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Territory Frauds.

Suits have been filed at Muskogee on the part of the Government acting for the Creek Nation, charging conspiracy to defraud the Government.

The suits are against Commissioner Tams Bixby, Leo E. Bennett, United States Marshal; the Commercial National Bank, the First National Bank, N. F. Hancock and a score of prominent citizens of Muskogee, Tulsa and Wagoner.

The charge is that the defendants had lots scheduled to dummies, that it had lots scheduled to persons and defendants paid the appraised Government valuation and then had the lots deeded back to them by the dummies without considerations.

The lots scheduled in this way cost those who secured them but 50 per cent of the regular appraisal and the fraud comes in the practice of thus scheduling lots in excess of what the law allowed the defendants to hold.

Commissioner Tams Bixby is charged with illegally securing title to the block on which is now located the printing plant of the Muskogee Phoenix. Doctor F. B. Fite and N. F. Hancock are charged with scheduling lots to their children and then having the lots deeded back without consideration.

The fact that the Government has at last shown its hand in a vigorous prosecution of these cases, has created a tremendous sensation in the Government towns of the Creek Nation.

Jap Anti-American Feeling.

In the opinion of the state department the most serious consequence of the present anti-American agitation in Japan is inevitable and delay will be caused by it in the successful conduct of negotiations pending for a conclusion of the new treaty between the two countries. There is a possibility that the continued reiteration of charges and counter charges will ultimately lead to an estrangement of the two peoples.

The state department points out that Japanese owners of restaurants and both houses wrecked by mobs in San Francisco can secure damages by application to the courts. This is likely to be done. The Japanese embassy in Washington has sent Mr. Hanihara to San Francisco to report on the case. Viscount Aoki is also going to San Francisco in the near future.

Eleven Tons of Bonds.

The New York, New Haven and Hartford railway Co. recently borrowed \$29,000,000 from France and the French required bonds of \$100 denomination, in which eleven tons of paper was used and the engraved plates weigh 2,000 lbs. The 290,000 bonds will require the written signature of both the secretary and registrar on each one.

Senator John Tyler Morgan of Alabama, for thirty years a member of the upper house of congress, chairman of the senate committee on inter oceanic canals and prominent as a brigadier general in the Confederate army, died at his home in Washington Tuesday night. Senator Morgan had been in bad health for a number of years but had more or less regularly attended the sessions of congress.

Indian Inspector J. George Wright was appointed commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory in place of Tams Bixby. His appointment takes effect July 1. Mr. Wright originally was from Chicago, but he has been in the Indian service since 1883 and for the past eleven years has been an Indian inspector.

Will Fight Two-Cent Fares.

Western railroad presidents at a conference in Chicago Tuesday decided to contest the 5-cent fare laws in five States—Illinois, Nebraska, Iowa, Missouri, and Arkansas. Following this decision, the passenger representatives of all western railroads agreed not to grant any reduced rates for any occasion until the two fights have been concluded. The passenger men were presented with a letter written by secretary Mosely or the interstate commerce commission to the Central Passenger association, stating that the proposed National Educational association rates in effect is illegal and cannot be tolerated.

Officers of the association will endeavor to have the ruling changed as they declare that the life of the organization depends on it.

Roosevelt's Vacation.

There were many callers at the White House Tuesday to say good bye to the president who left Wednesday for his summer home at Oyster Bay. According to present plans the president will not return to Washington until September, making it the longest vacation at Oyster Bay he has ever had there. It is his hope and desire, as expressed to some of his intimate friends who called, to have a quiet summer, and to do only the work necessary to keep the wheels of the government going smoothly. He will stay outdoors as much as he can, with the object of recuperating from the hard winter he has had. There will be some political conferences during the summer, but the president's plans now are to let politics alone.

Northwest Exposition.

With impressive ceremonies ground was broken June 1 for the Alaskan-Yukon Pacific Exposition which will be held in 1909, opening just two years from date. The day was a holiday.

Seattle presented a gala appearance, and amid the blare of trumpets, the marching of a military pageant inspiring speeches and banqueting, the inauguration of active work on the Pacific World's Fair was celebrated.

Six Thousand Steel Cars.

A contract for the construction of 6,000 steel cars, at a cost of \$6,500,000 has been placed within forty eight hours by the United States steel corporation. This is one of the largest orders for steel products and the largest for steel cars that has been placed since steel car construction has been an industry of Pittsburg. To fill the orders about 90,000 tons of steel plates will be required.

The amount of good advice given these days to young men and women in the baccalaureate addresses would, if followed in individual life, result in making a paragon of each graduate. Of course, not all of it would be followed, but we are sure that the excellent moral advice given, supplementing as it does, the intellectual training received during years of study, is of great value in strengthening the character and thereby helping young people in their life work.—Bethany Democrat.

