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## Childress Shops Burn.

Fire early Saturday morning destroyed the Fort Worth and Denver City Railway machine and blacksmith shops at Childress. The cause is thought to have been defective wiring. Although the company has its own fire-fighting apparatus, etc., it was found that no water pressure could be had, hence they were unable to do effective work. In the shops were six locomotives undergoing repairs, some of which will be a total loss. Two were of the largest class. Several cars were burned.

The car and paint shops and storeroom, which were adjacent, escaped injury only because the wind was blowing favorably. The roundhouse also escaped.

The total loss is now estimated to be \$100,000. About 150 men are out of employment temporarily.

The insurance on them fully covered the loss.

D. B. Keeler, vice president of the Fort Worth & Denver, made the statement that the shops would be rebuilt immediately; that the company could afford to lose no time about putting them back, and that the service would be absolutely unimpaired.

Mr. Keeler was asked if there was any possibility of the general shops being removed to Ft. Worth. He answered that a suitable site could not be found, in the first place, and that Childress was the best place for them, anyway.

The Southern Baptist convention voted to hold its next annual convention in Louisville, Ky. Muskogee had a fair chance of securing the convention, but the fact that the fiftieth anniversary of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary is to be celebrated in Louisville next may influenced many of the delegates. St. Joseph, Mo.; Jacksonville, Fla.; Knoxville and Atlanta extended cordial invitations to the convention to meet in their respective cities.

At the District League conference in Memphis last week Rev. J. G. Miller, presiding elder of this church conference district, was re-elected district president of the Epworth League, and Miss Stella Tugwell of Clarendon college was chosen secretary. Resolutions were unanimously adopted thanking the pastor of the Memphis charge, Rev. Bonner, and the people of Memphis for the hospitality shown the visiting delegates during their stay in that city; also a resolution was passed thanking the president of the conference, Rev. Miller, for the fairness and impartiality shown by him in presiding during the session.

Roger C. Sullivan, democratic national committeeman from Illinois, has chartered an automobile "train" to convey a number of Illinois delegates from Chicago to the national convention in Denver next July. The train will have four touring cars, each seating seven passengers, and a commercial wagon, the latter to be used as a baggage coach. The trip will be made by easy stages.

J. B. Luper, who successfully forged checks to the amount of more than a hundred on the First National Bank some time ago, was finally located at Alva, Okla., last week and was promptly returned to this place to await the action of the grand jury.—Canadian Record.

The political campaign recently decided upon by the American Federation of Labor will be directed from Chicago. A number of speakers will be put in the field and it is also contemplated to pursue a vigorous and widespread fight through the medium of campaign literature.

## Celebrated Case Against Publisher Ended.

St. Louis, Mo., May 14.—The prosecution by the Government at the instigation of President Roosevelt and George B. Cortelyou of Edward G. Lewis, president of the People's United States Postal Bank, and the publisher of many magazines and extending over a period of more than three years, because he had created a postal bank, which came in direct conflict with the money order department, came to a sudden termination this afternoon when Judge Riner in the United States District Court issued a peremptory order to a jury trying Lewis for having used the mails with fraudulent intent to render a verdict of acquittal.

Lewis was being tried on one of nine indictments on similar charges.

All other indictments against the man will be dismissed. Lewis was tried for the first time last April, it taking three weeks to examine all witnesses.

The first trial was one of the most sensational witnessed in the Federal Court of this city. Each day during the trial some sensational feature, showing that the defendant had been subjected to the closest scrutiny by men of the secret service and that through the strength of the Government's agents his personal business, rated at more than \$5,000,000, had been wrecked.

Fraud orders had been issued against each of his periodicals, they had all been excluded from the mails. His bank had been thrown in the hands of receivers on two occasions and an attempt had been made to get property owned by himself and his bank out of his hands. All efforts of the Government failed.

The receivership of the bank was contested and carried to the Supreme Court. It was held that at the time each receiver was appointed the bank was perfectly solvent. The depositors of the bank were paid 100c on the dollar and the stockholders received 85c on the dollar with other assets not wound up.

Lewis was first attacked by the Government in June, 1905. In July of that year he was indicted on nine counts for using the mails to defraud in connection with the establishment of the Postal Bank. His bank was closed and each of his three periodicals were refused admission in the mails at second class rates.

Lewis offered to pay the first-class rate of postage, but this was also refused.

He tried to get a trial on the issues of the case, but upon each time the case was called the attorneys for the Government put up such strong argument that on five occasions the case was postponed.

