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\$1 IN ADVANCE

YOU'LL FIND IT IN COTULLA

We read an interesting extract from The St. Louis Star-Chronicle that tells the story of a St. Louis young lady who went to New York to buy her line of underwear. She fairly reveled in the beautiful line of goods manufactured in her own city and sold at her own door. She was still absolutely satisfied with her choice, but charged to find that she had gone all the way to New York to buy what she could have got, as she expressed it, in "Dear Old Saint Louis."

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WILL CELEBRATE

LABOR DAY.

BARBECUE AND AMUSEMENTS AT COTULLA

Horse Races, Ball Games, Gun Shoots, Burro Races, Etc.

September 2nd, Labor Day, will be celebrated in Cotulla by a barbecue and other amusements. At a meeting Wednesday night committees were appointed to raise funds and to date about \$200.00 has been subscribed.

Among the amusements will be a ball game between Laredo and Cotulla teams, gun shoot, burro races, sack races, and horse races.

The barbecue will be held on the river between the two bridges.

RAILROAD MAY PAY PROMPTLY

Austin, Tex. Aug. 23.—The Tax Department has begun to doubt whether the railroads will contest the payment of their taxes on the intangible values in the courts. The judicial action which the Tax Department was looking for was a mandamus proceeding to prevent Tax Commissioner Davie from certifying the intangible value of the various tax assessors. These values have already been certified and the tax assessors are placing the values on the tax rolls as certified because the new intangible law does not permit the tax assessors to change the values fixed on intangible values by the State Tax Board.

As the intangible value of railroads were increased over four times the values of last year it was thought the railroads would almost certainly contest the payment. The intangible values of railroads were fixed at their full value by the State Tax Board, while the full rendition bill, not going into effect for three months later, did not compel the individual to render his property at full value for the 1907-1908 assessment. It was thought the railroads would take this as a ground for contesting payment.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

F. C. Jordan of Aguilares was in Cotulla first of the week.

G. A. McMichael and wife of Woodward were in town Thursday.

J. P. Bennett, manager of the O'Connor Ranch is in town today.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Covert were in the city from Woodward Thursday.

John R. Black went up to San Antonio yesterday on business.

Mrs. E. A. Keck and children returned from Hays county Monday where they had been visiting relatives.

Mr. E. A. Keck went to San Antonio Tuesday for medical treatment. He was quite sick for about a week.

T. C. Devilliers, a brother to Dan Devilliers is visiting the latter at Woodward. Mr. Devilliers came to Cotulla direct from South Africa.

Prof. J. H. Hinton and wife of Carrizo Springs are in the city visiting Dr. J. W. Hargus and family.

Copies of the union edition of the Record can be had at this office for 5c per copy. In 100 or more \$3.50.

Mrs. Loula Bowen and Miss Janie Thomas returned last night from the Jamestown Exposition. During their absence they also visited relatives in Tennessee.

Miss Kate Burwell returned last night from St. Louis, where she has been for ten days selecting a fall and winter stock for her store. She made unusually large purchases for the coming season of all kinds of goods, and especially millinery. Miss Kate visited Mrs. T. C. Baker at Springfield, Illinois, during her absence. She was accompanied home by Miss Florence Poole, who has been visiting in Springfield for several months.

COTULLA TO BE

A CLEAN TOWN.

Under the direction of the Improvement Committee of the Business Men's Club Cotulla has greatly changed in appearance the last three days and before another week it will be the cleanest town in all Southwest Texas.

E. M. Evetts is in charge of a gang of Mexicans clearing the streets of brush and they are getting it out of the way in a hurry. Every street in the town will be cleaned.

The wilderness that we have been living in for so many years; that has hidden midnight thugs and assassins will soon be no more. For the first time since the birth of Cotulla, on the principal residence streets you can now see from one end to the other and drive down the thoroughfare without having to turn 'round a mesquite every few yards, and having the top of your buggy dragged off by a drooping limb. We were a long time getting out of the jungle to the light of civilization, but better late than never, and now that our town is assuming a real live 1907 appearance, let's keep pushing.

One of the important matters that should have the immediate attention of the Business Men's Club is the grading and claying of Front street. This would be of great value to the town and should not be deferred.

Will Clean Right of Way.

Col. W. A. H. Miller, of the Improvement Committee of the Business Men's Club is in receipt of a letter from Homer Eads, division Superintendent of the I. & G. N. stating that they would begin work at once grubbing the brush from their right of way to the town limits each way.

FREE DAILY

TRAIN SOUTH.

In making Cotulla a local freight division point a new service went into effect Monday which gives the stations between Cotulla and Laredo three daily passenger trains.

The new train is the local which carries a passenger coach. This train arrives at Cotulla at 5:30 p. m. and returns to Laredo at 6:35 p. m., arriving at Laredo at 11:30. The other two trains are on the same schedule as formerly.

The local freight train from San Antonio arrives at Cotulla at 4 p. m. Leaves Cotulla at 7 a. m.

The putting on of the passenger coach on the local between Cotulla and Laredo makes it quite convenient for people along this part of the line.

Advertising Matter.

The Record turned out this week ten thousand folders for the Business Men's Club, advertising La Salle county. This is the first advertising matter of any quantity ever put out by the Club. All business men of the town and others who desire it, will be furnished with these folders and urged to use them in all letters they send out. These folders can be had by applying to the Secretary, Mr. W. A. Kerr.