Engineers say there is doubt whether there will be enough water to fill the Panama Canal. Well, if there proves not to be just let the government turn it over to a corporation, they will soon issue watered stock enough to fill it and flood the surrounding country.

Some people have an absurd notion that unless they are always gabbling they will be considered dull.—Atchison Globe.

If you want Cold-tire work go to E. A. Taylor's shop.

Divorce in America.

Society protects itself from epidemics of smallpox and cholera; it should adopt some safeguard against marriages that shall burden it with generation after generation of physical weaklings, moral degenerates and criminals. Experts tell us that one-half of the insane now confined in the asylums have hereditary tendencies to insanity. We cannot tolerate the Spartan law of exposing weakly children, but we ought to protect ourselves by preventing improper marriages and by putting an end to such improper marriages as become a menace to society. The success of the Jews as a race is largely due to their regulation of marriage. Some of the higher class in Brazil, by self-imposed rule, require the proposed spouse to present the certificate of a physician that he is not afflicted with certain diseases. Recently a women's congress at Paris voted to require such certificates as a protection to their daughters. In America we need more of the English idea that marriage is a life settlement, in which parents and guardians should play a larger part. If this idea prevailed, we should have fewer homes in which such scenes are enacted as those that have been rehearsed under oath upon the witness stand.—Ex.

STATE NEWS.

Childless independent school districts shows 637 scholastics.

Friday of last week 483 notaries public took oath of office in Dallas.

Sherman is shipping some twenty cars of new potatoes this week, which are bringing from 60 to 75c.

In the election held for prohibition in Coke county on June 8 prohibition carried by two-thirds majority.

At Paris Tuesday night Col. R. Peterson, 75 years of age, a wealthy capitalist, married Miss Stella Pittsburg, 19 years old, his stenographer.

Mrs. S. C. Butts, wife of the editor of the West Times, was run over by a switch engine Wednesday and so badly mangled that she cannot survive.

An epidemic of measles prevails at Buckner Orphans' Home near Dallas, one hundred and fifty of the inmates being afflicted. There have been no fatalities.

A heavy rain, accompanied by hail, fell at Plano Monday. Some of the hailstones weighed three-quarters of a pound and measured 1 1/2 inches in circumference.

Fred Barr and Henry Reeves, who pleaded guilty to burning the granary of L. W. Roper at Cleburne on May 2, were given five years each in the reformatory.

W. C. Ryan has been appointed traveling freight agent of the Rock Island, with headquarters at Amarillo. He succeeds R. R. Seeds, who will go into business for himself.

Governor Campbell has pardoned John Akin, the convict who escaped from Huntsville penitentiary twenty-four years ago, and who came from Hot Springs and voluntarily surrendered to the authorities.

During a heavy rain Monday a farmer, living twelve miles east of Detroit named Jim Pittman, had his house struck by lightning, killing him and fatally wounding his wife, who was in the room with him.

What will we eat.
When dollar wheat
Sends flour so high
We cannot buy.

—Kyle News.

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E. A. TAYLOR.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

PRESIDENT'S TRAVELING EXPENSES.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 10—When Congress appropriated \$25,000 for the traveling expenses of the President there was long and spirited debate as to whether that amount would cover the expense of his travels or on the other hand if it might not be more than required. With the close of the fiscal year now near at hand it is possible to make a calculation of the probable yearly traveling expense of the President. This has not been one of his busiest years in the traveling line but he has made a number of trips, that is as many as he wanted to make and he has traveled in good style, if not in the splendor of the old days when he was traveling at the expense of the railroads; and when he has concluded the trip to Jamestown which he will take this week, the total expenditure for his year's traveling will be less than eight thousand dollars. It is true that his trip to Panama which was the most extended and most expensive of the year was made on a war ship and consequently the amount did not come out of his jaunting allowance but it will be seen that the twenty-five thousand is likely to prove an adequate amount for the most restless President we may have.

BRYAN'S VISIT.

Mr. Bryan made a flying visit to Washington this week. He was accompanied by his wife and daughter and the visit was said to be simply a social one and the fact that he stopped with old friends in the southwestern part of the city bore out the explanation but, nevertheless, Mr. Bryan put in a busy day with some prominent democrats who happened to be here. He had a long talk with the manager of the National Press Bureau and formerly manager of Mr. Bryan's campaign bureau and with ex-Senator James K. Jones former chairman of the democrat national committee. He also gave out a number of interviews to newspaper men.

JAP WAR TALK.

