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Fleeing From Korea.

Advices received at St. Petersburg from Korea say the feeling of panic is general there and a general depression prevades at all the seaports while massacres of foreigners are eventually apprehended. The Europeans are preparing to send their families to Shanghai. Every steamer from Japan, it is added, conveys to Korea many Japanese officers and soldiers and the presence of such numbers is regarded by the Russians as being the secret occupation of Korea. Sixty doctors left St. Petersburg during the last few days for the harbor in Manchuria.

W. C. Whitney Dead.

William Collins Whitney, former secretary of the navy, died in his home in New York Tuesday. He died while under the influence of ether, administered preparatory to a second operation for appendicitis. Mr. Whitney was in his 64th year.

Mr. Whitney was taken ill at the Metropolitan opera house and had to leave before the opera ended.

Drs. Walter and James, the Whitney family physicians, were summoned and found that the condition of the patient was such that after consultation an operation was decided upon. The patient rallied so well that it was fully believed that he would recover.

Mr. Whitney's condition was very grave, however, on Sunday and Monday, at a consultation held the conclusion was reached that the hope for the patient lay in the second operation, under which he died.

Electricity For Steam.

Plans have been made for the entire reconstruction of the New York Central roadbed for a distance of thirty-five miles from the city northward and the elimination of all the grade crossings on all the Harlem divisions. These have been submitted to the local authorities of Yonkers, Mount Vernon, Irvington, Tarrytown and Ossining. The local and the township authorities between the Harlem and Croton, on the main line, and White Plains, on the Harlem division, are also considering plans for the several sections of the railroad passing through their territory.

As soon as the necessary consents and agreements of the municipal, village and county officials are obtained the work of reconstruction will begin, which will include the laying of an electrical third rail system over or under all the street roads and highways now crossed at grade.

Two immense power houses equipped with steam turbines—one at Yonkers and one at Port Morris—will supply engines which will take the place of steam power.

Atlantic liners to the number of fifty have wireless telegraph apparatus to communicate with forty-eight land stations. Sixty British and twenty-four Italian war vessels are so equipped.

Henry Dorman, of Nevada, Mo., was 105 years old a few days ago, and he says he is the oldest soldier in the United States and that the War department so considers him. He fought in the war of 1812 and through the Civil war. He is said to be the oldest person in Missouri. He uses no cane to walk and is remarkably active.

Is Public Office A Family Cinch.

Recently Mr. McLemore charged state officials with nepotism he being asked by the Fort Worth Telegram to name the parties, and refers to the following:

S. W. T. Lanham, governor; Salary per year, \$4,000. Estimated yearly value of rent of governor's mansion \$1,200. Dr. Lanham, son of the governor, physician at A. and M. college; salary per year, \$1,800. Estimated value of quarters furnished Dr. Lanham, \$300. Fritz Lanham, son of the governor, stenographer to the governor; also enrolled as a student at the state university; salary per year, \$1,200.

Total received by the governor's family (including house rent) yearly from the state \$8,500.

John Robbins, treasurer; salary per year, \$2,500. R. Brown Robbins, son of treasurer, chief bookkeeper; salary per year, \$1,800. S. A. Robbins, son of treasurer, "one additional clerk;" salary per year, \$1,200. L. P. Robbins, nephew of treasurer, assistant bookkeeper; salary per year, \$1,200. L. E. Shelby, nephew of treasurer, examining clerk, school land department, \$1,300.

Total received by the state treasurer's family yearly from the state, \$8,000.

J. W. Stephens, comptroller; salary per year, \$2,500. A. D. Boone, son-in-law of comptroller, receiving clerk; salary per year, \$1,140. In addition, there are retained in this department three children of the deceased comptroller, each drawing a salary of \$1,100, \$3,300.

Total received by the comptroller's family and the family of the late comptroller, yearly from the state, \$6,940.

J. R. Curl, secretary of state; salary per year, \$2,000. Harry Curl, son of secretary of state, stenographer; salary per year, \$1,200.

Total received by secretary of state's family yearly from the state, \$3,200.

C. E. Gilbert, superintendent, appointed by Governor Lanham; salary per year, \$1,500. Elizabeth Gilbert, his daughter, bookkeeper; salary per year, \$900. A son of the superintendent drew a man's salary during the summer months as a day laborer, but is now attending school and his wages have ceased.