Broke Cheek Bone.

Jim Williams came in yesterday from Prairie View with a broken cheek bone, the result of his horse falling with him. He was galloping along side a buggy when the horse stumbled and threw him forward on his face. Several years ago young Williams was the victim of a similar accident, which rendered him unconscious for a week, and he was a year recovering.

ARTESIA NOTES

Mr. Beever was in town yesterday. Mr. and Mrs. Price are away on a visit.

Onions are to be planted on a large scale. Orders are out for seed for 60 acres.

Mr. Harris Eddy is expected soon to join his father, mother and sister on their place here.

The gasoline engine on the McQuery farm is being put in order to be used in irrigating land. Those on the Sinclair and Anderson place are to be repaired and set in motion.

Beever & Hinde has a house nearly completed on their farm. They well now down 2000 feet, flows about 40 gallons to the minute of pure sweet water. About 10 acres of their land is ready for the plow, and a large force of men are preparing more.

Married at San Antonio

A simple and pretty wedding was that of William H. Sylvester and Miss Elvina Bringhurst, formerly of Alexandria, La., on the afternoon of Thursday, August 15. The party were wedded from the home of the bride's uncle, Dr. W. L. Bringhurst, the ceremony taking place at St. Mark's Church, Rev. Mr. Patton officiating. R. W. Bringhurst, the father, and Ledoux Bringhurst, a brother, accompanied the bride to this city, where she was joined by the groom. Miss Bringhurst has visited her San Antonio relatives more than once and feels at home in Texas, where she is destined to reside. The young couple will leave today for Cotulla, their future home.—S. A. Express.

Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester arrived in Cotulla Sunday and will make this their home.

STRIKERS APPEAL

TO GOVERNOR.

President of Dallas Union Says Companies are Not Performing Duty.

Dallas, Aug. 23.—The most important feature of the telegraphers' strike today is the appeal of James B. Chupp, president of the local union of the Commercial Telegraphers, to Attorney General Davidson and Gov. T. M. Campbell requesting them to take immediate steps to force the Western Union and Postal Telegraph Companies to properly perform their duties in this State.

In his appeals to these officials Chupp claims that the companies have not been performing their duties since Aug. 10, and that both companies have deliberately and wilfully refused to perform their duties as commercial carriers.

Going further, Chupp says he can and will prove that this condition exists; and also that the Western Union Telegraph Company has refused to accept messages tendered to it and that the companies are discriminating against the peoples privileges and rights.

The service of both companies shows a slight improvement today.

BOMBARD HEAVENS FOR RAIN.

Mayor of Connecticut Town Suggests That Battery of Field Artillery Fire in Air to Break Drouth

New Haven, Conn., Aug. 22.—As the drouth continues in this State, Mayor Dudley of this city has suggested that a battery of field artillery be used to discharge fifty rounds of ammunition in the hope of producing an atmospheric change and consequent precipitation.

Except for two brief thunderstorms several weeks ago, no rains have fallen in this vicinity for weeks.

HERE FOR BUSINESS.

We did not come here just for headquarters alone. Every country has its attractions, some for one or the other thing. When country and town is advertised as prosperous we think there is piano business. We find towns not very prosperous or on a boom where people are more discouraged than here, yet they believe in advancing the child's education in music; piano and other instruments. These are the folks who do things: who send out into the world teachers for all branches.

No matter that we got along in the world without much education or none at all, yet look the future in the face and see facts already back of us. All of us do not always wish to be down on the farm when grown up and so it is, don't always wish to live in town. Piano is a good thing to have around whether Pa or Ma, you or I, little or big one, wants it there or not. Let piano remain in that corner even if you can't get anything out of it yourselves. Don't be selfish. Open it up. Let your friends use it when they call on you. Let it stay there to bring back memories of the past. Let it be in the home to recall old times when we were young. Again, then see the little one set on that big stool trying to learn the first lesson, then sometimes see the same child, but now grown, a famous pianist or teacher of music, possibly a living from it.

Any person who thinks music and lessons on the piano are not good for boys and girls in their home, is "not" in their ways and their "not" ways are mighty sorry. They know nothing and don't want too, and "rare and cave" because the other fellow does know a little something; afraid their little boys won't amount to a darn if they take lessons in music. Well what are those boys anyway everywhere you see them? It is not necessary to give them a thorough course in music. A little music and some religion, or to be impressed, to be surrounded by music. To be brought up near a piano has its effects on the young mind. What will hinder you in buying a self player to attach to attach to piano in later years if children do not learn to be musicians. We have the goods on easy terms, and very low prices. Our pianos have good tone, elegant cases, fully warranted.

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Cotulla, Texas.

If we were going to say what was the most unfortunate thing that could befall a boy or girl, man or woman, believe we could say idleness. For to be absolutely idle, without employment for mind or body is very bad, indeed; and always leads to something worse. Take the boy who is reared in idleness, no employment, his time his own to dispose of to his liking, and watch that boy. You will see him in bad company. He will soon be indulging in drink and a frequenter of the card table and other games of chance, and visiting places that tend to lower the moral tone and integrity, thus losing esteem and respect for himself, and the confidence and respect of other thus paying the way far an unfavorable career. While for the girl reared in idleness about the same course, in many respects, lies out before her. She loses interest in the home, probably respect for father and mother; keeps undesirable company and often becomes fast, and she does not occupy the place morally or socially she might have otherwise. Young man, young woman, be employed in some useful way, improve your time, be not an idle.—Pearsall Leader.