It appears that we have no sooner quieted the Japanese school question in San Francisco than we are confronted by another Japanese problem arising out of the conduct of the hoodlums of that delectable city. If the earthquake had swallowed San Francisco citadel, suburbs and the Golden Gate there would probably have been an end of this Japanese menace. In the midst of our toasting General Kuroki, a number of "lawless resolute" in San Francisco attack a Japanese cafe and presto, an international situation with the Japanese papers in Tokio hinting war and all this before the Panama Canal is finished and while our defenceless Philippines are three weeks from our base of supplies and only about five days from the Japanese strongholds. The Japanese papers claim that the outrages against their countrymen are less excusable than the murder of a missionary in China which resulted in the occupation of Chinese territory by an American force. We could doubtless lick the Japanese if that were the only question; but we are, it is to be hoped, big enough to loathe a war in defence of unjustifiable attacks upon Japanese sojourners by undesirable citizens of San Francisco. The national conscience will not justify such a war. We have in a score of instances come to the defence of our people when attacked in foreign countries and the cases are numerous in which foreign countries have paid damages for such

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attacks. We cannot honestly or consistently deny damages to the Japanese, granted that we would come off victorious in a war with Japan, such war would add at least a billion to our national indebtedness and a pension list that would handicap the treasury for a hundred years or as long as the youngest widow of the oldest veteran, married fifty years after the war should live. We are still paying pensions to widows who as young girls married veterans of the war of 1812. So our prayer should be no less Lord deliver us from war and carnage, blood and powder, than from war debts and pensions.

Gov. Hughes For the Railroads.
Governor Hughes, of New York, has vetoed the bill instituting the flat passenger rate of 2 cents a mile on every railroad system in the state more than 150 miles long.

Well-Put Answer.
"An old subscriber writes us to know what a married couple can live comfortably on," said the stenographer.
"Tell her a thousand a year more than they have," answered the correspondence editor wisely.—Life.

LANDS FOR SALE.
About 10,000 acres of the R O Ranch lands, between Salt Fork and the Denver railroad. For prices, terms, etc., apply to J. B. McCLELLAND, Agent.

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Chicago is planning to raise a fund of \$150,000 to secure for Chicago the two leading national political conventions next year.

Reports come from Amarillo, Washburn, Pampa and Dumas that cattle shipments are still considerably delayed on account of lack of cars.

Before the average girl is married she thinks the most important article of furniture is the piano. After the nuptial knot has been tied she begins to realize that it is not near such a necessity as is the cook stove or sewing machine.

President Roosevelt has set in to dig up some more crookedness, and as a consequence 32 postoffice inspectors are reported to have been assigned to an investigation of the charge that a conspiracy exists between the postoffice authorities and the railroads concerning contracts for handling the mails. Now if the roads are compelled to haul mail at a rate they haul other stuff the postal department will come out with a surplus each year instead of a deficit.

We have been promised a series of articles on farming on semi-arid lands of the west by an expert of Nebraska. Of course much of the experience and advice will be useful to farmers of this country, for the author says the articles on scientific farming will show the farmers of the middle west how to not only increase the producing qualities of their soil and remunerative values of their farms, but to double them. They will be readable, instructive and written so that those who are unversed in technical phrases may easily understand them.

A Mr. McVeigh, from Trinidad, Col., is down on a visit with Mr. Ligertwood, the J A ranch book-keeper.

The Dalhart Enterprise is a new paper by Ted Cornell, the first issue coming out last Tuesday. It is the product of a new office, hence is neat. It is well filled with ads and shows enterprise by coming out twice a week, giving the news while it is news. It is the same size of THE CHRONICLE, and we are sure it will take with Dalhart people. THE CHRONICLE and Enterprise are the only twice a week papers northwest of Fort Worth in this state. The former setting the pace over two years ago. A few others tried semi-weeklies, but they found it too much work and dropped back to weekly.

The Sanger Courier slings this song of consolation down in Denton county.

There is some consolation in the thought that, though the green bugs made a clean sweep of the wheat crop, the excessive rainfall would have prevented its being harvested even had there been a bumper crop, and it would have rotted in the field. All things considered it is probably best as it is. Absence of the green bugs would have created false hopes which we have not harbored, and we would probably have gone to expense on the strength of the wheat crop which we are now free of. Nothing is ever so bad that it can not be worse, and the Sanger community is not the only place that has suffered this year.

The Messenger, formerly a weekly paper at Killeen, has changed to a semi-weekly owing to the increase in population in town and vicinity.

At Greenville Tuesday Tom Holland was convicted for the violation of the local option law, and fined \$200 and 120 days in jail. This was the extreme penalty under the law because the defendant had been previously convicted on the same kind of offense. To the fifteen other charges against him Holland entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$25 and given twenty days in jail in each case. This makes a total of 420 days in jail in the sixteen cases. There were already 340 days against him, and he will now have to serve two years and thirty days in jail. He owes \$1,200 on former cases and over \$1,000 was added to his indebtedness to the state.

STATE NEWS.

The Van Alstyne elevator was damaged by fire Wednesday.

At Terrell August Hassell aged 14 died Thursday of lockjaw resulting from stubbing a toe four days before.

A large steam pottery at Winnsboro burned Tuesday night. It belonged to Jno. Donaldson and there was but little insurance.