Total now received by the superintendent's family yearly from the state, \$2,400.

Grand total received yearly from the state by the families of the governor, state treasurer, comptroller, secretary of state and superintendent of buildings and grounds, \$29,040.

Mr. McLemore appends this note of explanation:

"Comptroller Stephens, it is true has but one of his own relatives in his department, yet it is a known fact that Mr. Stephens is filling an unexpired term and that it was the dying request of the late Comptroller Love that Mr. Stephens be appointed his successor so that no changes would be made in his official family."

The Telegram adds:

"It is well known that the policy of the democratic party in this state is against numerous members of families being unloaded on the state by those who are elected to office. The practice, however, appears to be much in evidence in Austin at

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the present. We are grateful to Mr. McLemore for his publication of the names.

"Now we want him to tell us who are the students who are attending the state university while drawing salaries from the state, and in whose department they are working. If there is but one, we want to know it. It may be that after awhile we will get to the bottom of this whole thing, and we want to tell the democratic party about it. If there is a man in office who ought not to be there, he should not be nominated."

We see it charged that the governor has one son taking a law course free at the University, while drawing a fat salary from the state.

Kirby Institutions In Receiver's Hands.

A considerable flurry in south Texas banks and lumber concerns was caused the first of the week by Judge McCormick of New Orleans appointing receivers for the Kirby Lumber Co. and Houston Oil Co., at the solicitation of the Maryland Trust Co., to whom the above concerns owed \$700,000. A run was made on the Mechanics National Bank at Houston, which Kirby is also interested in, but it only lasted one day, and it is thought that the interests of none of these institutions will suffer.

Of the Houston Oil company's capital stock of \$30,000,000, \$10,000,000 is preferred stock and \$20,000,000 common stock.

The property of the Kirby Lumber company consists of 18 lumber mills and mercantile stores, all in Texas, 142 miles of railroad, 700 cars, 55 locomotives, 240,000 acres pine land, logging outfits, tie and piling outfits, the largest and most complete in the United States.

This company's inventory of lumber on hand shows \$1,000,000 worth.

A dispatch from Yokohama announces the marriage there of George D. Morgan, nephew of J. Pierpont Morgan, to Miss Yuki Kato, a native of Japan. The young man has been traveling extensively since he left Yale ten years ago, and has resided in Japan two years.

The assayers who made the assays on ore from over seventy-five shafts in the mountains near Lawton, state under affidavit that the ore found assays on an average of about fifteen dollars to the ton.

Texans Lead in Inventive Geniuses.

The annual report of Commissioner of Patents F. I. Allen carries a table which shows the number of patents issued to each state and the proportion to the population.

Texas leads the southern states in invention, judged by this showing. Texas has issued during the year 434 patents, or a patent for each 7024 of people. The lowest in the list is Mississippi, with 70 patents, and 1 to each 22,161.

A Bosworth woman who is noted for her skill in the culinary art had some company for dinner the other day. When dessert was passed, one of the guests remarked upon the beautiful appearance of the pie, and inquired how she got such a pretty "scallop" on the edge. He nearly fell dead when she replied, "Oh, that is easy; I use my false teeth."—Bosworth Star-Sentinel.

The monthly circulation statement issued by the comptroller of the currency shows that at the close of business January 30, 1904, the total circulation of national bank notes was \$426,857,627, an increase for the year of \$42,884,081, and an increase for the month of \$1,694,609. The circulation based on United States bonds amounts to \$368,657,351, an increase for the year of \$47,686,792, and an increase for the month of \$384,108.

A fire started in Phoenix building in the wholesale district of Knoxville, Tenn., Tuesday and did \$400,000 worth of damage, and W. F. Lacy, captain of a hose wagon company, and J. J. Dunn, a fireman, were killed.

Grant Gillett, the former cattle plunger, has invited a committee of his creditors to visit him in Mexico, where he will propose a plan of settlement. He has sent a check to cover the committee's expense.

Portales, New Mexico, is building rapidly. A \$10,000 court house has been commenced, \$5,000 is to be expended for an artesian well and a gin is to be built and it is claimed that 3000 acres of cotton will be planted around there.

