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From the Orient.

General Attorney Hoard of the Kansas City, Mexico & Orient reports that the line has been graded from Sweetwater of Red River and twentyfive miles south to San Angelo. Mr. Hoard said that it was the intention of the company to lay rails from Fairview, Okla. to Wichita, Kan., as the next step. Then the present road from Wichita to Osage will be used, and by a trackage agreement with the Orient will get into Kansas City.

In addition to this rails will be laid south from Fairview to Lonewolf, making a junction with the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf. All this is to be done by Nov. 1st, next, if present plans are carried out.

When these constructions are finished the work of laying rails from Lonewolf to Sweetwater will commence. This piece of the road has been thoroughly graded. Mr. Hoard believes that by 1905 the Orient will have trains running into Sweetwater and San Angelo. He says the Orient is now being operated between Wichita and Oswego, Kan., from Port Stilwell in Mexico east about fifty miles, and from Chihuahua east and west, the line being operated some 200 miles.—San Angelo Standard.

State Entomologist E. D. Sanderson of the Agricultural and Mechanical College is making an extensive collection of all insects found in Texas, especially all insects injurious to crops and fruits. To keep himself in touch with every section of the state, Prof. Sanderson is arranging for one or more persons in each county to act as his agents in collecting and forwarding insects to him informed of the appearance of any insects injurious to crops. Insects may be sent by mail if they are securely packed so that they will not be crushed or be dangerous to handle. They should be sealed in an air-tight bottle or box and a few leaves of their food plant inclosed with them to keep them alive. The State Entomologist should meet with such general cooperation, on the part of farmers and others that it would be impossible for a pest to do much damage to crops in any part of the state without his being informed of it and given an opportunity to check its ravages before it has had time to spread.

Whether we like the thought or not, any close observer is compelled to admit that this is a practical age—an age having its ideals largely set in industrial and commercial achieve-

ments; to put it boldly, money getting is now considered a legitimate ambition. For the possession of money means home comforts, standing in the community, power in church and state. Because of this well developed tendency education is surrendering its severely classical ideals and is suffering a generous infusion of strictly practical instruction. A recognition of the importance of applying science to stock raising, farming, and gardening, as well as a realization of the need of educating our own engineers in all lines lies at the basis of the movement for technical education. The Agricultural and Mechanical College is the result. Its technical courses are judiciously mixed with purely cultural studies. The eye and hand of a boy are trained along with his mind. The practical insight grows correspondingly with the theoretical grasp. The resulting man should be an alert, wide-awake American citizen, quick to see an opportunity; a creator of wealth and not a mere consumer. Such, in part, is the work attempted by our state technical school at College Station. If you want your boy to receive a technical education, send him there.

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Republican Convention.

The State of Texas, County of Kinney.

Be it remembered, that in pursuance to a call made March 5th, 1904, by the Chairman of the County Executive committee in and for Kinney County, Texas, a Republican convention, in and for said Kinney county duly met in the court House in the town of Brackett, at 8 o'clock p. m. March 12th, 1904, that being the time and place designated in said call for the meeting of same whereupon said chairman after declaring the convention open for the dispatch of business, read the call issued by the Hon. Cecil A. Lyons, Chairman Republican State Ex. Com. for a delegate Convention to meet at Dallas, Texas March 22nd, 1904 and the call of Hon. James O. Luby Chairman Republican Ex. Com. 14th Congressional District for a convention to meet at Hondo, March 19th, 1904, and the call of said County Chairman for a county convention to meet as aforesaid, for the purpose of electing delegates to said conventions and for such other business as may properly come before said convention, whereupon Mr. J. S. Morin, was elected chairman of said convention and Mr. T. J. Martin secretary of said convention.

The following delegates and alternates were then elected as delegates to said State Convention to meet at Dallas, March 22nd 1904. to wit: Delegates. Joe Veltmann, J. H. Pratt, N. P. Petersen, Thos. M. Little, H. Faloot, and T. J. Martin.

Alternate. Herman Neer. C. A. Windus, R. C. Ballantyne, H. G. Martin, R. Stratton and Chas. Yeates.

The following delegates were elected as delegates to said Congressional Convention for said 15th. Congressional district, to meet at Hondo, March 19th, to wit: Delegates J. S. Morin, Joe Veltmann, H. Neer and J. M. Baugh.

Alternate. T. J. Martin, J. H. Pratt, N. LaFlor and Wm. R. Partrick.