H. E. Smith, an oil prospector from Marietta, Ohio, has secured leases on several tracts of land northwest of Paris, near Caviness and Maxcy, to bore for oil.

At Allendale, seven miles from Wichita Falls, local capitalists are boring for oil. There is already a gas well on the tract and the gas from this well will be used for fuel to run the well-boring machinery during the efforts to find oil.

A rich deposit of asphaltum was discovered at Zephyr, ten miles east of Brownwood, on the Santa Fe, Tuesday. G. W. Hall was boring a well and found the deposit, which is pure asphaltum. The citizens are now sinking a shaft to determine the extent of the find, which is thought to be very large.

Down in the Alpine country the long drouth still continues and is causing disappointment and serious losses to the cowman. The ranchmen, who are short on water and overstocked are losing heavily. J. P. Wilson has already lost 400 cows and other stockmen are losing cattle daily, and as present indications are that dry weather will continue for some weeks the losses promise to be beyond computing.

While returning to the Minnesota, a naval vessel, from a Jamestown naval ball after midnight Monday, their launch was run down by a tug and barge and all on board, six midshipmen and five sailors, were lost.

Just a fair division of your Fire, Tornado and Hall insurance, will be appreciated. C. C. BEARDEN.

The Bon Ton charges 10 cents to read any book in the house.

Get ready for the big celebration July 3 and 4. If its only a yard of ribbon you will need I want to sell it to you. MRS. A. M. BEVILLE.

It's Haskell and Gore.

Official returns received at democratic headquarters in Oklahoma City Wednesday shows that A. P. Gore of Lawton is 1,700 votes in the lead in the primaries for United States senator, and has won over Roy Hoffman of Chandler. The nomination of Hoffman had previously been announced. Unofficial returns from seventy-three out of seventy-five counties gave C. N. Haskell, for governor, a majority of 8,000, yet Lee Cruce's managers still claim the result is in doubt.

The official canvass will not be completed until Monday.

How many of you are acting on Rev. Bearden's clean-up crusade?

Six room house, 2 halls, sheds, plank corrals, picket fence, orchard shade trees, well, 4 lots 50 ft.—all in good repairs, must sell quick, \$1235. ALEXANDER & COLE.

Market Report.

The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday:
 Steers \$3.50 to \$4.70.
 Cows \$2.40 to \$3.60.
 Calves \$4.75 to \$5.85.
 Hogs \$5.90 to \$5.95.

LAND BARGAINS.

I want to sell 356 acres of unimproved land 6 miles from this city. Prices right and terms reasonable. Also a 70-acre tract adjoining the city. I am offering a part of my "Sunnyside" addition at lowest prices and terms to suit. I am reserving six blocks in this addition for the NEW COLLEGE THAT CLARENDON WANTS AND WILL GET. Better see these lots and select what you want. DO IT NOW.
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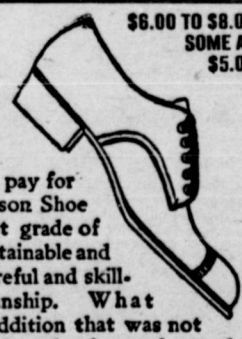
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Shoes from 29 cents up at Mick-le-Burgher's.

Business locals five cents per line for first insertion and 3 cents for subsequent insertions. All locals run and are charged for, until ordered out. Transient notices and job work are cash, other bills on first of month.

Business Locals.

New goods at Dubbs'.
Garden seed at Stocking's store.
Nice line of boys oxfords at Rathjen's.
Calicoes at 5 cents a yard at Mickle-Burgher's.
If you want a watering trough or gate call on E. A. Taylor.
Stocking has sold Hammar paint for ten years. None better sold.
A full line of optical goods at Stocking's store.
Buy your Summer horse blankets, fly nets, etc., of Rutherford & Davis.
E. Dubbs & Sons have discontinued the profit sharing plan. All who have tickets can cash them in at their pleasure.
If you buy from the Kimberlin Lumber Co. you get prompt service, good grades and courteous treatment.
E. A. Taylor has Second Hand Plows, Cultivators, Disk Plows and Disk Harrows for sale, cheap. Come and see.
The Donley County State Bank takes land notes as collateral. Such notes must be on land where as much as half the purchase price has been paid.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