Miss Kate Moriarity, a society belle of Springfield, Mass., is dead as a result, according to a physician's statement, of too heavy pressure by corset stays.

The Christian Scientists of Sherman have purchased a lot and will erect a church edifice.

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RUSIA and Japan are still waiting for the other to strike the first blow.

THE cigarette smoker and blood and thunder story reader has made a start for perdition. All of them may not get there, but many of them do. Four young boys of this kind murdered a merchant and robbed his store at Buffalo, N. Y., Wednesday.

It is thought now that Texas cattle will be admitted for exhibit at the World's Fair. They have been ruled out, owing to quarantine regulations.

One day the dispatches say war, the next peace is in sight, in referring to the Russia-Japan dispute. Both continue to make preparation for war, though, while sparing.

The county judge of Erath county refuses to approve the saloons license in that county until the motion for a rehearing in the Cooke county case is overruled by the court of criminal appeals.

Cotton took a slump Tuesday and the price in New York fell seven and a half dollars per bale. It was reported that the leading bull speculator had disposed of his holdings and would quit the market and prices went to pieces.

Alvo Bryan, the man shot at a resort in Amarillo ten days ago by T. L. McQueen, a ranger, died Tuesday. The next legislature will certainly do a good turn if it will abolish this state-paid set of sports. There is not a county in the Panhandle but what can be kept in the best of order, so far as peace and safety is concerned, by any sheriff who will half do his duty. From what we can learn, such resorts as the one where the above shooting took place, is patronized more by the rangers than any other class.

George Lewis filed suits at Victor, Col., Tuesday aggregating a million dollars. Governor Peabody and the commanders of the militia in the Cripple Creek mining district are the defendants. The suits grew out of the recent military occupation of the district.

An average of fourteen railway collisions a day is the record in the United States last year, as shown by the report of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

The debt on Zion city at this time aggregates about one-third of a million dollars.

John D. Rockefeller has resigned as a director of the United States Steel corporation.

The most disgusting thing is the boy or grown up individual who can not talk on the streets or in company of men without using oaths at every breath. If boys and men given to such a nauseating habit could only stand by and hear how weak and unutterably cowardly it sounds, they wouldn't open their mouths in conversation again until they had cured themselves. Such profanity is altogether inexcusable and those guilty of such should "cut it out." They should increase their vocabulary of clean expressive words and terms and leave off these worn out and disgusting oaths.—Flatona Record.

Joseph L. Loving, son of the late Geo. B. Loving of Fort Worth, suicided at that place Thursday.

Mayor Carhart has had the fire ladders repaired and painted and placed in convenient positions.

Game Confiscated.

A shipment of 16,000 quail was confiscated this week at Enid, Oklahoma, by Deputy Game Warden Shaffer, and is now in the hands of the court awaiting further orders.

It was consigned by an Okeene Oklahoma produce company to the Chesten Produce company of St. Louis, packed in seventy barrels, boxes and egg cases.

The warden suspected something wrong and secured a warrant to search the car. The territory has recourse under the law against the railroad as well as the shipper, the fine going to the common school fund.

The working board of the American Cattle Growers' Association has just held a meeting at the office of the secretary in Denver, and has decided to call a convention of the association in that city March 16 and 17, during which time the Colorado Cattle and Horse Growers' Association holds its annual convention. There seems to be a general feeling among cattlemen that they should get together this spring and talk the matter of a National Cattle Growers' Association over. As matters now stand cattlemen generally seem very much at sea, and it is expected that this convention will result in very materially clearing the atmosphere. As the regular date of the proposed meeting would have conflicted with the date of the annual Texas meeting it was decided to call this meeting one week later. The official call will be issued as soon as the executive committee approves it.

The reports indicate that probably 450,000 persons have qualified to vote in so far as the payment of poll tax is concerned, and these, with the city and country exemptions, which latter are not required to procure exemption certificates, indicate a total voting strength of about 540,000. Assuming that there would be 700,000 qualified voters in the State but for the disfranchisement resulting from failure to pay poll tax—and this estimate seems liberal—it appears that probably not more than 160,000 persons, or less than 25 per cent, disfranchised themselves by failing to meet the poll tax requirement.—Dallas News.

