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CHILDREN'S DAY PROGRAM FOR SUNDAY, JUNE 2ND.

Childrens Day will be observed at the Methodist church the 1st Sunday in June. An elaborate program is being prepared, visitors are coming from Cottonwood, Dressy and other points near here. There will be plenty of dinner on the ground, Everybody come out and enjoy the day with the children. The program will be rendered as follows.

Procession! "Childrens Day" by the S. S. pupils.
Prayer By the Pastor.
Childrens Day greeting, Jaunita Wagner.

Sola "Under the Stars" By four girls.

Rec. When Jesus was a little child, Marvin Thorn.

Song "In The Temple" By Mr. Butlers class.

Rec. The Savior and the Children Hester Thorn.

"Cradle Roll Reception"

Rec. "My live dolly" Corah Mae Lee.

Welcome to cradle rollers, by Frieda Wagner, Mildred Lee and Corrine Lindquist.

Song, "Greeting to the Babies" By Mrs. Davis class.

"Jesus Our Helper" By six pupils.

Song, "Children Helping" By Mrs. Smallwoods class.

Floral exercise, and Song, "Triumphal Entry" by five pupils.

Rec. Our gifts to the King, by Ruby and Jewel Mitchell.

Why we observe Childrens Day, by the Pastor.

Childrens Day offering.

Violin solo, Mrs. Lindquist.

"The Mission of Jesus as shown by his names" by 20 children.

Rec. Emma Davis.

Song, by Mrs. Bonds class.

Rec. "There is no King but Jesus" by Pauline Bond and Fieldon Cartter

Song "All Hail the power of Jesus name" by entire congregation. Benediction.

CITY COUNCIL WANTS BETTER SANITARY CONDITION BY JUNE 1

In regards to the sanitary regulation of the town. It seems that a large number of the citizens have a misunderstanding of the sanitary laws as adopted by the city council January 2, 1912. The ordinance reads that all closets must be properly screened by April 1st-1912 and cleaned twice a month in business sections and once a month in the resident parts of town and oftener when necessary, no offal of any kind is to be buried within the corporate limits.

We have so far been very lenient with those who have wholly disregarded this ordinance, however after June 1st-1912, we shall be compelled to enforce the ordinance pertaining to sanitary regulation to the fullest extent. All the citizens of the town should be willing to expend fifty cents or a dollar for the improving of public health and a few flies killed now may prevent millions of them in late summer, and if we want the reputation of having a clean and healthy town all should lend their efforts in keeping it sanitary and thereby perhaps exterminate that most dreaded of all other infections typhoid.

City Council

Judge Quimby Cross and his son (Bill) returned Friday from a visit with relatives in Pilot Point.

T. E. Powell, President,
T. B. Vestal, V. President,
Taylor Bond, Asst. Cashier,

J. A. Barr, Vice President,
S. F. Bond, Cashier,
R. Gray Powell, Asst. Cash.

The Farmers National ---BANK---

We Appreciate Business and Give Same prompt, careful attention.

Capital & Surplus \$30,000

AROUND ABOUT TOWN

J. M. Cofman says he will soon be 66 years old, and the trip to Galveston was the best he ever took

We are a little late this week. Our engine run away Wednesday, breaking several pieces which had to be ordered from Dallas. We didn't get it fixed until late Friday evening.

Ben D. Lee, the grain buyer, is installing his scales on the lot just north of the W. O. W. building, and preparing to buy the farmers grain. Ben is there with the Long Price to.

We understand Dr. Robertson will move up town and occupy the Butler building on east side of main street.

1 quart grape juice 50c McCord.

ANOTHER SHIPMENT

Of Good Luck Baking Powder to sell at 10c or 3 cans for 25c just received at The Racket Store.

The latest out Post Cards McCords.

Mr. Respass, of Cottonwood, was in town Friday.

HIGH GRADE BROOMS

4 Sewed Wire bound strong handles excellent value 35c. The Racket Store.

TITANIC WAIFS SAIL FOR HOME



OUR photograph shows Madame Navratil of Nice, France, and her two little boys, who were saved from the Titanic. The other day they all sailed for their home in France, and little Lolo and Monon—or Michel and Edmond, as they were christened—wept at leaving the kind friends who had cared for them in New York. M. Navratil was lost in the disaster, and his widow came over to reclaim her children.