While criticising your neighbor's character, it might be well to glance at the diagram he has of yours.

ARTESIA NOTES.

Artesia, Texas, Aug. 22.—Editor Record: Some one has thrown water on us, woke us up and shoved a late copy of the Record in our face, which reminds us of the fact that there is always something doing here and I herewith rise to remark.

That we noticed in one of your columns that our pet Wampus had been to Cotulla.

That Chas. Juvenal had just returned from a few days' visit to his brother, who is operator at Millett.

That the Rev. New Jerusalem Wright is preparing to move to the big artesian well on the Beaver place 3 miles from our city.

That E. C. Price, wife and sister-in-law, Mrs. John Skinner, have gone to the mountains to spend a week fishing.

That C. G. Vernon is wearing a lonesome, guess and beggar sort of an appearance of late and has actually quit going to town at night just to try the new swing.

That Oscar Bonner was busy in the oil line Friday, disinfecting our cisterns and tanks according to orders from our County Health Officer.

That that notorious and jasperoidal Bud De Spain has been in town several days this week.

That Terrell Tompson of San Simon, Ariz., is spending a few days with friends and relatives.

That Square Putman and Judge Keuhn of the East part of the creek were circulating among friends in our city Saturday and Sunday.

That T. J. Alderman was considerably jarred by a fall from a run away horse Sunday, but seems to be doing nicely now.

That G. W. Burris is our only Justice of the Peace, and a plum good one. To prove the fact we cite you this fact, he is the only man who was ever tried and acquitted of a charge in Judge Hill's Kangaroo court.

That there is a search warrant out and if we find enough jury-men we will try to investigate that melon stealing raid of last Saturday night.

That we will now sing the doxology and I'll take another nap.
(MISS SALLE JONES.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of La Salle County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Leoncio Salinas by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof in some newspaper published in your county, if there be newspaper published therein, but if not then in any newspaper published in the 49th Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of La Salle County, Texas, to be held at the Court House thereof in Cotulla on the fifth Monday after the first in September 1907, same being the seventh day of October 1907, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 22nd day of August, 1907 in a suit numbered on the docket of said Court No. 975 wherein Mrs. Feliciano P. Salinas is plaintiff and said Leoncio Salinas is defendant, said petition alleging marriage of plaintiff and defendant on or about August 1st, 1896, their living together for about four years and that on or about August 1st, 1906 defendant left plaintiff with the intention of permanent abandonment and with such intention has remained away from plaintiff ever since and that defendant has abandoned plaintiff and lived in adultery with another woman named Tibureia Quinones. Plaintiff prays for judgment dissolving the marriage relations existing between plaintiff and defendant and for costs of suit and general and special relief.

Herein fail not but have before said Court on the said first day of the next term thereof this writ

with your returns thereon how you have executed the Witness G. H. Knagg, Clerk of the District Court of La Salle County. Given under seal of said Court at Cotulla, La Salle County, this 22nd day of August 1907.

G. H. KNAGG
Clerk, District Court,
County, Texas.
Issued this 22nd day of A. D., 1907.

G. H. KNAGG
Clerk of District Court,
La Salle County.

REPORT OF THE COND OF THE COTULLA STATE BANK

AT COTULLA, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS AUG. 14th, 1907.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral.....	\$20,977
Loans, real estate.....	31,978
Overdrafts.....	92
Furniture and Fixtures.....	46
Due from Approved Reserve Agents \$9562.48	
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check.....	631.50 10
Cash items.....	151.75
Currency.....	1182.00
Specie.....	398.61 173
Other Resources as follows:.....	35
Total.....	\$6695.38

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in.....	\$25,000
Surplus Fund.....	248
Undivided Profits, net.....	778
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check.....	79
Individual Deposits, subject to check.....	46
Other Liabilities.....	35
Total.....	\$6695.38

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY LA SALLE, SS.

We, F. B. Earnest as Vice President, and V. H. Harding Cashier of said bank, each do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

F. B. EARNEST, Vice-Pres.
V. H. HARDING, Cashier.
Sworn and subscribed to before me this 14th day of August A. D. 1907.

Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

J. H. GALLEAN,
Notary Public.

Correct-Attest:

JNO. M. DANIEL,
K. BURWELL.

According to the last report of the bureau of statistics of the department of agricultural, there are more hogs in the United States as the figures are grouped, than any other class of farm animals. Strictly speaking there are over fifteen million more cattle which are placed in a separate class from other of beef cattle. On January 1, 1907, the bureau estimates the number of hogs to have been 45,794,000, valued \$7.62 per head, a total valuation \$417,791,000. Iowa has over eight and one half million hogs, twice as many as either Illinois or Nebraska her nearest competitors, with Missouri a rather poor fourth. When the returns of the twelfth census were in, Iowa showed over 400 hogs per square mile of land area, Nebraska had 3800 per 100 inhabitants, Illinois 106 per square mile of land area and 115 per square mile of farm area, and Indiana 105 per square mile of land area and 111 per square mile of farm area.—Texas Stockman and Farmer.