There was a baptismal service at the Christian church Sunday night.
Mrs. Tressa Wesley, of Happy, Texas, spent several days here visiting her brother, John Alexander.
Frank French came up from Fort Worth Thursday and is stirring around among old acquaintances.
Bob Lane, wife and children, and Mr. Leach left Tuesday night for Jamestown to take in the exposition.
T. E. James moved in this week from Hopert, Ok., and is occupying a house in the east part of town.
W. C. Alexander, of Memphis, spent two days here this week visiting the family of his son, J. J. Alexander.
Mrs. Thos. Sullivan and children left Thursday night for Trinidad, Col., to visit a married daughter and children.
H. B. White went to Fort Worth last night and will return with Mrs. White, who has been visiting there several days.
R. O. Tolson, who is now Wells-Fargo relief agent, spent Thursday night here with the boys, who are all his friends.
The deal between W. H. Thompson and Fred Chamberlain and Jno. McLean fell through, after closing up and invoicing for a day.
Rev. C. C. Bearden sold two blocks in the south part of town to H. L. Braly this week at \$1,300, taking in exchange 356 acres of land six miles northeast of town at \$2,300.
Dr. Erby, now conducting the Summer Normal at Goodnight, will preach at the Baptist church tomorrow at 11 and at night. He is an able minister and you should hear him.
G. W. Stephenson, of Kerrville, Tex., was here several days this week prospecting for a business location in the gent's furnishing line, and a place of residence with educational advantages.
Mesdames Bearden, Williams, Morrow and Misses Adrian Brown, May O'Neall, Nellie Williams and Marie Thorp have returned from Fort Worth where they attended the Christian Missionary convention.
Lightning played around among the buildings Tuesday evening during the electric storm in a way to make the occupants pretty nervous. At the Catholic convent it set the attic on fire and scorched the paper in a room or two. It also knocked out some twenty or thirty phones. However, no serious damage was done.
All of Bearden's best insurance companies have agreed to a reduction in rates commensurate with water facilities and fire protection. Consult him when you want insurance.

Latest in Furniture and Hammocks at Kerbow & Asher's.

For the best up-to-date Jewelry go to Clowers. New stock just in.

Come around and see Taylor's Cold-tire Shrinker work.

Ask your friends about the bargains at Mickle-Burgher's

Refrigerators of latest, make and handy ice cream freezers—just the things for summer, at Kerbow & Asher's.

The lightning Tuesday night burned out a transformer in the electric light line near Rev. Bearden's.

The County Commissioners have been in session this week going over the tax rolls. There have been some raises, but we are told that there have been no radical changes.

All the persons who were appointed as notaries in Donley county, as published in the CHRONICLE, qualified except Mr. Hendrix at Hedley and Mr. Melton, of Clarendon.

Henry Wheeler has bought a half interest in the store of W. K. Hollifield at Memphis and will move there at once. He sold his residence here in town, the old Lee place, to H. Lott at \$1,000.

Capt. E. E. McGee called yesterday for a short chat. He says yesterday is moving smoothly around Rowe. Mrs. McGee returned this week, from Ft. Worth, where she was operated on for an affection of the neck, and all indications are that she will rapidly recover.

O. C. Bivins, aged 78 years, a native of Indiana, and for fifty-five years a resident of Grayson County, died at his home in Sherman Wednesday night. His widow survives him and he leaves four children, one of whom is Lee Bivins of Amarillo, who frequently visits Clarendon.

Cowsar's House Burns.
A H. Cowsar's house burned Thursday, fire catching from the flue while the family was cleaning house. Fortunately, most of the furniture was out in the yard, hence was saved. Loss \$600 or \$700, insurance \$400.

Remember the great reduction sale at Mickle-Burgher's only lasts till June 15th.

Letter of Thanks.
MOORESVILLE, N. C., May 30.
To all the good kind people of Clarendon who paid the last tribute of respect to my dear son, B. S. Turbyfill, who was shot and killed in Texas, April 25, so far away from home and loved ones:
Accept my sincere and heartfelt thanks for same, and the good God, who knoweth and ruleth and doeth all things, will reward you for it.
I am his aged and grief-stricken mother. MRS. M. M. TURBYFILL.

Any kind of shirt waists finest to the cheapest. At my reduced price they are less than you can buy the material for. MRS. BEVILLE.

Train Schedule.
Tomorrow the trains change time as follows:
No. 1, northbound, 9:17 p. m.
No. 7, northbound, 10:04 a. m.
No. 2, southbound, 7:55 a. m.
No. 8, southbound, 8:13 p. m.
Nos. 7 and 8 run through to and from Denver now.

Anything you want in lace? Largest stock ever in Clarendon at Mrs. Beville's

The old soldiers will meet at the I. O. O. F. Hall June 22 at 2 p. m. to arrange for their visiting comrades and speakers.
R. S. KIMBERLIN.

Ladies' famous Black Cat hose at 11 cents at Mickle-Burgher's.
Special lot of men's \$2.50 and \$3.00 hats going at \$1.69 at Mickle-Burgher's.

You will need picnic and summer hats. See mine before you buy. MRS. A. M. BEVILLE.
Domestic at 5 cents a yard at Mickle-Burgher's.
Any kind of Woodwork at a living price at E. A. Taylor's.
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Lost Parrot.
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You can actually save money if you select your wall paper at Stocking's store.
If you want Lister shears, sweep or Plow shears, E. A. Taylor has them.