Don't confound the poll tax amendment with the Terrell election law. The Terrell election law is a creature of the legislature, while the poll tax amendment is a constitutional amendment, and what many of you voted for.—Ex.

Childress.

Machinist Verplank quit last Saturday and went to Chickasha.

The force at the round house and shops was cut about 25 per cent yesterday.

The Denver has let the contract to raise the dam, at the railway lake, seven feet higher, and to extend the base. Work is to begin at once.

Frank French, foreman of the machine shops, resigned last Sunday and was succeeded by J. C. Phillips. Round house foreman, Caldwell, resigned at the same time and was succeeded by H. C. Dolittle.

Beinger, Reynolds & Co., of Boulder, Col., have the contract to sink the deep well. They are now here and at work putting up the derrick and other machinery. They expect to commence drilling about the 15th, and will run two gangs, working day and night.

An old gentleman who keeps abreast the times said to us this week, "Keep your paper coming to me, it gives all local news and a good synopsis of the general news, the style of which I like."

STATE NEWS.

There are 161 disqualified voters in Hardeman county.

An effort is being made to again place the state fair at Dallas on its feet.

Clinton J. Farrell has been appointed postmaster at Vernon by the president.

Four fine horses were burned to death at a training stable near the Dallas fair grounds.

It is claimed that the Standard Oil Co., is having test wells put down in the Henrietta oil field.

W. G. Bray, a Fort Worth barber, was fined \$1,000 and given two years in jail for beating his wife.

A barn, 500 bushels of corn and a wagon belonging to A. B. Mays, west of McKinney, burned Monday night.

A barn, lot of feed, vehicles and two valuable horses were burned on the place of W. Morse & Co. at Taylor.

Alex McDonald is dead as a result of injuries received by being struck by a switch engine in the Katy yards at Denison.

A girl baby, four days old, was left at the door of J. S. Green at Childress Saturday night by unknown parties. It was adopted by G. F. Mullins and wife.

Frances, the three year old girl of Mrs. Jeff Davis at Forney, was burned to death Wednesday as a result of playing in the fire.

In the number of cattle Texas equals that of all the States east of her and south of the Ohio and the Potomac, while the value of her stock exceeds theirs by more than \$36,000,000.

Prof. Aultry, who is teaching Five Points school in Ellis county, was seriously cut in the face Thursday by a pupil whom he was chastising. The wounds are not considered dangerous.

The residence of John P. Easterly, living about five miles north of Kemp, burned Tuesday. His family barely escaped from the flames and not a piece of furniture or other property was saved.

The residence of Mr. J. D. Layfield was burned at Justin Tuesday night with its contents. Two of little girls were burned to death; the mother is not expected to live, and the other children were burned badly. Mr. Layfield was absent.

S. M. Satterfield of Henrietta has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities \$5,390.47, assets \$6,363. The largest creditors are the National Loan and Investment Company of Detroit, Mich., \$1,058.40, and the Farmers National Bank of Henrietta, \$3,016.80. Exemptions claimed \$3,085.

Blossoms From Gethsemane.

Flowers from the Holy Land will be one of the interesting features that may be seen in the biblical botanical department at the World's Fair. The display will be novel, differing from the American florists' exhibits, in that all specimens are pressed and dried.

A curious thing about the flora of Palestine, says S. P. Forest, who will have charge of the display, is that while the wild flowers grow in the greatest profusion, domestic flowers can not be cultivated there. The flowers now are therefore just the same as they were 1900 years ago and are the same as those which our Savior saw.

The blooming season in Palestine lasts only from January to May, and in that trying climate the delicate blossoms wither and shrivel so quickly that the greatest expedition is necessary to press and dry them.

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The rules for the competition are as follows:

1. Selections must be in writing enclosed in an envelope addressed to 'Mr. Walter B. Stevens, World's Fair Grounds, St. Louis, Mo.' and bearing on its face the words "Point of View."
2. No charge is made for entrance to the competition, and no qualification of color, creed, nationality, age, sex or habitation is exacted of the competitor.
3. Each person may make but one selection.
4. The point selected must be on the ground level, and the view must be in one stated direction.
5. The point must be fixed so that the judges may locate it within 10 feet, for instance: "Looking south from the top step of the base of the Louisiana Monument, directly under the southern, central sculpture group."