Remarkable Free Offer

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The Mutual Drug Company of Cleveland, Ohio, have arranged with our local druggists to accept the TEN CENT COUPON printed below, the same a cash, in part payment for SAL-TE-NA Effervescent Fruit Seltzer, their wonderful cure for Headaches and Constipation. SAL-TE-NA is a safe, certain cure for these troubles and acts quickly. Take a dose of SAL-TE-NA before breakfast, and the bowels will move promptly in one hour. It doesn't grip and is pleasant and agreeable to the most delicate stomach.

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Every one of our readers should take advantage of the liberal offer of the Mutual Drug Company of using the 10 cent Coupon.

This offer is only for a limited time. The Coupon with 15 cents will pay for a 25 cent bottle of SAL-TE-NA. Cut out the Coupon at once and present it at your nearest drug store. Act at once.

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State.....
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TEXAS FARMERS' UNION IN SESSION.

The largest meeting of delegates to the Texas division of the Farmers' Union ever held in any state gathered at Fort Worth during the past week. The session was marked by the most perfect degree of harmony and the labors of the session were declared to be the most eventful of any yet held. We give below a digest of the more important acts of this the fifth annual session of the Texas Union.

The minimum price of cotton for the crop of 1907, received careful consideration in connection with the warehousing of the staple. The convention agreed to recommend 15 cents as the minimum to the general convention meeting at Little Rock, Ark., Sept. 9.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:
 J. D. Neill, president.
 J. P. Lane, vice-president.
 C. Smith, secretary.
 B. F. Chapman, state lecturer.
 A. H. O'Keefe, business agent.

The committee on reports of officers endorsed the reports made by President Calvin, by Secretary-Treasurer Chapman, by State Organizer Neill, and by the executive committee and commended all of these officials for the faithful work done during the past year.

The Union placed itself on record as favoring \$15 a ton as the minimum price for cotton seed this fall and winter.

The report of the legislative committee consisting of President Calvin and executive committee member Davis, was approved and a strong resolution favoring the continuation of the state department of agriculture, demanding a national system of grading and classing cotton, declaring that state officials should not be allowed to succeed themselves or hold similar offices until two years had passed, favoring the passage of drastic laws to prevent employment from public service corporations, demanding the parcels post, and favoring the lowering of passenger and freight rates.

Twenty-two names were placed in nomination for the executive committee. The following were elected after a long contest:

J. C. Albritton of Seary county.
 H. Lass of Waller county.
 Peter Radford of Parker county.
 W. T. Loudermilk of Comanche county.
 J. E. Montgomery of Caldwell county.

Mr. Loudermilk was elected on the first ballot taken Thursday night. He and Radford were members of the old committee.

President Calvin requested the Union to arrange to have the state take over and operate the cotton school which has been so fruitful of results during the past two years.

The demonstration accorded to retiring President Calvin was most enthusiastic and cordial. By resolution it was agreed to frame the president's annual address with his photograph and present it to him as a mark of esteem. Incoming President Neill was warmly received and was elected without opposition.

The resolutions regarding public officers serving corporations was warmly contested twice during the sessions on the ground that they had a personal and political significance. This was denied by those supporting the resolution, and when once adopted the convention refused to reconsider its action. This item, it appears, gave rise to more heat and friction than any other under consideration.

There is a strong sentiment in evidence favoring an increase in the salaries of the higher officials, but no definite action was taken looking to a change.

Steps were taken which may result in the erection of a permanent home for the state headquarters. This was referred to the local unions for action.

The next place of meeting will be at College Station. President Harrington of the A. & M. College was present and extended the invitation. It was accepted by a large majority vote, Houston being in nomination at the same time.

A number of amendments to the constitution were passed on at this session. The debates on these and other items were considered in close executive session and lasted until after midnight.

President Neill said, in accepting the office, that he would continue the policies inaugurated by retiring President Calvin, therefore the friends of the union believe that progressive conservatism will mark the efforts of the new administration. Mr. Neill has been state

organizer or two years past and has a very wide acquaintance in all parts of the state.

Former President Calvin was called to take charge of the business management of the warehouse system and sales system formed under his administration and with which he has been closely identified as general manager. No more efficient man is available for this important post.

The session just closed embraced four days of hard work and the farmers in all parts of the state will be benefitted materially by reason of the deliberations of the fifth annual session.

FERTILIZING FOR NUTS.

Several inquiries have been received of late why pecan trees that have borne regular crops in years gone by have stopped bearing, also why trees heretofore that have good crops of well filled nuts sometimes bear a crop of nuts only half or partially filled with meats—this happening usually when the crop was unusually heavy.

As these inquiries have come in pretty much all in a bunch, I will answer them in a bunch. All of the inquirers probably know that if you plant cotton or corn, or any other crop, on the same land year after year that soon that land will not produce cotton or corn, because the properties in the soil that go to make a good crop of either will become exhausted. It is the same with pecans as with any other crops.

When your pecan trees come to bearing size and for a number of years bear heavy, regular crops, the natural phosphoric acid and potash in the soil becomes exhausted, and then the good bearing trees of the years gone by stop bearing or bear very few nuts or only bear every second or third year or bear a good crop of half filled or empty shells. It takes phosphoric acid and potash to make nuts and to fill them full of rich meats.

If you have any trees that have quit bearing or are not filling well heretofore, during July or August give them a good application of some high grade, complete fertilizer, with a high percentage of phosphoric acid and potash—the higher the better. Put the fertilizer broadcast from about four feet from the tree and out as far as the tree is high, and plow it in two to three inches deep. In the winter give your trees a good application of ground bone (each year), and hard wood ashes (home made if possible) or you can put on potash in some other form. By this treatment you can make the trees put on a good crop next year, as the application of high grade fertilizer will make them set and mature this fall a large quantity of bloom buds, and make the tree hold its fruit next spring.