The following resolutions were then read and unanimously adopted by said convention, to wit:

Be it Resolved by the Republicans of Kinney County in Convention assembled: 1. That in the death of the Hon. Marcos Alonzo Hanna, the Republic has lost a statesman of signal ability, of undoubted integrity, of lofty purpose, of heroic mould and of the highest ideal of American Citizenship. The American laborer has lost a trusty friend, a faithful advocate, a sincere sympathizer, a champion of his rights and a man whose entire life and splendid ability has been devoted to the elevating ennobling and independence of the sons of toil. That the Republican party has lost a leader beloved, honored and respected and on whose tomb, in all reverence, we desire to place to-night, a humble tribute of our love and esteem.

2. That we endorse the public acts and administration of President Roosevelt, in the prompt and effective recognition of the Republic of Panama; in the treaty with

said Republic, looking forward to a speedy completion of the Panama Canal, which action is endorsed by the entire Nation regardless of party affiliation, and hailed by all countries as a boon to world-wide commerce, in the maintenance of sovereignty in the Philippines, in suppressing rebellion, disorder and out-lawry in the islands maintaining law and order and giving the people there security of life, liberty and a free opportunity to pursue happiness under the Constitution and flag of the Grand Republic.

3. We endorse the administration in its attitude toward Cuba; in giving that infant Republic kindly advice, assistance and substantial and moral support, and is further resolved that our delegates to the State Convention cast their votes for delegates to the national Convention who will support President Roosevelt for President.

4. Be it further resolved that we unqualifiedly endorse the course pursued by the Hon. Cecil A. Lyon as state chairman, and that he is our choice for National Committeeman.

5. Be it further resolved that we heartily endorse and commend President Roosevelt for his good offices in bringing about arbitration in the great coal strike, and using his best endeavors in securing a more substantial and amicable understanding between capital and labor.

6. Be it further resolved that our delegates to the Congressional Convention be and they are hereby instructed to secure the insertion of a plank in the Congressional Platform, pledging our Congressman to use all honorable means, for the permanent establishment, maintenance and up-building of the military post of Ft. Clark, Camp Eagle Pass, McIntosh, and Ft. Brown, as we deem it in the order of peace and good government, that said posts should be at all times kept effective and efficient.

7. Be it further resolved that our delegates to each and all conventions be, and they are hereby instructed to vote as a Unit on all questions, and be it further resolved that should the said delegates fail to be in attendance at any of said Conventions then and in that case, the Hon. R. W. Dowe, of Eagle Pass is hereby authorized and empowered to cast the entire vote of Kinney County. All of which was duly submitted, voted upon and carried by the said Convention.

J. S. Morin, Chairman, Attest. T. J. Martin, Sec.

School Notes.

Attendance in all grades is holding up well and we hope it will continue so to the close of the session.

A college course is of inestimable value to a boy or girl of over-fined sensibilities. Oftentimes, when boys enter college as freshmen, they are so touchy that their sense of honor is constantly being hurt and their pride stung by the unconscious thrusts of classmates and companions. But after they have been in college a term, and have been knocked about and handled in a rough but good-humored manner by youths of their own age, they realize that it would be the most foolish thing in the world to betray resentment. "If one shows that he is hurt, he knows that he will be called the class booby, and teased unmercifully so he is simply forced to drop his foolish sensitiveness."

Prof. T. U. Taylor of the University of Texas, spent last Monday morning in visiting the two high grades, of Brackett High School. He is out inspecting school affiliated with the University and said that ours and the High School at El Paso were the only ones affiliated west of San Antonio, though he was going by after leaving here to examine the school at Uvalde with a view of accepting it. Prof. Taylor took charge of the higher classes in our school and gave them a searching examination, reviewing not only the daily lessons but the ones the classes had already gone over. The pupils stood the tests he said excellently and on leaving he complimented the school very

highly. His presence was a helpful and his visit appreciated.

Prof. Taylor mentioned above has a career that is interesting and it may profit all to know something of it. He was born in Southern Texas and at an early age was left an orphan. He gradually worked his way up against great difficulties, graduated at Sam Houston Normal and at the University of Virginia. He was then elected to a Professorship in the University of Texas granted him a leave of absence several years ago to enable him to study some in European Universities. He is rapidly coming to the front as an educator in Texas and his career shows what anyone with pluck, energy and perseverance can do. Generally the best thing that can happen to a boy is to be thrown out in the world on his own resources and let him work his own way up. The worst thing a parent can do for a child is to keep his pockets full of money all the time for, this encourages idleness, extravagance and dissipation and never brings out the best elements in a boys character.