Mr. Nichols, the regular conductor, has returned and is now on the Limited. Mr. Smith went to Waco.

Mr. Wheelis, the express messenger has been changed to a night run on the main line out of Waco. Mr. H. Nitenke takes his place on the Cross Plains branch.

W. A. Webb, general manager of the Texas Central railroad for the past thirteen months goes to Dallas, where he assumes the position of assistant to President Schaff of the Katy system, which means that he becomes the executive head of the Katy in Texas. Circulars announcing his appointment were given out from the general offices of the Texas Central.

An exhibit car containing products of Central West Texas will be parked in the yards of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway company today and tomorrow, and the public is cordially invited to visit it and see some of the things grown in that section of the state. The car is in charge of Rufus J. Lackland and will be taken over Texas, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Illinois, Iowa, Indiana and probably other states if the interest shown justifies it. Ft Worth Record

For 15 days only, will make you \$6.00 milk coolers for \$4.00 Bennetts Tin Shop.

TO THE FARMERS WHO HAVE GRAIN AND PEANUTS

I am prepared to thresh both grain and peanuts. I have went to considerable expense to prepare to do your work, and will appreciate your patronage. I bought a peanut thresher and also a regular Case grain thresher. My outfit is brand new, and of course will give absolute satisfaction. My outfit is now in the Bayou country, but I will get it back here in plenty of time to take care of all the grain in this neighborhood. Assuring you that I will appreciate your business I am yours truly. J. P. Cross, The thresher man.

The local congregation of the Baptist church have arranged for a revival meeting to begin the second Sunday in June. The meeting will be conducted by Rev. L. S. Smith of Texas. Rev. Smith is known to many Scott county people having lived in this country at one time, and he is considered among the best of revival workers. A large tent will be placed on the ground just south of the Baptist church for this purpose.—Waldron [Ark] Advance Reporter.

CROQUET SETS

4 Ball sets \$1.00, 8 Ball sets \$1.35. The Racket Store.

Last Wednesday morning J. W. Bennett, Mrs. Bennett and Mr. Bennetts sister, Miss Lela Bennett, were going out west of town several miles where Mr. Bennett was to do some tin work. Just the other side of Mr. Austins the horse started kicking, and as a result all three were injured. Mr. Bennett and Lela jumped out of the buggy, but the horse kicked Mrs. Bennett and broke her left leg just below her knee and bruised her in several other places. Miss Lela has both ankles sprained and is pretty badly bruised and cut. J. W. escaped with a few skinned places and a very bad scare. Mrs. Bennett and Miss Lela are resting very nicely at present.

FRUIT JAR RUBBERS

By the Wholesale and Retail at The Racket Store.

Mrs. J. P. Walker, who has been very low, is reported some better.

Pay cash for groceries and save money McCords Grocery Co.

Miss Sartor of Rotan was in town Wednesday night.

Mrs. A. H. McCord was in town Wednesday night. She had been visiting her father at Rising Star and was returning home.

Ice Cream Cones 5c McCords.

Miss Ellie Lummus, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. R. W. Elliott, left Wednesday morning for her home in Moran.

Eat Chili at The Tone.

Geo. Elliott, who has been visiting his brother R. W. Elliott, left Wednesday for his home in Walnut Springs.

Miss Lestie Cochran and Mr. Newton were married at Burkett last Sunday evening. Miss Cochran is the accomplished daughter of Mrs. Rose Cochran and Mr. Newton is one of our most progressive young men. We wish them much happiness.

June 17th

H. W. KUTEMAN,
Pres.

J. E. SPENCER,
V. Pres

VIRGIL HART, Cashier C. C. NEEB, Asst. Cashier

The Bank of Cross Plains

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Responsibility \$1,000,000

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS.

We invite you to open an account with us. All accounts whether large or small will be given careful attention. We want your business.

CROSS PLAINS REVIEW

BELMONT L. SHIELDS, EDITOR.

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FOUR ISSUES CONSTITUTE A MONTH

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS.

The Cross Plains Ball Team is a going bunch this year. With a little training we will have the swiftest team in Central West Texas.

The harvest time is on in the Cross Plains country. Our farmer friends are wearing the proverbial smile, and figuring up the profits they will make on the crop. Remember Cross Plains is THE grain market.