One of the two new big battleships authorized by congress in the naval appropriation bill just passed will be built at the Brooklyn navy yard. Acting Secretary of the Navy Newbury issued orders Saturday to this effect. Anticipating action by congress, tentative plans for the construction of the two ships authorized already have been prepared by the bureau of construction and repair, and in their general lines will follow those laid down in the construction of the 20,000-ton battleships Delaware and North Dakota, now under construction.

Train Master Fitzpatrick says the Denver road handled more cattle in April by 300 cars than any April in the existence of the road. And the trains got through without an accident. Cattle shipments on the north end are still heavy.—Childress Index.

## Figures in Favor of State Prohibition.

Perhaps this is the question that oftenest occurs to the sober citizen-ship of Texas when they think of the pending prohibition contest. If a conservative investigation should bring an affirmative answer to this burning question there would be a mighty chorus of amens, and "Thank God" will be the joyful response of tens of thousands who have long prayed for this glorious end to their labor of years.

Let us examine the basis of our hopes and see if there is reason for such expectation.

For the year 1908 there have been paid in Texas 487,064 poll taxes. The exemptions would probably run this to about 520,000, but as these are an uncertain quantity, and would not change the ratios, we stick to the actual poll tax payments. Of these poll tax receipts 240,650 are in dry counties, 56,849 are in wet counties and 189,565 are in partly dry counties.

If we give the antis all the votes in the wet counties and 60 per cent. of the votes in the mixed counties they have a total of 170,588. Give the pros all the votes in the dry counties and 40 per cent. in the mixed counties and they have a total of 316,476, indicating a prohibition majority of 145,888. This would seem a fair way of estimating the matter, but let us go into detail and analyze each group.

Give the antis 66 2/3 per cent. of the vote in the wet counties, and 55 per cent. of the vote in the mixed counties, and 33 1/3 per cent. of the vote in the dry counties, and they have a total of 222,355. Give the pros 66 2/3 per cent. of the dry counties, 45 per cent. in the mixed counties, and 33 1/3 per cent. in the wet counties, and this would give them a total of 264,687. By this estimate, which claims little enough, indeed, the pros would have a majority of 42,332.

These are the figures for the direct vote on the prohibition issue which will come next year. For the democratic submission campaign we have a chance for even a better showing, as only democrats will participate, and nearly all of the negro antis would be shut out, and also the anti vote among the Germans of southwest Texas would largely be reduced, as many of them do not vote the democratic ticket.

There are thousands of business men in the cities and towns of Texas who have always voted against prohibition because of a mistaken idea that it would hurt business. As all the state would be put on the same basis with prohibition in our constitution, and all possibility of discrimination be eliminated, they can readily now yield to the natural moral impulse that says "Kill the vile liquor business" and vote with us. Yes, we will win in the primaries, and then we are bound to win in a democratic legislature, and when the question is once up to the people we will follow the lead of Oklahoma, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, and sweep the hellish traffic into the Gulf of Oblivion, and Texas shall be free.

ARTHUR W. JONES,  
Chairman Texas Prohibition Federation.

## Tillman Goes Abroad.

Senator Tillman of South Carolina, accompanied by Mrs. Tillman and two physicians, sailed for Europe from Boston Saturday. Senator Tillman will spend the summer abroad in an effort to recover fully from the effects of his recent serious illness. He will not be able to attend the democratic national convention this summer, but expects to return home in time to take some part in the campaign.

## Socialists Name Debs And Hanford.

Chicago, May 15.—Socialists in national convention this morning nominated Eugene V. Debs for president on the first ballot. A platform was adopted shortly before midnight after a long debate that grew acrimonious at times. Benjamin Hanford of New York was nominated for vice-president.

As soon as the platform was adopted the convention proceeded to select a candidate for president. Debs' opponent was A. N. Simons of Chicago. The platform demands national ownership of public utilities and of all great industries of national scope, "in which competition has virtually ceased to exist;" extension of the public domain to include mines, quarries, oil wells, forests and water power and scientific reforestation of timber lands and reclamation of swamp lands. Touching the labor situation, it calls for a shortening of the work-day, the securing to the workmen at least a day and a half each week for rest; prohibition of employment of women in harmful vocations and of children under sixteen and forbidding interstate transportation of products of child labor and the products of uninspected factories.

A demand is made for the abolition of the senate and of the veto power of the president, and that the constitution be made amendable by a majority vote; that all judges be elected by the people for short terms and that the power of injunction be curbed by immediate legislation.

## STATE NEWS

Denton has been given free delivery, and three deliveries daily will be made.

Ross Fallowell was struck and killed by a train while sitting on the end of a cross tie at Sims Cut, near Gordon Friday.

John Taylor, a laborer was struck by a Katy train while switching in McKinney and his leg was cut off just below the knee. He was standing on the Katy track watching another train.

