willacy, of Willacy bill fame, has a large farm and was shipping water-melons by the train load. He had the depot platform covered with a hundred or two of the luscious fruit and told the party to help themselves. Both pros and antis voted Senator Willacy a brick. At Harlington, further south, Lon A. Hill, a ranchman, had another fine lot of melons for the party.

Late in the evening the party arrived at Brownsville, where they were taken for a drive over the city. Brownsville has a population of between eight and ten thousand, whites Mexicans and mixed the whites seem to be in the minority, but they are all the cleverest, most hospitable lot in Texas. The town has no electric lights, water works or sewerage. Only two hotels and some of the party had trouble in securing lodging, but finally all were safely housed. I stopped at the Miller hotel, the largest hotel, in fact some say the only hotel in town.

At night a reception was tendered the party, where a line of beautiful young ladies and matrons were lined up to receive the party. By a dextrous movement, assisted by B. C. Murray, of the Denison Gazetteer, the writer managed to dodge the line, not that we did not care to meet the ladies, but to accomodate the bache-

lor members, who were just dying to get into line and it looked like imposing on the ladies for the old married men to take up the time of the younger members thus unnecessarily delaying the speech making. After speaking there was a lunch and a dance.

Fort Brown, a four company post is located here and is the farthest post south, on the mainland of Uncle Sam's domain. Our hotel was situated about a hundred yards from the west gate leading to the grounds. The post, like all of Uncle Sam's government posts, is as clean and neat as a pin.

At one side of the parade grounds stands the tall flag staff from which old glory floats lazily in the evening breeze. Near by stands the old brass gun mounted on a pivot to salute the flag as it is raised at sunrise and lowered at sunset. A few minutes before sunset a squad of soldiers were drawn up on the east side of the flag staff. The old gun with the muzzle turned towards the north-east we suppose in deference to the Mexicans just across the turbid river. When all was ready "boom" goes the cannon and slowly the stars and stripes fall to the foot of the staff, where it is carefully folded up and stowed away until sunrise next morning when it is raised with a salute of one gun just as it is lowered. One of our party objected to the proceedings because they did not wait until sunset (it lacked about eight or ten minutes when the gun was fired) to lower the flag, but some one suggested that they had to get telegraphic orders from Teddy or had a specified time to lower the flag, or something of the kind which seemed to satisfy the objector.

Brownsville is a quaint old town, nothing like it in Texas, at least, and the whole country seems to be at least fifty years behind the balance of the state. The people are supplied with water hauled in barrels by Mexicans on carts pulled by a Mexican mule about as big as one of Senator Willacy's melons.

Early Sunday morning the entire party with a lot of Brownsville folks crossed the river to Matomores, the quaint old Mexican town. Here again we found they do things different from any place we ever struck. The ferry, there is no bridge, consists of two large skiffs each pulled by a Mexican. Each boat will carry 12 or 15 passengers and they run all day. The fare is three centivas, 3 cts Mexican, and they don't want U. S. money. The writer not having any Mexican change was in a pickle, but a friend planked down the three centivas and all was well. After the Mexican oarsman had satisfied himself by counting the passengers and his change that all had paid he leisurely pulled out from the landing for the land of the cacti and greasers. The river here is about one hundred yards wide and was at flood tide. The river, Rio Grande Del Norte, Great, or Big river of the north, is up eight months in the year, and at the time we crossed it was said to be about thirty feet deep and the water was so thick with red mud that it looked like you could cut chunks out of it with a knife as it rolled sluggishly along.

One peculiarity about the water we noticed in crossing was that innumerable small spots amid the muddy waters appeared to be perfectly clear. At the landing on the Mexican side is a rickety narrow guage railroad said to have been built about forty years ago. The cars seemed to be about 8 or 10 feet long and about four feet high, at least when the scribe's head hit the roof in a vain effort to stand erect it seemed that he lacked about 2 feet of standing perpendicular. We give it up and sat down on the guard rail on the outside. Here again we got into trouble for lack of Mexican change.

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The conductor, who looked more like a broncho buster on a ranch than a street car conductor, could not understand why a United States nickle should be worth 10 centivas and would not take it. Capt. McDonald of Brownsville, satisfied the conductor by paying Mexican coin for several of us and we started for the town two miles away. The motive power was a deminutive Mexican mule, and trotted along at a pretty good clip. If the road was built forty years ago we are satisfied it has not had a new rail laid or a coach built since then. One of the wheels on the out-going car seemed to have a flat side to it, and the riding was about as comfortable as riding in an ox cart, or a lame horse that could only use three legs.