The decision as to the best selection will be made June 15, 1904, by three judges: David R. Francis, President of the Exposition, Walter B. Stevens, Secretary of the Exposition, and S. M. Kennard, Vice Chairman of the Committee on Grounds and Buildings.

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RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Baptist, Every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. W. L. Skinner, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday night.

M. E. South, services every Sunday—Rev. G. S. Hardy, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Junior Epworth League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m. every Sunday.

Catholic, St. Mary's Church—Rev. D. H. Danno, pastor. Sunday services: Mass at 10 a. m.; Sunday school after mass. Events: services at 7:30. Services every Sunday except and

SOCIETIES.

I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 381, meet 1st and 3rd Thursday nights each month in 3rd story of courthouse. Visiting brothers made welcome. D. E. Fosky, N. G.

M. LOSENFELD, Sec'y.

W. O. W., Woodbine Camp No. 476—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall every Friday evenings. Visiting choppers invited. ED KIZER, C. C.

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A. F. & A. M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 700, meets 2nd Friday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. JAMES TRENT, W. M.

R. A. CHAMBERLAIN, Sec.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, No. 216 R. A. M.—Meets the first Friday night in each month at 8:30 o'clock. Visiting companions cordially invited. W. H. BRADON, H. P.

JAS. TRENT, Sec.

K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 90. Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights in every month in their Castle Hall, in Johnson's Hall. Visiting Knights cordially invited.

F. A. WHITE, K. of R. S.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, ORDER EASTERN STAR.—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday each month at 7:30 p. m. in Masonic Hall over Bank of Clarendon. MRS. FLORENCE TRENT, W. M.

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No. 1. Mail and Express..... 8:47 p. m.
No. 7. Passenger and Express..... 7:15 a. m.

SOUTH BOUND.

No. 2. Mail and Express..... 7:15 a. m.
No. 8. Passenger and Express..... 9:30 p. m.
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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

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Mrs. W. H. Meador is visiting relatives in Memphis.

W. B. Ware is spending today in Fort Worth on business.

Lee Son returned Wednesday from his business trip to Dallas.

Dr. F. T. Denson will preach tomorrow at the Christian church.

The regular session of Commissioner's court will convene Monday.

Do you like to laugh? Then attend the old Maid's convention tonight.

Just received a big shipment of harness plow goods, etc., at Rutherford & Collins'.

Mis Kitty Jones went to Memphis last night for a few days visit to her parents.

N. F. Peters has opened up a sewing machine office in Rutherford & Collins' saddle store.

Miss Elizabeth Martin returned home Wednesday evening from her extended visit to Tenn.

T. W. Scott has returned to his work at Dallas after a month's visit here with his mother, Mrs. Scott.

Attorney O'Neal went to Fort Worth last night to argue the Morgan road case before the court of appeals.

W. P. McKenzie from Alanreed spent yesterday in town. He says his town is coming out of the kinks and building rapidly.

There will be a box supper and valentine party by the ladies of the Baptist church at the residence of R. C. Moss Friday night Feb. 12. Every body invited.

W. R. Claunch won a damage suit against the Southern Kansas and A., T. & S. F. roads this week in justice court for \$93 as damage to a shipment of trees.

Jess Hudgins came in from Elida, N. M., Wednesday night and will spend a month or two here. He says it is very dry and not much doing over in New Mexico. He also says his mother at Fort Worth, upon whom a surgical operation was recently performed, is improving.

W. E. Reeves and B. W. Johnson have bought out H. F. Dunn at Rowe. Rowe has more voters, more farmers and more school children than any other community in the county except Clarendon and it should make a good trading point. We have not learned what Mr. Dunn will now do.

F. A. Dubbs furnishes us with the following list of new officers in Panhandle Lodge K. of P.: J. M. Clower, C. C.; C. W. Bennett, V. C.; N. F. Peters, P.; Harry Patton, M. W.; F. A. White, M. A.; F. A. Dubbs, K. of R and S.; A. M. Beville, M. F.; D. W. Johnson, M. E.; J. H. Kelley, I. G.; J. L. Williams, O. G.