The winter application of ground bone and potash will make the nuts hold and fill out well. Then each year put on an application of ground bone and potash, and once every couple of years give your trees some stable fertilizer. Plant a crop of peas every summer in July and plow them in in the fall.

Do not let your grove or around your trees grow up in grass or weeds. Keep them clean, plow or harrow them, cultivate them, hoe them. Do not let grass and weeds take your fertilizer after you have put it there—your trees and nut crop need it. Also they need all the moisture. Cultivate and keep the trees clean until July, then sow a cover crop of peas, and in the fall plow them in. While the peas are growing keep all around the trees hoed clean for from five to eight feet from trees all around.

If you do this you will get regular crops of well filled nuts. Fertilizing pays, but cultivation pays better. Do not take crop after crop from the soil and put nothing back, for if you do you are simply starving to death the goose that is laying the golden eggs for you. Figure back twenty to twenty-five per cent of the value of the crops, disappointed by a failure of you.

By the above I mean trees that have ceased to bear large crops of well filled nuts, or shells filled with no kernels at all. For the opinion from experience

you put on enough fertilizer the tree it will make ference. They will not fill the shells. They will simply non-bearers or bear perfect fruit, and it is the characteristic as seedlings. I way to change them over good bearing trees is to tops off and graft or buy to good bearing varieties can usually grow back top in two to three years they will commence to will bear according to characteristic of the tree your grafts or buds of Fred S. Dawson.

France and Spain agreement to concentrate squadrons on the coast.

Four thousand Moslems but are the French with heavy loss was two men killed and wounded.

State creamery men in Antonio last week and permanent state organization purpose of the association up the business in the state encourage dealers to buy their.

Commissioner Milner recent providing for reports of each handled. By means of the department will have of the cotton ginned.

The railroad commission that logging roads, although not common carriers, amenable to anti-pass law the attorney general's ruling.

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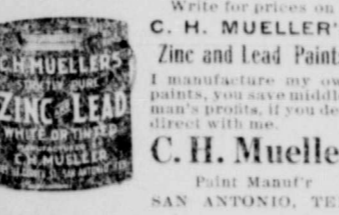
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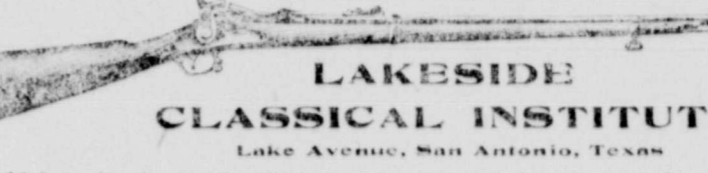
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CHAPTER II.

THE OLD MINER.

The old gentleman was very urgent in his hospitality, insisting that Fred remain and take luncheon with him, but on account of a business engagement Fred was unable to do so.

"My Ruth, sub," said the old miner, "will be delighted to meet you again. Now, sub, there's a girl in a thousand. She stays with her old daddy and has just as much faith in the ultimate outcome of the Shonbar as I have. I sometimes think, sub, that I ought not to keep her among the mountains and hills, so far from cultivation, so to speak, but she says, 'We'll wait, daddy, till we strike it.' I assure you, sub, she is a wonderful comfort to me."

Fred invited Mr. Hilliard to bring his daughter and stop at his house for a few days, but the old miner explained that his stay could not be prolonged; that he was impatient to begin work on the crosscut mine, sinking the shaft to the three hundred foot level and then commence crosscutting. He insisted that he must start for Gold Valley on the evening train.

Ascending to the parlor, Fred waited till Mr. Hilliard brought his daughter to bid him good bye. As she came into the room with her stately father, Fred was conscious of an effort in trying to convince himself that such a beautiful girl could have grown to young womanhood among the mountains of the northwest.

She was carrying a bunch of violets in her hand and he began to associate the girl with her seemingly favorite flower.

"I hope you have enjoyed your trip to New York," said Fred.

"Thank you," she replied, "the trip was intensely interesting, and so is the city, what little I have seen of it, but I feel restless here—a want of outdoor freedom. What I miss most is the smell of the pines that so lades the air of Gold Valley."

"Yes," replied Fred, "but we have the violets, and perhaps you have none in Gold Valley."

"Very true," said Ruth, as she lifted the purple beauties and inhaled their fragrance. "No one can understand how dearly I love these little flowers. If we only had them in the hills, among our pines and the beautiful scenery, I am sure I would never care to come away."

"You are loyal to Idaho," "No," she replied quickly and smilingly, "only loyal to truth. Really," she went on, "it is a compliment, is it not, to your eastern world, that my point of view has not been a critical one?"

Without hesitation he agreed, and soon after was hurrying along the street towards the Banner office, but for many days there remained with Fred Rockwell the blended fragrance of western hills and violets, and the tender memory of one who, he half believed, might have "tuned his song" and turned his life to stronger endeavor—to nobler purposes. But at such times he would put the thought gently from him as if it were the idle fancy of a day dream.

CHAPTER III.

The Banner Force.

A great metropolitan journal like the Banner has a tendency to absorb all individuality into one composite whole. A man may be never so clever with his pen and contribute the most readable articles to the paper day after day and year after year and yet not one reader in ten thousand has any idea whose composition he is perusing.