SOCIETIES.
K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 90. Meets every Tuesday night. Visiting Knights invited to attend. H. MULKEY, C. C. H. W. KELLEY, K. of R. & S.

Pythian Sisters—Panhandle Temple, No. 58. Meets each 1st Monday night and 2d Friday afternoon. Mrs. H. C. BATES, M. E. C. Mrs. JOHN M. CLOWE, M. of R. & S.

Gray, blue and pink polish for Canvass Oxfords at Rathjen's.

Another Civic Sermon.
After the baptismal services at the Christian Church Sunday night, the minister gave another installment in the series of sermon lectures on "Civic Righteousness." We can only give a brief synopsis of the 30 minutes' lecture; for, as it has been said, Bearden talks as fast as a French lawyer. He was "glad the city dads were going forward as evidenced by some new bridges, culverts, etc., and the ditching and grading now going on in parts of the city heretofore neglected." The preacher said he had inaugurated a tin-bucket brigade by offering the boys a nickel per dozen for tin buckets, tin cans and other such stuff, and that the boys had run him in for 45 cents in less than an hour! Just think of that will you? And all in one short alley, too! Nine dozen pieces of out of date tinware. Multiplied this by 300 and you have more than three thousand of this kind of stuff scattered pell-mell over the city. (Now, if everybody will take and spend a little money with the boys along this line, they will learn the habit of cleanliness and at the same time earn some spending money for the Glorious Fourth.)

The preacher referred specially to the question of idleness. "Of course," said he, "we have nothing of the kind here; but down in East Texas there are towns where you can see any number of men and big boys sitting on goods boxes, on the curbstone, or, maybe, in someone's buggy whittling, whistling, and waiting for something to turn up. Not here, but 'way down east' we see this unsavory and unwholesome sight.
"There are three classes of tramps," he continued. "First-class, second-class and third-class. The man on the 'ragged edge' of life, poor fellow, who travels on a 'tie-ticket' and stops off at the way stations for a 'bite to eat' is a 'first-class tramp.' Not all of them are bad, either. I remember that on one occasion a young chap came to our home, it was 'down east' in the beautiful little city of Jacksonville, and asked for something to eat. My good wife told him that she had nothing cooked and directed him to Mrs. George Chapman, a good Methodist neighbor, where he ate a 'square' and wended his way back to the business part of the city. There he saw my name in one of the local papers and came around to my office. As he was a cousin of mine I phoned wife that we would have company for dinner and you may guess at her surprise and chagrin, when we arrived at home for dinner. No the boys 'on the tramp' are not all bad. Every one of them was at one time the darling baby of some fond mother and afterward a rollicky, prattling boy at her knee. Force of circumstance, unforeseen and often inevitable, drag boys down to ruin.
"The second-class tramp is the fellow who claims some degree of respectability and who lives at the expense of others. Some of these are boys who part their hair in the wash tub and keep the shine on their shoes, while the 'old man' and sometimes a frail mother toils to keep the wolf from the door. Some of you know just who I'm talking about, don't you? And then, there is the married man whose wife is his slave and who spends most of his time on the streets while the woman he promised at the altar to 'cherish and love' is at the wash tub and sewing machine, paying for his supplies of bread, 'terbacky' and 'bust-head.' These all belong to the list of second-class stuff, just mentioned.
"Now as to the third-class tramp: He, also, affects a degree of respectability, and gets his wants supplied by talking about work. He is always 'looking' for a job, but when you offer him work prefers something else. Is never quite ready to begin when you offer what he asks for. Like the one who said to another: 'Looks like times is a gittin' mighty hard now, a fellow can't ask for wurruk 'thout bein' offered a job.' Employment is the only remedy for our boys if we expect them to steer clear of the pitfalls which drag down to perdition. Let us teach our boys to do something, to be useful, to be brave, honest and industrious. God bless our boys.
The minister then reverted to some things said on a former occasion about our schools, advising the building of a ward schoolhouse for use in the free school work of the city. Clarendon has stood nobly by her college and its people, giving large sums of money for its enlargement and support, to all of which I say, amen. Now let us remember our own boys and girls and provide for their needs as to comfort and health. We are too prone to do those things which bring the applause of others, while we neglect the things which should be uppermost in our hearts. Our children in the public schools need larger playgrounds and more room for study and class work. Our teachers have done nobly and I'm glad they are to have better pay for services. Now, let us 'up and at it' and see that they are not crowded for want of room. One-tenth the amount that you have paid and pledged to the college will build a neat school house, affording plenty of room for the needs now at hand. Let us build it."
After services Rev. Bearden said he would give \$100 of the amount necessary and spoke of several others who would give \$25, \$50 and \$100 each.

Geel! Did you see that crowd at Mickle-Burgher's on Saturday?