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The Old Maid's convention, will appear at the opera house tonight.

Rich McElreath of Memphis was in town yesterday. His daughter who is here in college is having a siege of lagrip.

F. B. Rudolph and wife were in yesterday from across Salt Fork and were the guests of J. N. Edkins and wife.

Vital statistics filed are, births: W. F. Manny and wife Jan. 7 a girl. H. S. McFarland and wife Jan. 12 a boy. L. F. Gregory and wife Jan. 14 a girl. James Smith and wife Feb. 4 a boy.

Deeds filed for record since last issue are, B. W. Chamberlain and wife to E. Patton 260 acres of sec. 94, block C 6, consideration \$1430. Same tract, E Patton and wife to B. J. Grimes, consideration \$575.

T. J. Davis returned Thursday night from Quanah, where he has been filling the place of extra telegraph operator. He now has the permanent job of night operator here, which gives us pleasure to report, as he has bought a home in Clarendon, is a good operator and is a genial, around business man. A Springfield, whom he succeeds, has been sick and left last night for Fort Worth.

The Odd Fellows went through with some special work Thursday night and the following Silverton parties were present to take it in: T. P. Craig, Will Strickland, Jim Burson, J. M. Craig, Chris Seaman, C. L. Craig, R. J. Robertson, Attorney Shrewsbury and Mr. Journey. They were all pleased with the work and with their reception. A fine supper was served at the close of the work.

The city council at its last meeting received and approved the report of Collector Patman, allowed all bills due and is out of debt and has some money on hand. A committee was appointed to confer with the electric light management in regard to street lights and report to a call meeting. Mayor Carhart recommended that a fire plug or two be put in and some hose be purchased; also that horses be forbidden to run at large within certain city limits. The council has the recommendations under consideration.

We have finished up an order for 20,000 checks for the First National Bank here this week, in neat books of 50 each, or 200 books; also 50 check books for the Esteline Supply Co. This is an indicator that the above firms "do business," as well as that THE CHRONICLE does job work. We also have an order for 10,000 circulars. But we are not overdone, send in your orders, we'll fill 'em.

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College Clatter.

O. T. Warlick returned Tuesday night.

Frances Curry was visited Wednesday by her brother from Colorado. He went on to Quanah Wednesday night.

The addition to the boys dormitory is progressing rapidly.

The dormitories have been converted into hospitals this week. Prof. and Mrs. Kennedy are both sick and all of the boarding pupils who are not sick are pressed into nurses. It is only an epidemic of la grippe and we expect them all to be up soon. Prof. V. K. Wedgworth, V. H. Trammell, George Harris and Miss Effie Ferguson are teaching in Prof. and Mrs. Kennedy's places.

Last Sunday at Memphis Frank Wright fell from a windmill at Dr. Temple's and broke his leg.

More Denver Changes.

There is a well-defined and apparently authentic rumor in railroad circles to the effect that J. D. Welsh, superintendent headquarters, has resigned to accept service with the Colorado Southern at Denver, and that J. E. Rathbone, trainmaster of the Denver, has also resigned. It is also stated that these positions will not be filled, but that instead the offices will be abolished. Instead of having a superintendent at Childress, two assistant superintendents will be appointed. One of these will have charge of the Denver north of Childress, and the other will have charge of the Denver south of Childress. Both will have headquarters in Childress. No trainmaster will be appointed, the duties of that position being assigned to the general superintendent's force and the forces of the two assistant superintendents. It is also rumored that G. W. Roarke, at present trainmaster of the Santa Fe, has been tendered the appointment of assistant superintendent of the southern division, and that he has accepted the position. Who will be appointed assistant for the northern division can not be learned, nor are there any rumors on the subject.

In the event these rumors are true, no surprise will be occasioned. In fact, there have been rumors afloat for the past six weeks to the effect that Mr. Welsh would return to the Colorado Southern, where he was trainmaster before he accepted service with the Denver.—Ft. Worth Record.

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An object lesson, showing the effects and expensiveness of the postal money order system, was given a few days ago to several members of the House Postoffice Committee by Capt. Henry A. Castle, Auditor for the Postoffice Department.