Wait just a minute. Now, all together: "All aboard south bound C. C. P. & R. C."—which being translated means "The Cisco, Cross Plains, Burkett and Coleman" Tickets please. Tickets.

Who comes nearer voicing really representative Democratic sentiment—the principles and policies that the Democrats of Texas want carried out—Jake Wolters, Morris Shepperd or C. B. Randall? It is a fair question. Think it over and then answer it.

In an adjoining town, while a ladies card club was playing for a \$2 prize, the sons of these same ladies, small boys, were arrested in a hay mow while playing for a 50c prize. They had organized a club like their mothers. The mothers cried and said: "What a terrible place is this town to raise boys, anyhow." Served them right. They might have known the difference between a hay mow and a parlor and a \$2 and a 50c prize.

Judge Blanton has announced in the Baird Bulletin, and now we don't see any long articles in that paper advising the people to vote against the "Jedge." Of course the "few paltry dollars" paid the Bulletin for announcing [\$10, ten] didn't cut any ice, because the Bulletin is above selling its space to be filled with such "dope."

After all, it does make some difference as to whose dog is being kicked around, dont it?

Again in the speedy sentencing of one of the Allens to death in the electric chair, the old State of Virginia has shown the country how she executes her laws and vindicates justice. If that particular Allen had been in custody in Texas he would not yet be anywhere near death. His lawyers would be just about ready to ask for a preliminary hearing before a magistrate, on habeas corpus, with a view to sending him to his mountain home on bail. The trial could come later—any old time when the lawyers all got ready—Waco Tribune.

A railroad from Cisco via Cross Plains to Coleman will pay. It would pass through Scranton, Sabanno, Liberty, Cross Plains, Burkett and a small town between Burkett and Coleman. It would connect Cisco, Cross Plains and Coleman, at Cisco it would connect with the Texas Central and the Texas & Pacific, at Cross Plains with the Texas Central, [and later the Cotton Belt] and at Coleman with the Great Santa Fe cut-off and San Angelo branch of the Santa Fe. Gasoline motor cars could be used, and we believe this could be made a very valuable piece of road.

A Kansas paper quotes every dollar in a man's pocket as saying to him: "If you will let me stay in this town I'll circulate around and do lots of good. You buy a big beefsteak with me and the butcher will buy groceries and the grocer will buy dry goods and the dry

goods merchant will pay his doctor with me and the doctor will spend me with the farmer for oats for his horse, and the farmer will pay his subscription to the local paper and the editor will pay for his last summer's trousers and buy a pair of socks. In the long run you see, I'll be more useful to you here at home than if you'd send me away forever."

The Old "Blue Laws"

Frequent mention is made of the "Blue Laws" of the early days in the New England states, and of the rules by which the puritans of the early days in our republic were governed. We secured a copy of these laws which are herewith reproduced. The laws or rules of any time or country is but the crystallization of the sentiment, the conditions, and the environment of the people who adopt and use them.

In these crude rules of conduct, the conditions that prevailed in the early history of our country is revealed, and from them to our present code is a revelation of progress and development.

"The Governor and magistrates convened in general assembly are the supreme power, under God, of the independent dominion. From the determination of the assembly no appeal shall be made.

No one shall be a freeman or have a vote unless he is converted and a member of one of the churches allowed in the dominion.

Each freeman shall swear by the blessed God to bear true allegiance to this dominion and that Jesus is the only king.

No dissenter from the essential worship of this dominion shall be allowed to give a vote for electing of magistrates or any officer.

No food or lodging shall be offered to a heretic.

No one shall cross a river on the Sabbath, but authorized clergymen.

No one shall travel, cook vituals, make beds, sweep houses, cut hair or shave on the Sabbath day.

No one shall kiss his or her children on the Sabbath or feasting days.

The Sabbath day shall begin at sunset Saturday.

Whoever wears clothes trimmed with gold, silver or bone lace, above one shilling per yard, shall be presented by the grand jurors and the select men shall tax the estate \$300.

Whoever brings cards or dice into the dominion shall pay a fine of \$5.

No one shall eat mince pies, dance, play cards, or play any instrument of music, except the drum or jewsharp.

No gospel preacher shall join people in marriage. The magistrate may join them as he may do it with less scandle to Christ's church.