Marshall Burney, for 20 years journal clerk of the house of representatives, was found dead in his bed at his home in Amphere, Astascosa county, Saturday. Heart disease was the cause. He is survived by one son, who is connected with a South American railroad.

Williamson county boasts the largest and the smallest Odd Fellows in Texas, and invites comparisons from any other section. The tallest, J. R. Hunt, is 6 feet 3 inches and weighs 260 pounds, while the smallest is T. H. Farr, who is 4 feet 6 inches in height and weighs 125 pounds. Both are natives of the State and prominent in the Odd Fellows' organization and work.

## Practical Application.

Newspaper Man—What made you scowl at that fellow who has just gone out?

Bank Official—He's one of those who are always telling me how to run my bank. A man that thinks he knows how to manage another fellow's business better than the other fellow knows how to do it himself is always a nuisance. You ought to jump on such men. If I was running that paper of yours, By-George, I'd er-er. Curious kind of weather we're having, isn't it?—Ram's Horn.

Eight railroads operating in Iowa affirm in their reports that the two-cent rate has stimulated travel and increased receipts. Yet some folks in Texas say that the two cent rate will ruin railroad building in the state forever.—Mineral Wells Index.

## Grady's Good Advice.

The following letter of the lamented Henry Grady to his young friend, Clark Howell, on his birthday, should be carefully read and remembered by every young man whose hands this paper falls into:

"My son will be just about your age when you are just about mine, and I have got to looking at you as a sort of prefiguring of what my son may be, and of looking over you and rejoicing in your success. Let me write you that I would be willing for you to write him.

"Never gamble. Of all the vices that enthrall men, this is the worst, the strongest and the most insidious. Outside of the morality of it, it is the poorest investment, the poorest business and the poorest fun. No man is safe who plays at all. It is easier never to play. I never knew a man, a gentleman and a man of business, who did not regret the time and money wasted in it. A man who plays poker is unfit for every other business on earth.

"Never drink. I love liquor and love the fellowship involved in drinking. My safety has been that I never drink at all. It is much easier not to drink at all than to drink a little. If I had to attribute what I have done in life to any one thing I should attribute it to the fact that I am a tee-totaler. As sure as you are born, it is the pleasantest, the easiest and safest way.

"If you never drink, never gamble, and marry early, there is no limit to the useful and distinguished life you may live. You will be the pride of your father's heart and the joy of your mother's.

"I don't know that there is any happiness on earth worth having outside of the happiness of knowing that you have done your duty and that you have tried to do good. You try to build up. There are always plenty of others who will do all the tearing down that is necessary. You try to live in the sunshine. Men who stay in the shade always get mildewed."

## Night Riders Played Havoc—on Themselves.

Owensville, Ind., May 11.—A farmer in Posey county planned to raise a crop of tobacco this year for home consumption only.

His two sons, 11 and 13 years old, assumed the role of night riders and endeavored to frighten their father by cutting a lot of timber switches and laying them at the front door of the home. On the door they tacked this sign: "Old Man: If you raise any tobacco this year their will be h— raised here.—Night Riders."

From a window in the kitchen the father watched the work of the boys, and when they were fast asleep he stold into their rooms. In the trousers' leg of each pair of the boys' pants he deposited a bunch of switches, and on the seat of the garments was attached the following sign: "Night Riders: Meet me at the barn at 7 o'clock in the morning, when the h— raising will begin.—Old Man."

The boys met the father at the appointed hour, and after he got through with them they thought it would be well to raise a crop of tobacco, and promised to work diligently through the season.—Ex.

## New Use For the Office Boy.

"John," said the newly married business man. "Yessir," responded the office boy. "Call up my wife every 15 minutes, and mumble lovey-dovey, tootsey-wootsey, about seven or eight times.—Ex.

A Washington report says that Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley, retired, will be offered the secretaryship of the navy in case William J. Bryan is elected president.

## A Glorious Possibility.

Chancellor Day admits that to him much of the president's message reads like the ravings of a disordered mind, and other parts of it suggest the shrewd, but reckless, demagogue.

What a grand thing for sport it would be if a scolding match, could be arranged between Chancellor Day and the president; catch-as-catch-can, no language foul, but profane language barred because of the professional standing of the contestants; umpire to be Ben Tillman; Jeff Davis and Governor Vardaman to be referees; two stenographers to be allowed each man, and both contestants to speak at once; after each ten-minute period the subject to be changed; undesirables and cabinet officers to be admitted to the side lines, and seats reserved free for leading muck-rakers and stockholders of the Standard Oil company.

Joy veritably wells up in the heart at the thought of such a contest as this. Oh my! Oh my! If the enclosure was large enough the gate money and cinematograph rights would build the Panama canal.—Life.