We arrived at the end of our journey in due course of time when the party with a number of those already there and those that came on every car, scattered over the town to see the sights. The streets are narrow, not over 50 or 60 feet wide, side walks about four feet and dirt every where. Most of the houses are built of red brick, but all look old and unkept except a some stores we visited were nice and clean and were a relief from the dirty streets and sidewalks. United States Consul Griffith entertained the Americans and showed us every courtesy. We visited the plaza near the stopping place, which was well laid out with nice shade trees. In the center is a brick pavement where the seniors and senoretas dance to the music of this plaza is a famous old Catholic cathedral, the name has escaped our memory. We intended to visit the cathedral in the evening, but feeling indisposed did not return, hence missed seeing the most interesting object to visitors in the city.

Matomores is an old town and once had a population of about 60,000, but has dwindled down to about 10,000 or 12,000. The town is connected by railroad, Mexican National, from Monteray, but has no direct rail connection with the United States, though we heard at Brownsville that there is a movement on foot to build a railroad bridge across the river between Brownsville and Matamores. The Mexican government keeps about fifteen hundred troops stationed here. We

noticed a number patrolling the streets. The police or some of them at least carry large pistols and look just about as much like a policeman as the conductor on the jerk water railroad from the ferry to the city resembles a conductor.

After visiting several places and purchasing a few souvenirs we recrossed the river to Brownsville, where we got dinner and rested the balance of the day.

The bull fight widely advertised to come off on Sunday at Matomores for the edification of the editors did not come off. One of the members at Corpus Christi wanted the Association to protest against the bull-fight that was supposed to come off on the next Sunday. He said the editors of Texas could not afford to endorse such cruel sport. Just whether the resolution was adopted or not we do not know, but suppose it was and then every editor pulled out to Matomores with the intention no doubt of seeing the sport, but the bull-fighting season was over, at least, none was held while we were there. Sunday is a big day on the Mexican side and things were pretty wide open on this side too for that matter. Sunday at 11 a. m. most of the party returned on the special train and were given a barbecue at Robtown on the Driscoll ranch by Miss Clara Driscoll, who did so much to save the Alamo from passing into private hands.

B. C. Murray and daughter, Miss Dulce, of the Denison Gazetteer, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Dailey, Dublin Progress; Mr. and Mrs. Jim Tom Story, Health Resort, Mineral Wells; Col. F. B. Baillio, Western Newspaper Union, Dallas; June Miller, Review Chico; and the writer remained over in Brownsville until Monday morning when they came up on the regular train. Sunday the mercury registered 90 degrees in the thermometer at the hotel at Brownsville, but it was hotter than at 100 at Baird.

NOTE:—Next week we will tell you more about the towns and surrounding country and a bit of history about the Mexican war that will interest some of our readers. Some perhaps don't know that the first battles of the Mexican war, Palo Alto and Resaca de la Palma, were fought near Matomores. W. E. G.

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LOCAL NEWS.

THRASHING.

I am prepared to do your thrashing. See me. R. M. GRANTHAM, 28-4 Oplin, Texas.

C. Eldon Boydston has returned from Kansas City.

W. P. Brightwell, of Oplin, was in town Monday.

Miss Clara Gilliland is visiting Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Jones on Clear Creek.

W. F. Wilson returned yesterday from Fort Worth, where he went with a shipment of cattle.

Misses Zettie Dean, Irene and John Gilliland are visiting in Fort Worth.

Miss Dora Warren went out Monday to spend a week with Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hill, near Belle Plaine.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brown and little grandson, Norville Rogers, of Big Springs, are visiting friends here.

Miss Dora Warren returned home last Friday from a month's visit to her sister, Mrs. Dean Warren, in Palo Pinto county. Mrs. Warren and children came home with her and will spend a few weeks here.

New line of wall paper at Powell & Powell's 16-17.

When you think of drugs see Powell. 16-17

Miss Daisy Cunningham, of Big Springs, who has been the guest of Miss Myrtle Boydston for sometime, left Tuesday for Rockwall to visit before returning home.

Miss Willie Floyd returned Saturday from Ardmore, I. T.

Mr. J. D. Boydston left Tuesday for Rockwall to attend the old Confederate reunion on the 4th.

Mrs. Skillian, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oris Phillips, returned to her home at Smithville Monday.

Jay Axtell, who has been visiting Harrol Phillips has returned to Ft. Worth.

Mrs. Charley Wooldredge and children who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Floyd for sometime have returned to their home at Roswell, N. M.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Rushing and Miss Florence, came up from Weatherford a few days ago and were to go the first of the week across the country to Breckenridge.