Fred Rockwell was one of the force and was a favorite with his associates. He dreamed of promotion and the time when he should be a correspondent of note, or possibly the head of some important department of a great paper. Visions of special work that would call him not only to different parts of his own country, but to foreign lands as well, charmed him into contentment and renewed energy.

Only once during his employment on the Banner had he had anything like a "hit." He had on one occasion succeeded in "scoping" the other New York

papers in a most masterly manner. Indeed, to Fred belonged the credit of having completely humiliated the other dailies with a double leaded featured article with flaming headlines.

As a compensation, he was sent for by the chief and received the special thanks of that august personage. This was a mark of distinction, for it was seldom that the chief praised any one, but on the other hand if the work was not up to the standard the staff generally heard from him in a volley of profanity that caused them to doubt both his orthodoxy and the permanency of their positions.

On the night after Mr. Hilliard and Ruth started for Gold Valley, Fred found himself thinking about the Shonbar.

To a young man of twenty-five fifteen years is a long time to wait for the possession of his property; then, too, there is a certain fascination about the idea of owning a gold mine, and this charm had taken possession of Fred to such a degree that between the lines of his copy he found himself speculating on the future and building castles in the air.

The half interest which his father owned in the Shonbar had not been named in the will, and as Fred was the only air, it naturally occurred to him that in case the old miner should "strike it rich," he would find himself with a handsome competency long before his fortieth birthday.

For the first time during the years of his connection with the Banner, a feeling of dissatisfaction stole over him. Fred was glad that Mr. Hilliard had been so prompt in returning to Gold Valley, for he felt that the sinking of the shaft in the Shonbar should be commenced at the earliest possible moment.

There was also a feeling of regret far down in his heart that he had not found an opportunity to know more of the fair Ruth, the remembrance of whose laughing blue eyes, almost the color of the violets she loved so well, and perfect freedom from affectation, hovered near him with a distinctness he had never before experienced with any of his female acquaintances.

He was in this state of mind when the police reporter came in, declaring he was disgusted with the scarcity of crime.

"I say, Freddie, it's getting to be a pretty pass when a fellow has to rummage all over the city for a few crumbs of accidental deaths, heartless murders street brawls or shooting affairs."

Before Fred had time to reply the religious editor began swearing about the uninteresting sermons he had been compelled to report of late.

The dramatic critic observed that he presumed writing sermons was rather stupid business at best, but if the reading public could endure them, the religious editor ought to be able to do so at sixty dollars a week.

"By Jupiter, old boy," you're about right," said the religious editor, as he begged a light from the dramatic editor for his briarwood pipe, saying that he did not know with whom he would rather mix smoke than a representative of the footlights. He then clapped Fred in a jocular way and said:

"Freddie, old boy, what makes you so glum?"

"Scoops are scarce," replied Fred, without raising his eyes from the copy he was revising. "Scarce," chimed in the city editor, "I should say so. We have not had such a thing as a scoop about the office for many transitory ones—stimulated possibly by the enthusiasm of her father. He did not pause to analyze the sustaining assurance months; however, I reckon we should be such creative geniuses that we could take an old story and redress it so cleverly that it would not be recognized even by its own author; but it does keep one hustling to fool the people all the time and entertain them as well."

"Journalism," interposed the dramatic critic, "is the most potential force on earth. In some ways it is the noblest work among men. It is a mirror that dramatizes the daily history of civilization. Instead of moulding it creates public sentiment. It may be the making or the undoing of earthly ambition. It plucks from and places stars in the firmament of the theatrical heavens. Indeed, journalism is another name for progress. The very lightning from the throne of Jove is robbed to assist in telling to mankind the daily story of this grand old world of ours."

"Bravo," said the police reporter.

"I am beginning to believe," said Fred, "that journalism is pure drudgery, without hope of reward, and there is no refuge from its dreariness but the hardest and most constant work."

"Why, Fred, you astonish me," replied the religious editor. "A fellow with as bright a future in the profession as you making such a remark as that causes me to think you are growing cynical, dear boy, and cynics are only old dilapidated furnaces with the fires burned out. Think of the opportunities which journalism affords."

"What opportunities?" inquired Fred, "have you or I or any other member of this staff excepting those of which we have no right to take advantage? I freely admit that there is a fascination about the profession of journalism, an influence, if you please, that holds us in the rut much the same as the current of a mighty river—always draws everything into the center where the water is swiftest—but the individuality of the most talented of us is completely absorbed by the great octopus that we are daily and nightly striving with our best efforts of brawn and brain to keep supplied with news."

"Good," shouted the police reporter, "there is not an ordinary prize fighter in the land but has more individual reputation than any of us. Fred is right in what he says."

At this point in their conversation a note was handed to Rockwell. It was a polite request to report at the chief's office at ten o'clock the next morning. After hastily glancing over it Fred read it aloud.

"I say, Fred, that's a little rough. However, don't look through blue glasses," said the religious editor, between vigorous puffs at his pipe, "it may be a step up."

It was an open question with the members of the force whether a formal summons into the presence of the chief without any intimation of the nature of the interview was a good omen or otherwise.

"Possibly," responded Fred, "but I rather surmise it must be a step up."

"Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof," observed the dramatic critic. "It's ten o'clock, boys; let us adjourn to the lunch room and talk over the chief's letter."