Mr. Castle first conducted his visitors to the "Auditor's Library," as it is called. Here are 7,000 loose-leaved binders, each making a volume larger than the largest counting-house ledger, and weighing fifteen pounds. These 7,000 binders are filed annually, with postmasters' statements of money orders issued and paid, which are sent to the Auditor's office with the 46,000,000 money orders issued annually, as vouchers.

The party next visited the "Machine Room," where scores of high salaried clerks were operating adding machines which verified the additions of the money order statements sent in by postmasters. More than 150,000 orders are daily handled in this room.

The visitors then went to the "round table" room, where other clerks were distributing an average of 150,000 money orders daily. The orders are thence taken (and the party followed them) to forty desks, where nimble-fingered operators, mostly young women, separate them by towns in each State, arranged alphabetically.

The money order vouchers are now ready to be checked with the accounts of the issuing postmaster, and thirty-five expert clerks were found doing this. From the checkers the money orders are tied in bundles, properly labeled and filed in the archives of the Auditor's office for seven years, as required by law. The postmasters' statements, constituting the accounts, are filed in the loose-leaf binders as described, and are ready for entry in the ledgers of the bureau where the accounts are kept. The 7,000 volumes of the statement are preserved also for a term of seven years.

The effect of the visiting Congressmen was startling. They learned also that the majority of orders are for less than \$2.50 each. For their issue third and fourth-class postmasters get the entire fee of 3c. First and second-class postmasters employ high-salaried clerks for this work, and the cost to the service is still greater. The paying of the orders, the bookkeeping, and the transmitting of them to Washington, entail a heavy outlay for salaries, without a penny of compensating revenue; so that, in addition to the loss of time, in going to the postoffice, applying for money orders, and awaiting their issue, is this additional pecuniary loss to the Government.

When the tour of the office had been ended the visitors asserted that Congress should, without delay, adopt some plan whereby this expensive and burdensome work could be reduced, or, at least, its enormous growth discouraged.

The remedy for much of this evil lies in the adoption of the post check plan, as post check currency would require no auditing. The bill embodying this plan is now before the House Committee on Postoffices. A favorable report on

it is expected at an early day, and it is hoped that favorable action by the House will not be long delayed. —Dallas News.

WORLD'S FAIR NOTES.

World's Fair Press Bureau.
A car load of exhibits and Oriental furnishings for the beautiful Ceylon pavilion at the World's Fair reached St. Louis a few days ago. The shipment was from Colombo, Ceylon, via New York. Nevada's state mineral exhibit, which has an approximate value of \$70,000, will be exhibited. In addition there will be a number of valuable private cabinets shown.

The blizzard which struck St. Louis Jan. 25 caused all the outwork to cease for a short time. This was the first day this winter that work out of doors was impracticable. Work of installing the exhibits inside the big buildings was not seriously interrupted.

The big flag staff for the House of Hoo-Hoo reached the grounds this week. The timber is 60 feet long and 12 inches in diameter at the base. The House of Hoo-Hoo is built entirely of wood and is intended to form a museum of the lumber products of the United States as well as a handsome club house for lumbermen.

Reports from St. Michael, B. C., are to the effect that the well preserved body of a mammoth has been found by Indians in a glacier near that point. Charles Runner, a hotel proprietor at Skagway has organized an expedition to investigate the report. An effort will be made to exhibit the find at the World's Fair. The body is said to be 20 feet high and the tusks more than a foot thick. The only other complete specimen ever obtained is now in St. Petersburg.

The Summer Naval School of Northwestern Military Academy, at Highland Park, Ill., will visit the Fair the latter part of June or the first part July. The pupils will be in charge of Maj. Davidson, Commandant of Cadets. The pupils will be in naval uniform, and will go by way of the Canal and the Illinois and Mississippi rivers, studying the history of those valleys en route. Especial attention will be devoted to that portion of history that bears on the Louisiana Purchase.

Biograph views of 40,000 San Francisco school children will be a unique feature of the San Francisco educational exhibit. The plan proposed is to line the pupils up on Van Ness Avenue, which is smoothly paved, and with the camera mounted on automobile, ride rapidly past and take moving pictures of all of the children.

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