## Memphis.

The Memphis band have hopes being made of the regimental military bands of Texas. They are deserving of some recognition.

Nine sets of dry license have been taken out this week and will continue to do business in Memphis paying the \$20 per year tax provided for by the new ordinance.

Not a teacher in Memphis school lost a single hour the past term on account of anything. This is quite a remarkable record when it is considered that there are 10 of them and eight months school.

J. L. McCullum was here Monday having records made for basing the bonds of Estelline school district to build a fine new brick school building. They have already accepted plans for the building and the house will contain seven rooms, one of them being a large auditorium assembly hall.

Grandma Martha M. Brumley died at the home of her son, J. H. Brumley, May 13 at 1 p. m. after a brief illness, aged 79 years, 8 months and 15 days. The funeral was held at the home of J. H. Brumley Thursday, May 15 at 2 p. m. and was quite largely attended. Rev. R. B. Bonner conducted the service. The interment was at Fairview cemetery. Mrs. Brumley will be remembered as the lady who fell from the sleeper of the Denver train near Harrold last January.

## Claude.

Ed Tatum of Clarendon was in town Tuesday.

Lakeview school closed Friday after an interesting term with Miss Margaret Willis as teacher.

The wind Wednesday evening blew J. F. Graves' residence a little out of plumb but no serious damage was done.

Court met Thursday morning and ordered an election in Good-night school district on the question of issuing \$2,500 in bonds for the purpose of building and equipping a school house.

We hear complaints occasionally these days of the high winds in this country, we would suggest that all disgruntled parties read some of the big daily papers and see the enormous loss of life and property every day by tornadoes and cyclones, they would make them glad that we get off as light as we do.—Farwell Times.

This office for neat job work.

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CLARENDON, TEX., MAY 20, 1908.

We received another exchange this week from an adjoining town with a four page circular folded in with it—a violation of the postal laws. Some of the publishers, however, will never be convinced until they run up against a fine.

Representatives of more than 300 commercial organizations from all parts of the country, at a meeting in Chicago, adopted resolutions protesting against the proposed advance in railroad freight rates, but agreeing to submit the question of the justice of such advance to the Interstate Commerce Commission, without appeal to the courts.

John H. Gage, cattle dealer of Fort Worth, is advocating the dipping of fever tick infested cattle with an arsenical preparation for which is claimed better results than with the oil dip. According to Mr. Gage, the arsenical dip leaves the cattle in better condition than the oil and kills the ticks as readily. The crude oil sometimes blisters the cattle, especially if they are exposed to the hot sun immediately after being dipped.

Somewhere in the Bible, or is said to be, an admonition not to be unequally yoked together. But it is little heeded. Many a woman goes out shopping dressed in silk and enveloped in perfume whose hard working husband hasn't had a new suit of clothes or a decent meal in five years. Yes, and many a loafer stands on the street with a stinking pipe in his face, his tank full of "booze" and his mouth full of profanity, whose hard-working wife hasn't had a new dress or a kind word since she was married.

Just getting good time now to kill mosquitoes and banish the flies. Clean up the premises and oil the water that needs it. Life is too short to waste time in bed because of preventable illness.—Cuero Record.

Better come to the Panhandle where you are not bothered with such pests, then you can put in the time at work that pays a profit.

## Over A Billion For One Session.

Washington, D. C., May 18.—This, the Sixtieth congress, will have earned the title of the "Billion Dollar Congress," at its first session, before adjournment is taken at the end of this week. It is estimated that its total appropriations will reach the enormous sum of \$1,000,026,000, which is said to be the largest amount ever appropriated at a single session. The appropriation are for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1908. It is too early to give anything like accurate estimates of the revenues during that period of twelve months, but members of the appropriation committee think they will run somewhere between \$800,000,000 and \$900,000,000. This would involve a deficit of approximately \$175,000,000. Chairman Tawney warned the house last week that the deficit would reach \$150,000,000.

The wages of 30,000 Massachusetts cotton mill operatives were cut ten per cent last week. The week before 60,000 other operatives were subjected to a similar cut, and 35,000 more will get the same kind of a republican tariff prosperity dose next week. The full dinner pail is becoming something of a hollow mockery.—Commoner.

Fredrick Gorham, for twenty-five years an engineer in the employ of the Southern Pacific, was found dying Sunday in the bathroom at his home, in San Antonio as a result of a gunshot wound. By his side was found a shotgun, the contents of which had taken effect in his stomach. Gorham was 52 years old and leaves a widow and son. It is supposed he suicided.

## What P hould Cotton Bring?

At the time, when farmers are holding their crop for fifteen cents per pound, it is well for them to have some actual knowledge of what the price should be.