A half dozen of as jolly young fellows as could be found anywhere were soon seated around a table at Tortoni's cafe, partaking of the stereotyped newspaper man's lunch. As a result of their deliberations there were many hopeful expressions for the benefit of Fred, but there was, however, an unspoken undercurrent of general belief that his interview with the chief would not result satisfactorily, but Fred was slow to share this feeling.

A silence fell upon the group. Presently Fred said, in a half timid out-loud sort of way: "Boys, our love for things and people we are about to lose increases in proportion as the danger of separation becomes apparent, doesn't it? Editors are really the world's noblest soldiers, for they most zealously guard the characters and morals not only of individuals, but entire communities, and I am beginning to appreciate you and the work, as I fear there is some danger of having to cut it all."

His observations were silently seconded by his co-laborers, as they returned to their respective desks.

When the day's work had been finished and Fred hurried for his elevated train that night, he thought again of demure little Ruth, a decidedly charming product of the western hills. With her had come into his life in some unaccountable way a suggestion of hope—perhaps only a that he experienced; he only knew that it was a comforting consolation that took off the keen edge of the depression that he otherwise would have felt concerning his coming interview with his chief.

Arriving at his rooms, he sat before the open grate fire, looking into the future through the red flame of prophetic vision.

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l reports show a shortage of coal. There is only a short amount during the month of July. Wheat yield is considered larger.

The ocean government board apologizes for the recent outrages, but the preparations to restore the Spanish contingent will be only 600 men.

Williams conducts dinner on board the Hohenzoller. Emperor Nicholas being here are rowing crews of the warships in honor, the sovereigns prizes.

Sixty Turkish troops invade Paderborn and massacre many Christians in the town of Urumburg.

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Venezuela advises Belgium that the disputed claims of Belgian creditors will be paid in accordance with the decision of the Hague Tribunal.

The British proposal at The Hague for a reduction of armaments is modified to meet the objections of Germany, the motion now says that limitation is "highly desirable."

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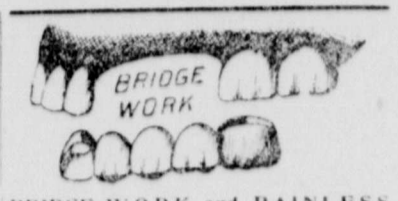
England forms an alliance with Russia to safeguard the Indian frontier.

The one board medical examiners met in Austin and organized Dr. H. E. Daniel of Honey Grove was elected president. Two homeopaths, two eclectics, one physio-medical, one osteopath and five allopaths, regulars, constitute the board.

The Empress Dowager of China has determined to abdicate the next Chinese New Year, giving up the throne to the emperor. The grand council has been called to take action.

Secretary Taft's scheme for the reorganization of the Panama Canal Board goes into effect. It means the transfer of much work from Washington to the isthmus where the offices of the secretary will be located.

The French minister of public works approves a plan to connect the valley of the Rhine with Marseilles by canal.



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THE BIG FINE.

The crucial point in the fight against the Standard Oil monopoly is whether the big fine will be paid or not. John D. Rockefeller is reported to have said that Judge Landis will be dead a long while before the fine is paid. This means that every device known to the shrewdest legal minds will be employed before the fine is paid, and in order that it may not be paid. If Judge Landis is sustained and the fine collected, this puts an end to the arrogance of the monopoly. On the other hand, if the case is reversed the people will feel that little real progress has yet been made in fighting this trust.

The Standard Oil company of Indiana, with only a million dollars capital, claims that the fine is exorbitant. But Judge Landis holds that the real defendant is the Standard Oil company of New Jersey, with a capital of one hundred million dollars, worth in the market today on the basis of dividends about two and a half times that sum. Here the crime was committed in the name of the smaller corporation, while the real offender was the large corporation. This is common sense and law.

If the judgment shall stand and the fine be paid, it is clear to every man that the company will make it back by cutting the price paid for crude oil and by raising the price on the refined oil products of all classes. What recourse have the people then against such a monopoly? Would it not be far better to impose the other penalty, too, imprisonment, on those responsible for these violations of the laws?

The other day the courts of North Carolina were fining and imprisoning ticket agents of the Southern railway for violating a law enacted by the state. All well and good. The federal court was set to work on the case, and while all was grinding along merrily, as courts do sometimes grind, President Finley came within the jurisdiction of the state, speedily a truce was patched up with the state so that no high official of the road need go to prison. It occurs to us that here is a good lesson to be learned in the proper method of dealing with the trusts.

STATE RIGHTS AND THE RAILROADS.

Six months ago the railroads were looking to the state for relief in regulation from federal government. The states took up the matter of regulating the railroads of their own accord and now the railroads are looking to the national government for relief from the states. The past winter saw three hundred bills enacted into laws for dealing with railroad affairs in the various states.

The results of some of these laws have been rather noteworthy. Conflicts were brought about between the state and federal courts in North Carolina and Virginia, with a truce that meant a surrender on the part of the railroads. Alabama revoked the franchise of the Southern railway because that road removed a civil case in first instance from the state to the federal court, contrary to a law enacted by the legislature. Arkansas threatened to do the same with the Rock Island. In both cases the railroads had to yield to the states.

Many papers have had much to say of the "nullification" of the rights of the railroads by this legislation on the part of the states. The roads claim that they should be allowed to go into the federal courts. But the

states are in the right here, and there is no attempt to nullify the rights of the roads. The proper method of procedure is to appeal, when necessary, from the higher state courts to the supreme court of the United States. The railroads want to transfer the case direct, instead of taking the means open to them under the constitution.