Mr. A. A. Callahan has four sisters and they are all visiting him and Mrs. Callahan. Mrs. S. H. Tidwell and husband, Tolar, Texas; Mrs. G. F. Howell, Atwell; Mrs. Jas. Reed, Foss, Okla.; and Mrs. J. F. White, Sulphur Bluff, Texas.

Meeting Closed.

The Methodist protracted meeting conducted by Revs. Meador and Barnes, closed Monday night. There were eight or ten conversions and a number of accessions to the church.

Bro. Meador requests THE STAR to announce that Rev. Jno. R. Morris Presiding Elder, will preach at the Methodist Church Sunday. Hear him.

Buy a Racine wagon from B. L. Boydston. 30

MARRIED.

JENSON—WILSON—At the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Wilson on Thursday evening, June 28, 1906 was the scene of a very pretty wedding when Mr. Lawrence Jenson, one of Baird's worthy young men, led with manly pride his lovely bride, Miss Annie Bell Wilson, one of Baird's highly respected young ladies, to the marriage altar at 6:30 p. m. Rev. C. B. Meador, pastor of the M. E. Church South, officiating.

Mr. Jenson is a machinist in the employ of the T. & P. Ry. Co. in the shops at Baird and is a good workman. He is the youngest machinist in the employ of the T. & P. Ry. Co.

After the marriage ceremony the guests were served with delightful refreshments after which they were entertained with some vocal and instrumental music.

A few friends of the family were present to witness the marriage ceremony, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. J. E. W. Lane and Miss Jennette Reagan.

We extend to Mr. and Mrs. Jenson congratulations and good wishes. ***

REPUBLICAN CONVENTION.

A convention of the Republicans of Callahan County is hereby called to meet at Baird Texas, on Aug. 4, 1906. The republicans of each precinct are requested to meet on July 28th for the purpose of electing delegates to said Convention.

J. H. FISCH, Chairman.
WM. McMANIS, Sec.

Stockholders Meeting.

THE STAR is requested to announce that a meeting of the stockholders of the Farmers & Merchants Gin Company of Baird will be held at the City Hall in Baird, Monday, July 9th at 10 o'clock. Every stocker is requested to be present as business of importance is to be transacted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce the following name persons subject to the action of the Democratic Primary, should one be held:

For Representative 103 District,

T. J. BARRETT.
W. J. BRYAN.

For County Judge,

I. N. JACKSON.
B. L. RUSSELL.

For Sheriff,

T. A. IRVIN.
D. A. (Bose) IVY

For County Attorney,

W. R. ELY.

For County Treasurer,

J. E. W. LANE.
J. D. BRYSON.

W. E. (Eugene) MELTON.

W. R. McDERMOTT.

For Tax Assessor,

M. G. (Melvin) FARMER.
T. B. HOLLAND,

R. J. (Bob) ESTES.

T. J. NORRELL.

For County & Dist. Clerk,

GEO. B. SCOTT,

For Public Weigher, Baird District,

D. J. (Dee) EASTHAM, of Admiral.

J. R. (Dick) PRICE.

For Co. Commissioner Pre. No. 1.

W. A. HINDS.

M. L. HAYS.

For Co., Commissioner Pre. No. 2.

E. A. KENDRICK.

PHILLIP YOST.

J. W. (Jack) MEYERS.

For Co., Commissioner Pre. No. 4.

JOHN W. AIKEN.

C. S. KENADY.

Constable Pre. No. 1.,

W. C. ASBURY.

Justice of the Peace Pre. No. 4:

W. F. IRBY.

Mrs. Ed Crawford and children of Lynn county, came in Monday and went out to Dudley to visit Mr. and Mrs. C's. parents.—Abilene Reporter.

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CONFEDERATE REUNION.
The Confederate Reunion will be held at Baird July 20th and 21st as originally announced. We want to make this the best reunion held in the county. Let every one pull for the success of the reunion.

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HOTEL SEAY **DRS. FANNING & LINCOLN** BAIRD, TEXAS

There are many items of news that most country editors will not publish because they might cause pain to some good people; many items that an unthinking and often unfeeling public censures the editor for leaving out of his paper, often the omission is not credited to the kindness of heart of the editor, but to gross carelessness in gathering the news. Sometimes we are almost compelled to publish things that we had rather leave out; but when such things occur we always try to put the item in a way not to cause needless pain to the parties interested. True, we have sometimes given mortal offense by publishing local items when no offense was intended or resentment expected. Loss of a subscriber of course is the result, but when such things occur we close the account with the cranky sub and go on without regret, further than is natural for one to be misunderstood and censured for something unjustly. Some people are very peculiar, they rejoice at the news of some short coming of others and if such things happen to get into print how they do praise the editor for his hustling qualities; but let something happen in their own family and things look entirely different. If the local paper publishes the item the editor is censured of course. He should not have done it, of course not.