Prof. J. W. Carson of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, director of farmer's institutes, is a strong advocate of fall and winter plowing. The land should be plowed as deeply as possible and allowed to mellow during the winter. "Prepare your land well in the fall or winter," says he "so that it will have time to settle or 'firm,' as we say, by planting time. For corn, if the land is plowed in the fall or winter, it is often better not to break it at all at planting time, unless the breaking is followed immediately by a heavy roller and then a harrow. The roller 'firms' the seed bed and the harrow breaks the crust and prevents the escape of the moisture. For cultivation of the growing crop, however, frequent shallow plowing is the thing. The oftener the crop can be plowed the better. Most farmers plow their land only for the purpose of killing the weeds and grass. That is a mistake. The destruction of the grass is the least important thing in cultivating a crop. The ground must be stirred on the top as often as possible to prevent the escape of the moisture. The drier the weather, the oftener should the surface of the ground be stirred. Plow your corn one more time after you have concluded it has had enough plowing. The extra plowing you give it not only kills the late crop of weeds, but also leaves a fine 'mulch' of dust on the surface which acts like a blanket is keeping in the moisture. This is very important in the droughty districts of the state."

The Rt. Rev. Bishop J. S. Johnson, of West Texas, held confirmation services at the Episcopal Church last Monday night, assisted by Rev. H. N. Dikeman. The following persons were confirmed: Mr. and Mrs. Martin Keys, Miss Alice Veltmann, Mrs. Dr. Pick and Mrs. H. Brookins.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce Ira Shely as a candidate for the office of County and District Clerk.

LOCAL.

Crushed fruits at Holmes'.

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O. J. Woodhull was in from the ranch Thursday.

Miss Pruitt returned this week from Davilla.

Holmes' delicious ice cream is made of cream.

O. Zuehl was here this week on court business.

Lime Juice and Kola at Holmes'.

W. O. Vincent made a trip to Del Rio Saturday.

Fine bailed Sorghum. Will trade for calves or milch cows.

W. O. VINCENT.

R. A. Serna this week bought 60 head of cattle from Matthews & Sons at p. t.

Theresa Nolan was visiting at the Sauer ranch a few days this week.

Flavored syrups for Holmes' big onyx fountain are made of fresh ripe fruit.

Purity and cleanliness at Holmes'.

New outhouses have been erected on the High School grounds.

The boys are digging for worms and fishing is the go now.

Sam Hutchison was in from the ranch this week trading.

O. W. Vencint is doing repair work at the Post at present.

Miss Maude Racer has accepted a position as sales lady with the firm of Peterson & Co.

Walter Yancy was in town Monday. He reports bees doing well on the Nueces.

Nature is awaking from her winter sleep and puts on a dress of green. How beautiful this world is!

A force from the Post is at work clearing all drift and cutting the grass from the Las Moras stream.

W. H. Partrick and R. D. Rose received a couple of game cocks this week from Yucatan Mex. They are the finest cocks ever imported to this country.

F. W. Thommee one of Del Rio most respected citizens spent a couple of days in our thriving little city this week.

Manuel Sims and Cecilo Q. Y. X. Z. Convers were out on a fishing trip this week.

FOR SALE:—Young laying hens. At MRS. C. MCCARR'S, Standart, Texas.

Will Marcee after a long absence has returned to our city again.

C. F. Adams passed by town this week moving his flocks to the north of town.

Ice cream, fountain syrups and crushed fruits are kept in porcelain and glass jars not metal at Holmes'.

JONES SISTER'S SPRING MILLINERY.

AT THE HILTON HOUSE.

Mrs. R. D. Rose after being sick quite a while is up again.

Sparkling ice cold soda water flavored with fruit at Holmes' fountain.

A fire in the Geo. Herzing pasture burned several hundred acres Wednesday.

Sam H. Hutchison was in from the Nueces Thursday for supplies.

Albert Schwandner was in town with a load of dressed porkers Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Apple, of Ft. Williams, Maine and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Meyer of Covington, Ky., are here on a visit. Mrs. Apple and Mrs. Meyer are sisters to Jno. Indlekoffer.

Doc Anderson, manager of the T. 5 ranch in Pecos county was in the city Monday on his way to New Braunfels to inspect the 800 head of steers Mr. Olmstead is feeding there. There is some strong talk among the people out in his home county of running Doc for sheriff this fall. He did not mention this himself, but Gen. McKenzie gave the information out confidentially to The Express representative and intimated that Doc would not be consulted in the matter at all. In view of this fact it might be well for Doc to be prepared for the worst. Being sheriff will be a new thing to him and

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he ought to place his order for a revolver with a crooked barrel so he could shoot at offenders around the corner of the house without exposing himself until he gets his hand in good.—San Antonio Daily Express.