We read in the newspapers that the tobacco growers have been selling leaf tobacco at sixteen cents per pound. When the growers organized to fight the Trust, the price of tobacco had been run down by the Trust to four and five cents per pound.

A few years ago cotton was run down to six cents, and Theodore Price, the leader of the bears of Wall street, declared that it would go down to five cents.

The Farmers' Union and similar organizations determined that they should have something nearer the value of their product, and the result is that since cotton dropped to six cents, it has sold as high as sixteen cents. It is now sagging between ten and eleven cents. What ought the price to be? Is cotton really worth more than ten cents?

Let us look at the facts. A bale of cotton weighing 500 pounds will make about 3,000 yards of Calico. To manufacture this bale of cotton into 3,000 yards of calico will cost about \$100, including the cost of the raw cotton. Therefore, if the manufactured product (the calico) sells at seven cents per yard, the bale of cotton will yield to the manufacturer \$210. His profit on the bale, then, is about \$100. But let us say that the spinner only gets an average of five cents for his calico. This will be \$150 for the 3,000 yards which are made from the bale of cotton. In the event, he buys a bale of cotton for \$60.00 (assuming that he pays twelve cents for it), and sells it for \$150. In the manufacture of the cotton his entire expenses will be about \$100, or \$40.00 over and above what he pays for the raw cotton; consequently his net profit, even at five cents per yard for the calico, is somewhere between \$40 and \$50 per bale. On a crop of 12,000,000 bales, the spinner, therefore, could make a profit of about \$500,000,000.

To the farmer this state of affairs means that he sells a bale of cotton for \$50.00 or \$60.00, and buys it back at from \$150 to \$200. No wonder that the statistics published by the United States government prove that the agricultural classes are not even making good wages, whereas the manufacturing classes, after paying wages, raw material, and interest upon capital, make a net profit of \$2,000,000,000. In other words, the official statistics prove that capital invested in manufacturing, where it is given by law a monopoly of American market, yields a net profit of twenty-nine per cent. per year to the manufacturers. Unprotected and competing with the Old World, the American farmer is not making any net profit whatever upon his investment. As a rule, he barely gets a living. Coming now to the question as to what cotton really is worth, let us figure it out another way. Suppose the manufacturer paid you fifteen cents per pound for your cotton. In that case, a bale weighing 500 pounds would cost the manufacturer \$75.00. He would manufacture it into 3,000 yards of calico at a cost of about \$115 or \$120. Selling his calico at five cents per pound, the bale of cotton would yield him \$150; therefore his profit would be about \$30.00 per bale. Let us suppose that the manufacturer paid twenty cents per pound for cotton. What would be the result to him? The bale of cotton would cost him \$100. He would manufacture it into 3,000 yards of calico at a cost of about \$140. If he got no more than five cents per yard for his product, he would make \$10.00 per bale on each bale of cotton that he made into calico. In cotton manufactures the investment of capital is about \$650,000,000. Therefore, if every bale of a crop of 12,000,000 bales should be manufactured into calico which

was sold by the manufacturer at five cents per pound, he could afford to pay twenty cents per pound, because his net profit would be \$120,000,000, or nearly twenty per cent. upon the capital invested.

Of course, there may be other manufactures of cotton besides calico, which pay a larger per cent. of profit. There may be some which pay less. The probabilities are that there is considerable uniformity in the profit of manufacturing the staple into cloth. Therefore it would seem to be capable of exact demonstration that the manufacturers could afford to pay twenty cents per pound for cotton and still make enormous profits, beyond a reasonable and legitimate return upon their money.

Rather than pay a fair price for cotton and reduce their fat earnings to a more equitable proportion, the spinners are closing down their mills, or running on short time. This is the kind of patriotism the Tariff tree bears. The victims of the tariff must submit to home extortion, to keep Europe from competing in our markets; but the beneficiaries of the system will turn out their employees to starve rather than allow their unnatural profits reduced to something reasonable.—Watson's Magazine.

## Resolutions.

Whereas, God in His infinite wisdom has permitted the reaper, death, to take from its earthly dwelling place, the spirit of Mollie, the devoted wife of our esteemed and beloved fellow-societyman, Victor Trammell; and,

Whereas, By her devotion to those ideals which are noblest and purest, she has endeared herself to all her friends and acquaintances and has been an inspiration to all with whom she came in contact; therefore, be it

Resolved, 1. That we, the members of the Panhandle Literary society, extend to our bereaved brother our heartfelt sympathy in this, his great loss, and that we join him in mourning for his irreclaimable dead.

2. That since the earthly tie is broken, for hope and comfort we would point the bereaved husband to the ever-sympathizing Saviour, who alone is able to console in the hour of grief.