When parents refuse their children convenient marriage, the magistrate shall determine the point.

A man who strikes his wife shall be fine 1 \$10

A woman who strikes her husband shall be punished as the law directs.

No man shall court a maid in person or by letter without the consent of her parents: \$5 penalty for first offence; \$10 for second; and for the third, imprisonment during the pleasure of the court.

At Presbyterian Church

The pastor will preach on "Christian faithfulness", after which, Holy Communion will be observed, and also we will have the election, ordination and installation of church officers, 8.30 P.M. again subject will be the "Simplicity of faith". Sunday school 10 A. M. Some special music a feature. Every body cordially invited to any or all of those services Geo. A Crane, Pastor.

For Sale:—2 lots with a 2 room house furnished, also cow with heffer calf, also one pig. Apply R. H. Coleman.

For Commissioner

In the announcement column we present the name of C. W. Bradley, of near Atwell, for Commissioner precinct No. 4. Mr. Bradley has lived in Callahan county about fourteen years. He believes in good roads. In fact he is a good roads enthusiast, and if elected he will do all in his power to provide good roads for the whole precinct. Mr. Bradley announces that if elected he will serve the people of the entire precinct, and will play no favorites.

Mr. Bradley has always been a Democrat in fact they call him a "daddy Democrat," and of course he announces subject to the Democratic primary in July.

W. V. Orr, who lives south of town, was in Friday morning and renewed his subscription to the Review. Mr. Orr is very optimistic about the crop prospects. He says the cotton and corn isn't needing rain very much yet. He thinks it is the hot winds and extremely hot sunshine that makes corn look a little wilted. He examined the ground in the corn field and found damp dirt right at the top. Mr. Orr thinks corn can go 10 days yet without rain, and still make a good crop.

For Commissioner

In this issue will be found the name of J. G. [Jack] Aiken, candidate for re-election Commissioner, precinct No. 4. Mr. Aiken has served the people of this precinct very faithfully and promises better things in the future. He has gotten familiar with the work connected with the commissioners office and desires a chance to continue to represent us at the County Capitol. He is a life-long Democrat, and announces subject to the primary in July. He asks your consideration.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to Action of Democratic Primary July 27, 1912

For District Judge,
Dallas Scarborough
Thomas L. Blanton

For County Judge,
Otis Bowyer
R. L. Alexander

For County Clerk,
Roscoe Surlis

For Sheriff,
F. F. (Felix) Rains
Clark Graham

For Tax Assesor,
T. L. Conway

For Treasurer,
C. W. Conner

For Public Weigher,
Martin Neeb, Precinct 6.
W. M. Gibbard
M. V. (Mart) Harlow

For Justice of Peace
John T. Gilbert
P. Smith.

For County Commission'r
Precinct 4.
C. W. Bradley
J. G. (Jack) Aiker.

The cold wet spring has made the crop prospects in this country very gloomy so far, very little cotton ready to chop and some not planted. Grain crops are very good where they have not been hauled out. Farmers are somewhat behind with farm work, but if the weather will stay dry a few days longer they will catch up. All in one the outlook is not encouraging.—Clyde Herald

FOR SALE IN SMALL TRACTS

The Well Known Oscar Gray Ranch Of 2300 Acres on Pecan Bayou

About 22 Miles Northeast of Coleman, 3 Miles Northwest of Burkett and 7 Miles South of Cross Plains Which is The Nearest Railroad Town.

Seventy-five per cent of this ranch is the very best tillable land, and the land that cannot be put in cultivation is exceptionally fine for grazing purposes. Pecan Bayou is a living stream which traverses this property, its waters abound with fish and its banks are lined with valuable pecan trees.

If you want to see an oat crop that will, according to the estimates of experienced farmers, yield not less than seventy bushels to the acre, which is now growing on this property and will be harvested within the next few days, we invite you to take a free ride with us in our automobile out to this magnificent property. Seventy bushels of oats, at fifty cents per bushel, if we mistake not, figures \$35.00. The greater part of this land will be sold at \$30.00 per acre. Is that cheap enough?

We have just completed the subdivision of this property, into 160-acre tracts, and urge you to see us at once if you want the pick of this land.

The prices are right, the terms are most liberal.

Geo. G. Murray & Company

Insurance and Abstracts.

COLEMAN, TEXAS.