Few people know or can have the least idea of what a local editor has to contend with. Many think he is only too anxious to publish the short comings of his neighbors, just like some men and women like to gossip about their neighbors, but such is not the case with most editors, at least not so with this editor. We always like to publish good things about people and leave out all the bad. Life is too short and rocky enough for the average mortal without us adding anything to their troubles.

The following from the Leonard Graphic expresses our thoughts along this line exactly:

"There are always a few items of

news that we never print. If it's something that would hurt the feelings of anyone who might read it, we leave it out. If it is something that would reflect upon the character, we leave it out, if it is something that would not be nice to read around the fireside and in the presence of children and ladies, we never print it, if it is something that will make anyone feel good, we want to print it; if it is something that would encourage one to lead a better life we are anxious to print it. There is enough that is good and pure and wholesome to fill this paper once a week in the year. We like to leak the reading public into higher and nobler ways of thinking if we can, for the improvement of society and the betterment of mankind. We believe that there is more good than bad in this world and that of our duty is to pick out the good and overlook the bad. There is enough of pain, sorrow and heartache in this world without heaping coals of fire on the flame of shame and regret by parading the faults of those who err. That is our style and that is the kind of paper we believe in making. If that suits you we are glad to hear you say so. If it does not we cannot change our principles to oblige you, however cordial our friendship may be."

If the young lady who dropped the following poetic effusion near the postoffice will call at this office she can obtain the original copy and other papers of interest. Here's the way it reads: "Tell me not in idle jingle, marriage is an empty dream, for a girl is dead that's single, and things are not what they seem. Life is real, life is earnest, single blessedness a fib; man thou art to man returneth, has not been spoken of the rib. Not enjoyment and not sorrow is our destined end of way, but that each tomorrow finds us nearer marriage day. Life is short and youth is fleeting, and our hearts though light and gay, pleasant drums are beating wedding marches all the way. In the world's broad field of battle in the bivouac of life, be not like dumb driven cattle, be a heroine—a wife. Trust no future, however pleasant—let the dead past bury its dead. Act, act, in the living present, heart within and hope o'erhead! Lives of married folks remind us we can live our lives as well, and departing leave be;

hind us lots of kids to shout and yell—such examples that another, wasting time in idle sport, a forlorn unmarried brother, seeing shall take heart and court. Let us then be up and doing, still contriving, still persuing and each one a husband get."—Denison Gazetteer.

This is enough to make the author of "The Psalm of Life" turn over in his grave.

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Papers dress pins.....05	Set wood domino.....05
Good horn hairpins.....05	Ladies and misses vests.....05
doz. hooks and eyes.....05	5 Papers sewing needles.....05
Tin pint cups.....05	100 Wire hair pins.....05
boxes shoe tacks.....05	Handsaw files.....05
Tin pie platters.....05	1 12 inch file—guaranteed 15
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5 Boxes carpet tacks.....05	1 8 inch file—guaranteed.....10
2 Boxes carpet staples.....05	7 Bars Clarlette soap.....25
6 Balls sewing thread.....05	100 Feet wire cloths line.....20
12 Lamp wicks.....05	75 Feet wire cloths line.....20
25 Envelopes.....05	3 Fire test lamp chimneys.....25
12 Bone collar buttons.....05	Wire rat traps.....25
5 Comic post cards.....05	Wire mouse traps.....25
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Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing the Levy of a Tax to Pay Jurors.

Joint Resolution amending Section 9, of Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the levying of a tax not exceeding fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars valuation, to pay jurors.

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That Section 9, of Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 9. The State tax on property, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt, and of the taxes provided for the benefit of the public free schools, shall never exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation; and no county, city or town shall levy more than twenty-five cents for city or county purposes and not exceeding fifteen cents for road and bridges, and not exceeding fifteen cents to pay jurors, on the one hundred dollars valuation, except for the payment of debts incurred prior to the adoption of the amendment September 25th, 1883, and for the erection of public buildings, streets, sewers, water works and other permanent improvements, not to exceed twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation, in any one year, and except as is in this Constitution otherwise provided; and the Legislature may also authorize an additional annual ad valorem tax to be levied and collected for the further maintenance of the public roads; provided, that a majority of the qualified property tax-paying voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote ~~thereon~~ not to exceed fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of the property subject to taxation in such county. And the Legislature may pass local laws for the maintenance of the public roads and highways, without the local notice required for special or local laws.