3. That in the emulation of such a character we are better in our lives and nobler in our purposes, and we unhesitatingly point to the life of "Miss Mollie" as exemplary in every respect.

4. That one copy of these resolutions be presented to Bro. Trammell, a second spread on the minutes of the Panhandle Literary society of Clarendon college, and a third furnished for publication in the local newspapers.

ERNEST WILSON,  
CLINT LEE,  
G. L. GILBERT,  
Committee.

## Goodnight Commencement

There are four graduates in Goodnight Baptist Industrial Institute this year: Miss Ollie Finley, Sabinal; Miss Threshia Mae Godfrey, Paducah; Miss Alva Lewis Thomas, Goodnight, and Walter Cornelius Johnson, Canyon City. The commencement program begins Friday this week.

We are in receipt of the following program:

Friday, 8:30 p. m.—Play, "Down in Dixie."

Saturday, 8:30 p. m.—Inter-Society Debate.

Sunday, 11 a. m.—Commencement Sermon, Rev. S. W. Kendrick, Dalhart, Tex.

Monday, 10 a. m.—Pupils' Recital.

Monday, 8:30 p. m.—Grand Concert. Admission.

Tuesday, 9:30 a. m.—(1) Graduation Address, Rev. A. C. Burroughs, Clarendon. (2) Valedictory, Miss Ollie Finley, Sabinal. (3) Awarding of Medals and Diplomas.

Tuesday, 2 to 6 p. m.—Lawn Reception.

The usual arrangements are being made for the entertainment of all visitors.

## Mysterious Murder.

C. C. Mills, an old ranchman of Young county, after laying unconscious for a week, died Thursday.

Both Arthur Mills and Hainer Patton, employed on the ranch, were held by the authorities pending an investigation.

According to young Mills' story, he was awakened in the night of the assault by something striking the woodwork of the bed. Rising in the dark he heard some one moving, but could see nothing. He rushed to the window to summon Patton and was struck on the forehead, receiving a deep gash. He succeeded in rousing Patton and both returned to the room to find the elder Mills unconscious.

Thursday the sheriff visited the ranch to ascertain Mills' condition. He took a sudden turn for the worse that day and died during the night.

The sheriff placed both the son and Patton under arrest and a post-mortem over the body was held. District Attorney Martin then took the stomach to Fort Worth to be examined.

Mr. Mills was between 60 and 70 years of age. His ranch comprises about 1,400 acres in Young county. Both Arthur Mills and Hainer Patton, the men arrested, are married. Young Mills is a graduate of the state university. Both bear high reputations.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

Two weeks ago the departure of Secretary of war Taft for Panama was regarded as a curious if not suspicious maneuver in the political field. Why should he leave the country or abandon his campaign at a crisis and a time like this? It is probable that Secretary Taft's managers and friends knew then what pretty nearly everybody knows now that his nomination is certain and his election a pretty sure thing. Among the things of very recent occurrence favoring these ends are:

The postponement by the Senate of the Brownsville case until next December.

The abandonment by Senators opposed to Roosevelt of their support of Fairbanks, Knox, Cannon, or Hughes.

The Brownsville case being out of the way the Republican Senators have now no longer a bitter apple of discord but can come together and harmony renewed in the senate will doubtless be reflected in every state, district and county.

It is rumored that there has been a deal between the Foraker and Taft belligerents by which Senator Foraker has secured the promise of return to the Senate in consideration of his dropping the Brownsville matter. That Taft has not been directly a party to a deal will be granted when it is remembered that he has been in Panama. His alibi is known by everybody. Senator Foraker says he thinks he will gain more for the colored soldiers by postponement or by waiting until another president is in the White House than by pushing the matter now.

The fact is that Taft's nomination on the first ballot is almost as certain as was President Roosevelt's nomination four years ago. Although the president has been urging upon Congress the passage of a modified injunction bill, and an amendment of the Sherman anti-Trust Act, it is now believed that the manufacturing interests are more potent at the White House than the organized labor influence. The White House, it is said, has been bombarded by telegrams and letters from manufacturers and influential people from all parts of the country and it has been given out indirectly from headquarters that Mr. Roosevelt, despairing of securing any enactment that would meet the extravagant demands of the Federation of Labor has abandoned the subject altogether. The threat of capital to go into politics and to make its influence felt just as organized labor has been threatening through Mr. Gompers to do, has been potent in convincing the administration that there might be some good reason for the contention of the conservative manufacturers of the country.

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**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

Finis Simpson was in yesterday from the Rowe ranch.

R. L. Gibson loaded out his household yesterday for San Angelo.

A. R. Letts left last night for Iowa and the northwest on business.

Mrs. J. E. Cooke has returned from Dallas much improved in health.