The building for the teaching of Textile Engineering at the Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas is nearly half completed. It is built of the handsome red brick made in Corsicana, Texas. It is difficult to overestimate the influence on the industrial life of the state that will result from the annual sending out of a class of young men trained to organize capital for factory building, to plan build factories, and with the necessary skill and experience to handle the practical details of the weaving and dyeing of cloth and sale of products. Texas would be saved millions of dollars annually if her cotton and wool could be woven into cloth without first being shipped to New England, and then returned to us trebled in price to enrich the manufacturer. To solve this great industrial problem the School of

Textile Engineering has been instituted. Texas boys have the brains and energy. Only the opportunity for skilled training is denied them. This will now be afforded. With skilled operators in our own midst, adequate capital will quickly be forthcoming. We want home capital, too. The times have come. We want home capital, too. The time has come for us to develop our own resources. Too late we are finding out our mistake in sending for help to develop every good thing we discover. We have acres of diamonds and too often our developers take them all away when their work is finished. One of these days Texas will be dotted with factories, supported by Texas capital, operated by Texas skilled labor and officered by Texas Texas superintendents—such an ambition well illustrates one of the practical ends of modern technical education.

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TIMELY TOPICS.

Senator Reed Smoot says he is disgusted at the idea of practical polygamists sitting in judgment on a theoretical polygamist. This is rough on the Senate.

Senator Cullon says that President Roosevelt will never be caught in a falsehood. Why should a Republican Senator make such a slurring remark concerning his leader's agility?

If the Japs win against Russia, won't they have an intolerable development of swellhead, they sooner or later pick a quarrel with the United States in the Philippines?

It has been decided in Washington that hash shall henceforth be a part of the army ration. It would seem as if the soldier in good standing was entitled to be informed of its pedigree. Let's see; what was it Sherman called war?

A word of advice to Hon. William H. Taft, Secretary of War. Go slower on those banquets. Decline some of your invitations. Washington isn't Manila, very true; but a man who weighs 350 pounds must practice some alimentary conservatism even here.

This is sad story--that 150 Congressmen have been mixed up with post-office improprieties by using their influence to get more buildings, more clerks and more money. That 2,000 shares in the Montague Indicator Company were given to Perry Heath is not so astonishing. Now, what about other bureaus? And other departments?

It is depressing to see printers, who belong to a really progressive craft, remonstrating angrily against the introduction of the Mergenthaler machine into the Government Printing Office. The protest comes altogether too late to look well.

Before the Panama canal can be constructed there must be removed 95,000,000 cubic yards of earth and rock. When they had 10,000 men at work the French company removed 1,000,000 cubic yards a year, so, if our men work twice as fast as the French, we shall be ready to build the locks in less than fifty years. This hopeful.

A new and startling discovery has been made in California by Professor Lawson. He is the professor of "Geomorphogeny," and has found out that the Upper Kem basin in that state is 3,000,000 years old a few days more or less. It should be sent to the St. Louis Exposition and he should be made chief of the Neogeomorphogenetical Division of Professor Walcott's Geological Survey.

An eminent Chicago engineer who wasn't appointed one of the Panama Canal Commissioners, say the canal will cost \$300,000,000; will be a terrible disappointment for twenty years to come, and when completed, if ever, cannot be used by sailing craft and will be valuable only for war purposes. As Mr. Burchell said in the Vicar of Wakefield. "Fudge." Send Senator Spooner after that cynic.

The latest fad to develop at Harvard College is what is called "scientific charity". The applicant for aid is put into a calorimeter to see what kind of food will be best agree with him; the X-ray will be used to discover the germ which causes that "tired feeling", his veracity will be tested by the Bertillon apparatus and method, and finally if he passes examination, he will be given a card to the Associated Charities.

It is notorious that many employees Government Offices in Washington do not earn their salt, but a man like Bristow is worth millions to the nation. His exposure of the methods of members and senators acting as attorneys with pull for their constituents and themselves will have a purifying and salutary effect. Some of these gentlemen will not be returned to Congress and all will be more circumspect in the future.

Congress will be careful how they express themselves to post-office officials in Washington if their letters are to be made public by some Bristow investigation. Those given out are rich, rare, and racy. Here is a number in a ludicrous funk because the post-office in his little town is not fitted up fast enough. He writes (reckless of grammar) "Somebody will find themselves in trouble. You ought to give your man White a dose of ginger and pepper every day." This is mixing business, politics and condiments in a very entertaining and diverting manner. How much pepper and ginger does it take to make a political business man? Why not give him a live wire? It is vastly more scientific and strenuous.

The East River or Williamsburg suspension bridge relieves congested traffic in New York. It is a larger, heavier, more plainly utilitarian structure than the "old" Brooklyn bridge, and it will carry more than twice as much. The carriage-way, including approaches, is nearly a mile and a half long, and within its generous width of \$1.15 feet are two elevated tracks, four surface tracks, two roadways, two promenades, and two bicycle paths. The total cost was nearly \$20,000,000. Two other immense bridges are already chartered. To picture the marvelous city of the future is impossible, for now comes the coordination of the vast labyrinths under the streets and the opening of the two immense tunnels under the Hudson.

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