"OUR BUSINESS IS ONE THAT PROTECTS."

German Coach Horse

The place of standing has been changed from J. T. Freeman's place W B Duncan's place 1 mile west of Dressy, where he will make the season. \$15 to insure living colt. All care taken to prevent accidents, but will not be responsible should any occur.

Mr. Duncan has plenty of grass and water for mares if you wish to leave them. Rate \$1 per month.

CROSS PLAINS GERMAN COACH HORSE CO.
W. B. DUNCAN, Manager.

ABANDON FIGHT ON FLOOD 1,000 REBELS LOSE LIVES

Hymelia Crevasse Will Flow Over Parts of Five Parishes.

New Orleans, La.: The fight to close the 2,250-foot Hymelia crevasse in the Mississippi levee, thirty-five miles up the river from New Orleans, was abandoned at noon Saturday, after a conference between Capt. C. O. Sherrill, chief of the United States Army engineers; President Manrila of the La Fourche levee boards; officials of railroads, whose interests are concerned and plantation and property owners affected.

This means that the yellow waters will be allowed to flow unchecked at the rate of 5,000,000 gallons each second of time over parts of five parishes, containing some of the richest sugar land in the State, before finally finding its way into the Gulf of Mexico.

It was estimated in the early fight that if the attempt failed, it would result in a loss of \$10,000,000. Many people in St. James, St. Charles, St. John the Baptist, La Fourche and Jefferson parishes would be rendered homeless, adding to the already thousands of refugees being cared for by the Government and State.

The gap is constantly crumbling before the swift current. Practically all cribbing erected by the engineers in an effort to check the flood has been carried away.

REVOLT STARTED IN CUBA.

Insurgents Loot Stores Owned by Spaniards and Fight with Guards.

Santiago, Cuba: Parties of armed negroes, headed by Gens. Estenoz and Invenet, are reported operating in the vicinity of El Caney, El Cobre and San Luis, and also at various points close to this city. The band led by Ivenet passed through the Firmesha property of the Juragua Iron Company, seizing a large number of horses and a quantity of explosives.

The authorities consider the situation serious, but refuse to give out news. At Sevilla and Ocaña the insurgents attacked and looted stores owned by Spaniards, who have protested to the Spanish Consul at Guasimas. An encounter is reported between insurgents and the rural guard at Yerba Guina, the guard losing two men killed and several wounded.

The strike of longshoremen has taken on a serious aspect, as it is impossible to load steamers, and the authorities can not give protection.

Big German Steamer Launched.

Hamburg: The biggest passenger vessel in the world, the Hamburg-American's Imperator, was successfully launched here with Emperor William as sponsor. The new vessel is expected to display 52,000 tons. An innovation of the Imperator—a lesson learned from the Titanic disaster—is an equipment of lifeboats that will provide for every passenger. There will be continuous wireless service.

New Veil Case.

To keep veils fresh and unwrinkled, a new case has been designed. It is made of silk and wadded to provide a soft surface for the perishable mesh. A round wooden stick the size of a broom handle, and about 24 inches in length, is overlaid with cotton wadding and covered with china silk. The ends are neatly drawn into a disk of the wadded silk. Dozens of veils can be wrapped around this soft form and kept in perfect condition, says the New York Herald. While the silk and wadding are being joined together, a little sachet powder may be applied to the inside.

Coat Blouses Now.

There are special coat blouses now, simple affairs with all the trimming massed on that portion of the blouse which shows in the opening of the coat front. The rest of the blouse is as plain as a man's shirt, but is of exquisitely fine material, with simple, set-in sleeves and buttons and buttonholes at the back.

GALVESTON PENINSULA MADE BY CAUSEWAY

GIGANTICE \$2,000,000 STRUCTURE IS FORMALLY OPENED.

15,000 VISITORS WERE THERE

Completion of Great Work Ties City to and Makes It Part of Texas Mainland.

Galveston, Texas: The opening of the massive causeway, costing \$2,000,000, bridging the two miles of Galveston Bay waters connecting the Treasure Island of America with the mainland of Texas, and which consumed more than two years in building, was made an event of history in the annals of a State that has upon many other occasions commanded the attention of the world.