A new born baby boy of James Casey's died Monday and was buried yesterday at 2 o'clock.

Mrs. H. C. Kerbow and little daughter have gone to McCauley to visit relatives for two or three weeks.

A pretty good rain fell Saturday night, but not as much as needed. More will come in ample time and the tenderfoot need not fear a protracted drouth.

The band boys will give an instrumental and vocal concert Friday night at the opera house. Everybody should attend and help them that much.

J. F. Woodward has sold his two places in the east part of town to H. P. Stanton, a son of J. J. Stanton and brother of Walter Stanton, recently from Derden, Tex. The price paid was \$1,500.

Paul Sewall, the boy so badly hurt at the college building by being caught under a falling elevator, had sufficiently improved to be taken home by his father, who left with him for Texhoma Monday night.

The Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbors report the best social time of the season at their banquet Saturday night. The rain kept them together until a late hour, but they enjoyed themselves, all the same.

Rev. J. L. Pyle came in yesterday to visit his son, T. M. Pyle. He says he will likely remain here for the summer, at least, as the climate down at Corpus Christi does not agree with his daughter, who is in bad health.

P. D. Hudgins, formerly of Clarendon, spent the first few days of the week here, having come from Elida, N. M., to Gray county a week or two before. He and Mrs. Hudgins will spend the summer in this and Gray county.

There was a slight difficulty between the college financial agent and Mr. Wasson Monday, and one yesterday morning between Mr. Benedict and Mr. Hodges. From what we hear the damage was no more than the amusement they furnished a certain class.

The revival at the Christian church started off well Sunday with a good attendance. Evangelist Ben M. Edwards arrived Monday and there will be services each day through the week at 4 and 8:30 o'clock, p. m. The church members ask the co operation of members of other churches, and the attendance of everybody.

County court was in session yesterday and has on trial a suit in which the financial agent of the college is suing Mr. Wasson on a subscription to the building fund. The case was continued over until today. Two other cases on the docket are suits of T. H. Peebles vs. the Ft. Worth & Denver, and Mrs. Hext vs. H. Lott.

Hank Campbell was down from Amarillo yesterday on business. He says Amarillo is seriously up against a water problem, the city having outgrown a well system, and they are now talking of piping it some 21 miles. He says both Dalhart and Plainview have sold bonds to put in sewerage systems. His talk here along that line has interested some of our public men and we do not believe the time is far distant when we'll have this necessity, ourselves.

Prof. Silvey is taking the school census this week.

Mr. J. S. Scatt, of Childress spent Monday in Clarendon.

A new daughter took up her residence in Frank Whitlock's home early Monday morning.

Miss Willie Procter, who taught in the public school here, left last night for her home at Alvord.

Rev. A. H. Thornton came down from Goodnight Monday evening and spent part of yesterday here.

W. C. Cole has sold the place where he now lives to T. S. Kemp at \$1,200. Mr. Cole's new residence is about completed and he will soon move his family to it.

Mike Beverly, a nephew of John Beverly, was here from Gainesville, Tex., the first of the week on a visit. He was favorably impressed with the town and country, as most all other visitors are.

Now, that school is out, keep your boys from idling around on the street; put him at something, even if he only earns one meal a week, it is better than idleness. There is an old saying that an "idle brain is the devil's work shop and idle hands his tools." How true this saying is. The street gossip, smutty yarns, the mischief that grows into pernicious meanness, has a fruitful source in street loafing. While the girls may not pick up meanness as fast as the boys, she needs useful employment as well, and she, too, should beware of the "devil's work shop." It is to this shop that the tattler goes for material wherewith to blight some happy home or attempt to ruin the character and reputation of their fellowman, by falsifying his good name, and forever destroying his bright prospects for the future. You cannot realize how low down and contemptible a village tattler is, until you have seen some of the results of their tattlers' tales.

The Fort Worth & Denver repair work heretofore done in Childress will be done in Wichita Falls until the shops are rebuilt.

**Jersey Milk Cow for Sale.**  
Call on N. N. Martin, Clarendon, for particulars.

**Conundrum Social, Hedley.**  
The Ladies' Aid society of Hedley will give a conundrum social Friday, June 5, from 7:30 to 11:30 p. m., at the residence of G. A. Wimberley. Refreshments will be served and proceeds go to the church. Everybody cordially invited. Will make it as pleasant for you as possible.