SEC. 2. The Governor is hereby

directed to issue the necessary proclamation for submitting this amendment to the Constitution to the qualified voters of the State of Texas, on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1906, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots, "For the amendment to authorize the levy of a tax to pay jurors." The voters opposed to this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots, "Against the amendment to authorize the levy of a tax to pay jurors."

[A true copy] O. K. SHANNON, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment To The State Constitution Fixing Salaries and Per Diem of Legislators.

House Joint Resolution authorizing the submission to a vote of the people of the State of Texas of a proposed amendment of Section 24, Article 3, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, fixing the salaries and mileage of members of the Legislature, and preventing the acceptance, for themselves or for others, by members of the Legislature of free passes, franks, rebates, privileges or advantages from certain persons and corporations.

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: That at the next general election of the State of Texas, or any previous election, in case an election for the State shall be had or ordered by the Governor for other purposes, there shall be submitted to the electors of the State of Texas, for their approval or disapproval, the following amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, as provided for in Section 1, Article 17 of said Constitution, relating to proposed amendments thereto, it being intended to amend Section 24, Article 3, of said Constitution, relating to the pay of members of the Legislature, so that the said Section shall read as follows:

SEC. 24. The members of the Legislature shall receive from the

public treasury such compensation for their services as may from time to time be provided by law, not exceeding one thousand dollars for the year succeeding their election, payable in equal installments, on the first days of January, February, March and April of the year succeeding their election, and five dollars per day for each day of every special session held during the second year of the term for which said member shall be elected. In addition to said compensation the members of each house shall be entitled to mileage going to and returning from the seat of government, which mileage shall not exceed three cents per mile, the distance to be computed by the nearest and most direct route of travel by land, regardless of railways or water routes; and the Comptroller of the State shall prepare and preserve a table of the distances to each county seat, now or hereafter to be established, and by said table the mileage of each member shall be paid; but no member shall be entitled to mileage for any extra session that may be called within one day after the adjournment of any regular or called session. It shall be unlawful for any member of the Legislature during his term of office to accept any free transportation over any railway line or lines in this state, and any member of the Legislature violating the provisions of this Act prohibiting the acceptance of free transportation shall forfeit the office to which he has been elected. And it shall be unlawful for any such members to accept, receive, have, use, or enjoy, directly or indirectly, for themselves or any other person, any free pass, frank, rebate, privilege or advantage not accorded to the general public from any railroad company, telegraph company, telephone company, sleeping car company, or other corporation, or any persons, firm or corporation acting as a common carrier in this State. Any member of the Legislature violating this provision shall forfeit his office. And the necessary laws shall be enacted to carry out the provisions of this Article.

[A true copy] O. K. SHANNON, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to The State Constitution Relating to Certain Exemptions From Taxation.

Joint Resolution to amend Section 2 of Article VIII, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to certain exemptions from taxation.

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

SECTION 1. That Section 2, of Article VIII, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be so amended that the same shall read as follows, to wit:

"All occupation taxes shall be equal and uniform upon the same class of subjects within the limits of the authority levying the tax; but the Legislature may, by general laws, exempt from taxation public property used for public purposes; actual places of religious worship; places of burial not held for private or corporate profit; all buildings used exclusively and owned by persons or associations of persons for school purposes and the necessary furniture of all schools, also the endowment funds of such institutions of learning and religion not used with a view to profit and when the same are invested in bonds or mortgages, or in land or other property which has been and shall hereafter be bought in by such institutions under foreclosure sales made to satisfy or protect such bonds or mortgages; that such exemption of such land and property shall continue only for two years after the purchase of the same at such sale by such institutions and no longer, and institutions of purely

public charity; and all laws exempting property from taxation other than the property above mentioned shall be null and void."

SECTION 2. The Governor of the State shall and he is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the next general election for State and County officers.

SECTION 3. The qualified electors for members of the Legislature of the State of Texas shall vote upon this amendment on the day of _____, at which election all persons favoring said amendment shall have written or printed on the ballot as follows: "For amendment to section 2, Article 8 of the Constitution exempting from taxation endowment funds used exclusively for school purposes." And those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on the ballot as follows: "Against amendment to Section 2, Article 8, of the Constitution exempting from taxation endowment funds used exclusively for school purposes."

SECTION 4. The sum of \$5000 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the treasury of the State of Texas not otherwise appropriated to pay the expenses of such publication, proclamation, and election.

[A true copy.] O. K. SHANNON, Secretary of State.

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