Fifteen thousand men, women and children, making their homes and conducting commercial enterprises within the Galveston territory, journeyed to Galveston, manifesting their interest, their pride in the structure which not only gives to Galveston a magnificent and at all times safe means of ingress and egress, but stretches wide its welcoming arms to the people of the Lone Star State—a part of them, theirs.

May 25, 1912, is long to be a memorable day in the history of the city of Galveston, for it marked the completion and dedication of a work that has been the dream of Galvestonians for more than half a century; it marks the completion of three of the greatest and most costly protective works that the pluck, courage and ingenuity of engineering skill have given to mankind.

The seawall, stretching its protecting arms more than four miles about the gulf front of the city, the grade-raising operations in which life and property were made safe for all time to come, through the placing of millions of yards of filling, bring the city to an elevation of seventeen feet, and now the causeway, a massive structure of earth, reinforced concrete and steel, brings to Galveston the trinity of notable achievements.

NEW GOVERNOR IN OFFICE.

Luther E. Hall Takes Oath as Chief Executive in Louisiana.

Baton Rouge, La.: Gov. Luther E. Hall took the oath of office as Chief Executive of the State of Louisiana here Monday, former Gov. J. Y. Sanders retiring to private life. The inauguration ceremonies were attended by State House officers, members of the General Assembly, officers of the battleship Nebraska, in the harbor, and hundreds of citizens from every part of the State. There was no attempt at display, the ceremonies being simple. Chief Justice Breaux administered the oath of office. Lieut. Gov. Barret was also sworn in.

In his inaugural address Gov. Hall declared that the State is "passing through the greatest flood that has visited the Mississippi Valley since its settlement by civilized man," and referred to the fact that a large part of the most fertile lands of Louisiana have been overflowed.

He said the task of confining the flood waters of the entire Mississippi drainage district is an unnatural burden placed upon the people of Louisiana and declared himself in favor of complete control by the Federal Government of the construction and maintenance of the levees.

REPORT ON VALUE OF FORTS.

Figures Showing Cost of Fort Clark and Fort McIntosh.

Washington: In response to a resolution adopted by the House asking for information as to the value of the military posts to be abandoned at an early date, the War Department reported on the value of Fort Clark of Brackett, Texas, and Fort McIntosh at Laredo. The report shows that the land at Fort Clark cost the Government \$60,000; the building \$52,165; the water supply \$20,991. The total cost of Fort Clark, including the highway improvements, is \$133,748. The total present minimum value of the post is put at \$120,465 and the maximum value \$183,661. A note attached to the Fort Clark estimate says: "Judge Veltman, County Judge, states that the Southern Pacific Railway Company has offered \$200,000 for this reservation with water privileges." As to Fort McIntosh, the report shows that the Government got the land for \$1; that the buildings cost \$145,938; the water supply, including all improvements, has been \$224,028. The minimum value of the post is placed at \$238,600 and the maximum at \$290,600.

Ouster Suit Against Pierce.

St. Louis, Mo.: Suit to oust H. Clay Pierce, his son, Clay Arthur Pierce, and officers and directors in sympathy with them from the Waters-Pierce Oil Company and for an injunction to prevent exercising their functions as officers and directors was filed in the United States District Court by Harry M. Tilford of New York, a director of the Standard Oil Company. The suit is one of the many efforts of the Standard Oil Company to control the Waters-Pierce.

AMERICAN FLEET IS PREPARING FOR CUBA

INSURRECTION BRINGS ACTION BY U. S. GOVERNMENT.

12 WARSHIPS ARE MOBILIZING

Army Can Put 15,000 Troops on Transports for Dashing Campaign if Intervention Comes.

Washington: Insurrection and disorders in Cuba, which threaten the life and property of Americans and are believed by the United States to be spreading beyond control of the Cuban Government caused the American Government to take active steps in preparation to cope with any situation which may arise in the island Republic. Two divisions of the Atlantic battleship fleet were ordered to take on full quota of marines, making total of 1,300 in addition to 700 now enroute to Guantanamo on the Prairie and rendezvous at Key West, ready to move to Cuba at the instant their presence is needed. A dozen warships will be in the immediate vicinity of Cuba within a few days.

The army is prepared with an expeditionary force of 15,000 men if it is needed, and plans for a campaign to stamp out the rebellion prepared by the general staff are ready to be put in execution at the call of the President.

The insurrection and the serious labor troubles as a result of the renewal of the longshoremen's strike are believed to warrant American preparedness.