**Sunday School Convention at Rowe, May 31.**

- Song.....By Congregation
- Invocation...Elder A. H. Newton
- Welcome Address...J. T. McHan
- Response.....E. H. Watt
- Song.....By Rowe Class
- The Ideal Sunday School Pupil...Mrs. McDougal, J. O. King
- The Teacher Before the Class...Clay D. Akers, Mrs. McCants, K. W. Howell
- Song.....By Bray Class
- How to Get Out of the Ruts...Melvin Cooke
- Song.....By Lelia Class
- NOON—DINNER FOR ALL
- Song.....By Fairview Class
- Sunday School Funds; How Used...B. F. Newton, Mrs. Hall, of Fairview Sunday School.
- Importance of the Primary Class...Mrs. White of McKnight
- Song.....By Hedley Class
- Report of the Various Sunday Schools.
- Song.....By Jackson Class
- Business meeting.
- Report of Standing Committee.
- Song.....By Giles Class
- Music in the Sunday School...Miss Eva Sims, H. J. Miller
- Should the Senior Class Use Literature or the Bible?...G. A. Oller, A. H. Newton, J. M. Shelton.
- Closing song.
- Benediction.

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Our rates for candidates' announcements are as follows, strictly cash in advance: District and county, \$10; precinct, \$5.

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- For County Judge, J. H. O'NEALL, GEO. F. MORGAN.
- For County and District Clerk, C. A. BURTON, WADE WILLIS, J. J. ALEXANDER.
- For Sheriff and Tax Collector, J. T. PATMAN, J. MARION WILLIAMS
- For County Treasurer, GUSS JOHNSON, J. M. CLOWER.
- For Tax Assessor, R. H. ELKINS, G. W. BAKER, J. H. RUTHERFORD.
- For County Commissioner Precinct No. 2, R. E. WILLIAMS.

**Mexican War Veterans.**

The officers of the Texas Association of Mexican War Veterans were re-elected at their Waco meeting as follows: Col. Abe Harris of Fort Worth, president for life time; Col. Tom Scott of Melissa, first vice president; Benjamin F. Draper, Jacksboro, second vice president; G. Gerdes of Ranger, third vice president; and Mrs. Moore Murdock of Dallas secretary for life time.

The Dames of 1836 elected officers are as follows: Mrs. Ella Moore Kirtley, Terrell, state commandant; Mrs. Augusta K. Ault, Fort Worth, vice commandant; and Mrs. Mary C. Hamman, Fort Worth, secretary.

San Antonio was chosen as the place of the next meeting, the date to be fixed hereafter.

**Market Report.**

The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Monday:  
Steers \$4.00 to \$6.60.  
Cows \$2.00 to \$3.50.  
Calves \$2.75 to \$4.60.  
Hogs \$4.30 to \$5.30.

If it isn't an "Eastman" It isn't a Kodak.

She was sulking over a broken resolution anent late hours; but, forgetting this for the nonce, he said: "Do you know, darling, I never tire of looking at this snapshot of you?" "You might have it framed and hung up in the lodge, then," she answered tartly.

**Stock of Merchandise for Sale.**  
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**STATE NEWS.**

Swisher county will vote on a \$40,000 courthouse bond issue Aug. 8.

Mrs. Kirtz, formerly of San Angelo, suicided at the Hines ranch, 25 miles from Pecos Saturday by hanging herself.

James Foster, a Confederate veteran who won distinction at Chickamauga, and was a well-to-do citizen, died at the age of 90 at Palestine Sunday night.

The commissioners' court at Anson has ordered an election to be held June 30, to authorize the issuance of courthouse bonds to the amount of \$100,000 for the purpose of erecting a new courthouse.

During a very hard rain and wind storm at Mertens Sunday morning, the Methodist Church was struck by lightning and destroyed by fire. Valuation from \$4,000 to \$5,000. Insurance \$1,200.

Early Sunday morning Ben Caldwell, a member of the North Fort Worth fire department, was shot and seriously wounded by an unidentified assailant while driving in North Fort Worth in company with his father.

Since so many destructive cyclones and tornadoes swept central Texas and other states and so many fatalities have resulted therefrom, the entire citizenship in and around Rhome are actively engaged in the construction of storm cellars, and the work is being accelerated as much as possible.

A flow of gas was struck in the test well near Cash, Hunt county Saturday. The bit was reported to be in the oil bearing sand. The gas appears to be about double the volume of that struck in the first well, which means a very strong current. There is considerable excitement in the vicinity of Cash and many people are visiting the well.

T. E. Reilly of Ft. Worth, while on his way home at an early hour Sunday morning succeeded in beating off two negroes who made a vicious attempt to rob him. When the first negro attacked him, Reilly received a cut across the head with a razor, but bested his assailant, following which he was set upon by the second negro, whom he also beat off.

It is a good rule to pass lightly over the mistakes of others and pay a deal of attention to those you make yourself.—Athens Globe.

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