Goodnight Locals.
CHRONICLE Correspondence

Miss Mabel Smith and brothers, Ruel and little Frankie, visited J. A. Grundy and family from Sunday morning till Tuesday eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Trent entertained Monday eve in honor of Miss Mantie Graves. The following were present: Misses Smith, Dodson, Prachars, Marshalls, Reed, Black, Grundys, and Messrs Scott, Craig, Jones, Gerner, Black, Goodnights, Livingston, Norvelle, Wamsley, Marshall. They were served with cream and cake. All report a delightful time.

Miss Fay Dodson, from Clarendon, is visiting S. H. Black and family.

Mrs. Carhart, from Clarendon, and her sister, Mrs. Tuft from Camden, Arkansas, visited Mrs. C. Goodnight and, also, Buffalo Park Tuesday.

Miss Mantie Graves, who has been teaching in the Public school here at Goodnight, has returned to her home in Clarendon.

The Summer Normal is moving along nicely. Good attendance. Sorry to say that Prof. Oatis and daughter, Miss Eunice, were called away on business. Rev. J. M. Anderson took his place.

Mrs. S. H. Black and daughter went to Clarendon Saturday to attend the sale. She also visited Mrs. Dodson before returning home.

Had a nice little shower Tuesday eve and a little hail. No damage to crops.

Brice Brevities.
CHRONICLE Correspondence.

Brice was visited by a small cyclone Saturday night. D. L. Wallace's house was moved and out houses blown down and demolished. R. L. Lewis' family buggy turned over and the top torn up. The school house was blown off the blocks and moved about four feet. Other small things moved promiscuously. D. L. Wallace's chicken house was blown to pieces and his chickens nearly all killed. His fence was blown down and bois d'arc posts broken off at the ground.
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HOW THE COLLEGE MAN REACHES THE HEATHEN

(Copyright, 1906, by Joseph B. Bowles.) Karuzawa, Japan.—Exactly how a missionary goes about introducing his teachings to a "heathen" community which knows absolutely nothing about Christianity is an interesting point seldom made plain; now I have seen it done, and the procedure is worth describing. This trip to a large interior town, where missionaries and Christianity are unknown, with the incidents which befell by the way, was the most interesting experience thus far encountered in Japan.

In several features this particular preaching expedition was abnormal. It was made in connection with an excursion to the famous hot springs of Kusatsu by a party of missionaries who are spending their vacation in Karuzawa, the largest summer resort for foreigners in Japan. There were eight young American missionaries, two Japanese teachers or evangelists, and myself, in the party which started early one morning for the 25-mile walk over the mountains to Kusatsu. It was worth while to get this intimate view of missionaries, for three days of hard travel under these conditions was enough to reveal the inwardness of a man's nature.

Escaping from the five runners from

village. The simple presence of so many foreigners, apparently in good health, attracted attention. When the older of the two Japanese preachers announced, holding aloft his lantern, that the foreigners would speak and sing that night, heads began to appear on all sides. Then the missionaries, all of whom speak Japanese, gathered about their one hymn book and began to sing a Japanese translation of a familiar hymn. In the meantime the native evangelist was busily accosting individuals, inviting them to the service and giving them tracts.

Two hymns were sung, the announcement was repeated, and the procession wended its way down near the leper bath, with natives bringing up the rear. Another halt was made and a similar procedure was adopted; and again, further up the village, a third stand was made. This was a short distance beyond where two native story-tellers were entertaining large crowds with sing-song recitals, after the ancient custom. The missionaries considerably moved to a distance before singing, lest they should disturb these audiences, but they nevertheless got a considerable following from the fringes of the lat-



In the Hot Sulphur Baths at Kusatsu.

ter. At a slow pace, to accommodate the lame and the halt, the crowd moved on to the appointed meeting place, having created a sensation in the town.

A Fresh Sensation For the Jaded. Curiosity, and the desire of the blasé for a new sensation, was largely responsible for the attentive company of about 50 Japanese which gathered when the meeting opened. Outside the room, which, in the convenient fashion of the land, was enlarged by removing two of the walls, was a border of wondering women and children. Inside were the men, sitting on their knees, according to the native code of politeness; after the introductory address, one of the auditors spoke up and, with profoundest apologies for the rudeness, asked if the men might not be so impolite as to sit cross-legged, the more comfortable posture, since they were most of them invalids. With many mutual bowings—to live in Japan insures abundant exercise for the muscles of the back—the request was of course granted by the missionaries, only half of whom, I noticed, knew the art of sitting on their knees; I found the ordeal of sitting cross-legged for more than an hour quite severe enough.

The meeting was the first Christian service ever held in that ancient community, the official said, although I later learned that when Revs. T. M. McNair and E. R. Miller spent a vacation in Kusatsu a score of years ago, they also conducted Christian services. Naturally it was as interesting to me as to these Japanese who had never seen a missionary before.