BELIEVES REVOLT SHORT LIVED.

Mexican Consul Says Rebel Trouble Can't Last Much Longer.

El Paso, Texas: Gen. Jose de la Luz Blanco, Federal and former Maderista, arrived in El Paso the first of the week en route to Hermosillo to take command of the Federal contingent in that State. The Mexican Consul gives the Orozco revolution just one more month to live. He says that Gen. Huerta will march to the city of Chihuahua as soon as the bridges are repaired.

"There will be no fight at Juarez," he says. "That is sure. The Government has a sufficient number of men in the State of Chihuahua to stop any attempt to come to the border and take the town. The railroad communication will be destroyed between Juarez and Chihuahua and the rebels will be forced to surrender."

WEST TEXAS MINERAL WEALTH.

Company Being Organized at Snyder to Develop Cement Deposits.

Snyder, Texas: Geologists are agreed that there are vast deposits of mineral wealth underlying West Texas regions. There are extensive deposits of asphaltum in the immediate vicinity of Snyder, and there are outcroppings of iron ore all over the northern part of Scurry County, and in the rougher regions of Kent, Borden and Garzo Counties. Besides these the discovery has been made of a field of cement clay, 300 acres in extent, near Justiceburg about twenty-five miles northwest of Snyder. There is also considerable deposit of chalk of a finer quality, said to be of a grade suitable for talcum powder. A company of which C. W. Post is a moving factor is being organized to develop these deposits and establish a cement factory.

Disastrous Fire at A. & M. College.

College Station, Texas: At 2 o'clock Monday morning a disastrous fire started in the main office building of the A. & M. College buildings. The structure was soon a mass of flames and seemed doomed to destruction at 3 o'clock. The origin of the fire could not be determined nor could the probable loss be estimated. The information was received over the telephone, the informant was subjected to severe heat from the nearby flames and abruptly cut the connection.

New Interurban Projected.

Fort Worth, Texas: The local representative of the Mercantile Trust Company of St. Louis, Dr. W. E. Brown, said five of the most responsible men in Fort Worth had agreed to organize a company for the building of a line of interurban railway from Fort Worth to Mineral Wells. The organization is to be effected Monday, when they will be prepared to take stock subscriptions. The Mercantile Trust will, under certain conditions, finance the road.

Early Vote in Lorimer Case.

Washington: Learning from Vice President Sherman that he had failed to induce Senator Lorimer to resign, the pro-Lorimer Senators laid plans to accede to the demand for an early vote on the Lorimer case. It is still hoped by these Senators that at the last minute, when the vote is impending and Lorimer's ejection hinges upon the mere formality of a roll call, that the Illinois Senator will reconsider his decision not to resign.

WILL YOU EVER NEED A

PIANO

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Whether You Will Ever Actually Need One or Not, Would You Like to have one if You Could Get it for Nearly Nothing?

In either case it will be to your interest to find out just what we have to offer in the way of new and 2nd hand pianos. We have them at prices from \$50.00 up and every one of them is worth more than we are asking for it.

If this is not exactly clear to you come in and we will explain, but come as soon as you can, else you will certainly miss something.

Come In And See Us

C. H. MAHAN
PIANOS

Baird, Texas.

Notary Public

Virgil Hart

Atty. and Counselor at Law

Land Titles Examined and Legal Documents Carefully Prepared.

Office At BANK OF CROSS PLAINS Cross Plains, Texas.

Dr. E.H. RAMSEY

DRS. RUMPH & RUMPH
PHYSICIANS & SURGEONS.

CROSS PLAINS, TEXAS

Phone No. 37.
Residence 39

DENTIST

OVER FARMER'S NATIONAL BANK

FRESH BREAD

I bake every day and always have Good Fresh Bread. Cakes and Pies all the time.

The CITY

An Individual Dinner Set FREE

To Everyone Who Trades at Our Store, We Are Going to Give a **Genuine Vienna Seven-Piece Imported Dinner Set**

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Poultry Pointers

Dr. S. P. RUMPH, Ed't.

The Cross Plains Poultry Association was organized last Saturday, May 25. Geo. Smallwood was elected Chairman, Dodd Price, Sec. and Treasurer, Dr. Rumph, Press Agent.

How to Begin in The Poultry Business

ARTICLE I.

A man's success in any calling is measured very largely by his ability. And whatever business a man enters success is the end desired. To reach the goal aimed at requires assiduous attention to all the details of that business, whether it be raising chickens or building battleships. Lack of this attention to details will produce failure in the poultry business just as surely as in all other lines of endeavor. Poultry raising is no mean industry and the many failures made in the poultry business are not due so much to the failure of good old mother hen as to the one who fails to give her the proper care and attention.

There is a Latin proverb which says 'Poets are born and not made.'

The successful poultryman must have an intuitive fitness for his work. He must possess an innate love for the animal kingdom and specially for the feathered tribe, for no animal responds more quickly to good treatment than does the hen. In her highest estate she is the work of man's developing powers and she recognizes the hand that has brought her from the jungles of Africa to the greatest producing power of the present age.

Certain get-sick-quick poultry systems have been diffusely advertised among us, and many with no previous knowledge or experience have followed their elaborate instructions and have undertaken the poultry business on an extensive scale from the very beginning. The result has been that in almost every instance they have made signal failures. Whether in the town or the country it seems best to begin on a small scale and make a careful and scientific study of the different phases of the industry.

In the poultry business an ounce of experience is worth a pound of book lore. But practical experience comes very slowly without the advice of more experienced poultrymen. Subscribe for some standard poultry journal at about fifty cents a year. You demand that your physicians and school teachers keep abreast with modern ideas and yet even these sciences are making no more rapid progress than the poultry industry.

Study from best sources the qualities of the various breeds of poultry and also observe their competitive popularity. Don't cling tenaciously to any breed simply because you now have them or have previously admired them. They may be a good breed but some other may be much better for your situation. Decide what phase or phases of the industry you will undertake and find the breed best adapted to your needs. If you intend to raise eggs for the market select a breed from the egg producing varieties the White or Brown Leghorns or some such chicken. Get the Indian Runner Duck if you have large range. If you want to raise broilers or friers select the Orpingtons or some similar breed. If you want eggs and meat get the Reds, the Wyandottes or some other utility breed. Then there are about two other phases of the industry and these appeal to the fancy and show purposes. For

"hatching eggs." To succeed in the latter phase means that you must succeed in the former. If chickens cannot make a favorable showing in a reputable poultry exhibition you have no reason to expect a good sale for "hatching."

Housing and other equipment for chickens should be given careful study. Chickens cannot roost in trees or poorly arranged houses and eat anything, everything or nothing and be producers of wealth. Continued.—G. S.

A hen's the most maternal bird that ever yet was hatched, for hovering and mothering, she surely can't be matched. The other day three brooding hens, who'd gone and "stole" their nests, "set" out the full allotted time, with divers fussy rests. When they came off each hen had hatched one single fluffy chick: for these they gan to cluck-a-cluck, and scratch and dig and pick. And each hen wanted tother's chick and they began to scrap, and ruffling up their feathered necks, their wings began to flap. And soon a battle royal was on, 'twixt those three birds—to fittingly describe it would take a mort of words. But one hen was victorious—she fought to beat the Dutch—and stalked away triumphant with the fluffy triune clutch.

W. T. Wilson of Dressy, was in town Monday evening to meet Mrs. Wilson. She had been visiting relatives at Jayton.

LOCALS

News of the week told quick

Little Miss Bessie Kelsey entertained several of her little girl friends Thursday afternoon, the occasion being Bessie's birthday. Refreshments were served and all the little ladies report a nice time.

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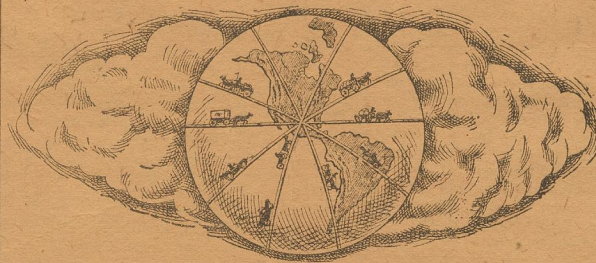
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Letter to Frank Bennett
Cross Plains, Texas.

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The answer is minus \$2.25 a gallon. That is: you could afford to paint with average paint if somebody gives it to you and pays half the painters wages.

Yours truly

F. W. Devoe & Co
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