After a hymn in English, sung from memory, and an introductory address and prayer by the native preacher—who, by the way, recently refused an increase in the ten-dollar-a-month salary which a Pennsylvania church pays him, because he said the work elsewhere needed the money more than he—Mr. Hall spoke in Japanese. There was a vein of humor in his address, which abounded in illustrations, and caused the audience to utter the Japanese equivalent for "Hear! hear!" Throughout the meeting, strangely enough, the addresses and their telling points were applauded by hand-clapping.

Despite the lateness of the hour to which this meeting had been prolonged, the party was astir almost at daybreak, and on a tour of the town watching the bathers. Whoever will

may see these, for the Japanese know nothing of the American interpretation of modesty. Then an early start was made for Shibu, more than 24 miles distant, by way of Shirane, an active volcano 7,500 feet high. This tramp is enough to test the religion of anybody, even a missionary, for it is entirely over mountains, and the road is superlatively bad, though the scenery is superlatively beautiful, rivaling Colorado's best.

The Polite Police.

The faithful Japanese preacher had omitted the climb up Shirane and so he reached Shibu another village famous for its milder baths, ahead of the main party of sunburned and foot-sore missionaries, who arrived at sundown, to find the town expectant of a meeting, all the preparations for which had been made. Several rooms on the first floor of the native inn where the visitors spent the night were thrown into one, making room for upwards of a hundred persons seated, while many more could stand outside or sit in the house across the alley, so high is neighbor to neighbor in the old Japanese villages.

Word came from the police that should this meeting place be too small for the foreigners' purpose, the police themselves would provide a larger room. But some 200 men, women and children crowded around when the service began, and listened to the new teachings with an attention that could not be surpassed in a Fifth avenue church. The same speakers took part, although with different addresses. A considerable circle of young men, mostly students, gathered about Mr. Hall after the meeting, for further conversation. At this service a native Christian woman, who had moved into the village from another town, took a delighted part. One of the American Bible Society's colporteurs was also present; and, in general, Shibu seemed somewhat more familiar with Christianity than did Kusatsu, although there are no Christian services held there.

Where Religion is Cheap.

The next morning the Americans, who were quite accustomed to creating a stir by their appearance in native villages, went to Nagano, where is one of the most celebrated Buddhist temples in Japan, dating back to 670 A. D., although the oldest portion of the present structure is only six centuries old. The high priestess of this temple is an aunt of the emperor. The temple area is crowded with statues and buildings of absorbing interest. I noticed one bronze Buddha of heroic size holding a baby, and some devotees had put a modern bonnet, of cheap calico, on the latter's head! On several occasions I have seen images thus incongruously adorned.

Thousands of devout pilgrims visit this temple, and the emperor himself has a sumptuous suite of apartments therein, although the Shintoists claim him as one of their number. In fact he has rather impartially patronized both faiths; and thousands of his subjects do likewise. Ordinary pilgrims to the temple are kept outside the wire screen before the altar, but the missionaries, by the application of the silver key which unlocks doors the world over, were omitted to a closer view and a complete inspection. They were even taken down through the absolutely dark underground passage where the keys of paradise may be found, attached to a huge padlock. And assuredly those young Americans found them, and rattled them loudly enough for all the celestial doorkeepers to hear. This trip in the dark is supposed to purge the soul of sin, though, paradoxically enough, the priest who was our guide warned us that if we had any evil in our hearts when we entered we would come out changed into dogs, which is the common belief. Of course this party emerged barking and growling like curs with tin cans to their tails.

It must not be inferred that the missionaries were disrespectful to the temple or its worshippers. They moved about, uncovered and unshod, and were genuinely interested in the bewildering explanations of who's who in this sect of Buddhism. Among the more than 30,000 ancestral tablets placed in one apartment, I noticed one that was surmounted by the Harvard H.

As souvenirs of this trip I have a written token from the high priest that I have performed an early morning devotion at a certain shrine, and have received absolution from him in person—although, as a matter of fact, it was nearly noon when we were in the temple, and I never saw the high priest. I bought the document from a priest in the temple office for one and a half cents. Similarly, I have a brass charm from the imperial high priestess (whom I did not meet, I am sorry to say), guaranteeing protection to my body from every kind of harm, and all for the sum of eight cents. Religion comes cheap in Japan. I saw priests emptying the money boxes which stand before each shrine, and later stringing the coins together. These are all of copper, and of the lowest denominations, two sen, one sen, half sen, rin and half rin. The last two are the commonest, and are worth respectively, one twentieth and one fortieth of an American cent. These are now seldom used in commerce, and are called "temple money." The sen is worth one-half cent.

The elaborate and costly Buddhist temple and its ritual and priests was in sharp contrast with the impoverished simple services which these un-uniformed missionaries had been holding; but the latter had a confidence and a vitality which made one foresee the possibility of the overthrow of Buddhism by the plain gospel of the Nazarene.

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