Further, it does not seem to be good policy for the railroads thus to try to get out of the jurisdiction of the state courts in the first instance. The feeling of state's rights is strong all over the south, and in the whole country. These states have only acted within their rights in demanding that the railroads observe the due processes of law. The federal courts are only appellate in character, and it behooves the corporations to hold themselves in subjection to the laws of the states in which they do business.

Reports from Washington say that President Roosevelt may suggest legislation by the next congress to lessen the power of the state in the matter of railroad regulation, and that even a constitutional amendment may be proposed. Such is not necessary. The courts have held that legislation cutting down the earnings of the railroad below a reasonable amount of income on capital invested is confiscation, the taking of property without due process of law, and so unconstitutional. At the same time the courts had nothing to say about the amount of water upon which dividends must be paid also.

Therefore, railway wealth cannot be destroyed by the states. The courts of the states are open to the railroads, as they are open to the people, and the railroads should look to these courts first, with always the right to appeal from the highest courts of the state to the supreme court of the United States. There is no need of any modification of the powers of the states and the national government in dealing with railroad matters. What is needed is the enforcement to the limit of the laws now standing regarding rebates, discriminations and all unfair and business-like practices of the roads.

PARTY GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC OPINION.

"I do not say that party government is a failure, but I do say the party government claiming to be the representative of public opinion is a humbug."

If Henry Watterson was looking for a fine example of the truthfulness of the words recently spoken in an address in Kentucky he had but to turn to Texas. The recent election held to put the seal of approval by the people on certain measures enacted by the legislature in carrying out the platform demands of a great party showed clearly enough that the people do not necessarily speak through a party. In fact they generally do not. Not often do they have an opportunity to express the candid opinion of laws enacted, supposedly in accordance with their wishes and presumably for their good. When they do they generally show themselves wiser than the party leaders who presume to speak for them.

A party is a makeshift, but a tool the people must use in governing themselves, and but a sorry tool withal. Thomas Carlyle long ago defined man as a "tool using animal," and no better definition has been found. Oftentimes the tool proves to be a dangerous one in the hands of its user. The people find themselves saddled with laws that they do not want; they find themselves obliged to do things or to refrain from doing things contrary to their wishes and their best judgment. The personal equation cannot be eliminated from the

representatives of the people. Therefore these representatives but half represent the people. Rather they largely represent themselves and the interests that put them in power over people. Partyism is but a stage in the progress of a people toward pure democracy. But a stage that generations to will pass beyond it and reach a higher level of political life.

HOME CANNING.

I am canning most of my fruit this season; have converted early fruit into something of 12,000 3-pound cans of peaches and expect to convert my Elberta crop into something of 20,000 3-pound cans of peaches. Have just begun on them; put up a little of 3,000 3-pound cans and have a few stragglers who have been relish and rapacious as to fruit, sample some of them and they invariably pronounce them equal to California fruit. I prefer hearing the voice of the girls singing while they are doing their work to the voice of comic ads. of the commission men who live on the fruit of labor and make us pay for their comic newspaper cuts.

Tell the growers to put up their fruit or sell direct to the canning plants and then they will put this hungry herd of parasites to work.—Jas. N. Gaston, Pickton, Texas.

AN UP-TO-DATE VIEW.

"Have you seen the latest thing?" asked his friend, who had come along after he had been standing for five minutes on a subway platform.

"Yes," he said; "I'm waiting for it now. I'm married to it."

A WORSE FATE.

It is related that a man in a hurry for a train rushed for into the first hand restaurant

It was not even a good restaurant. To his surprise and horror he recognized in the waiter an old school and college friend.

"Good heavens, my dear fellow," he cried, "How did you happen to come to this?"

"It's not so bad as you think," said his friend. "I only wait here. I don't dine here."—Punch.

WHAT WAS GOING ON.

Little Bobby's Aunt Helen went to spend the night at Bobby's house. She slept in the room next to the nursery.

In the morning she heard Bobby making a great fuss about being dressed. She called through the register which is between the two rooms.

"Bobby! Bobby! What's going on down there?"

The answer came back promptly in a pitiful wail, "My 'toekin is Harper's."

Governor Campbell has appointed delegates from each congressional district to the waterways convention to be held at Memphis. Mayors of cities may also appoint delegates.

The banks at Lockhart agree to loan farmers \$85,000, or as much as needed, on cotton stored in the warehouses at Lockhart, Tuling and Maxwell, at 6 per cent, so that they may hold their cotton.

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EDITOR COTULLA RECORD,
Cotulla, Texas.

Dear Sir: As a reader of your paper and a tax payer in your county, I have for some time noted with much interest the highly commendable agitation on part of the Cotulla Record, your Business Mens Club, and County officers in the direction of cleaning up in Cotulla and making your town more attractive. I am glad to see that you are meeting with success and I cheerfully contribute five dollars, which I enclose you, to be used on the improvement of your public square. Nothing is a better recommendation to your country and town than a clean, neat and attractive appearance of the town where your visitors make their stop. The first impression if it is bad, is hard to overcome, while a good impression has its lasting beneficial effect.

Cotulla should, and I believe will, become for all times the leading city between San Antonio and the Mexico Border. Your development is in its infancy, but you have abundant proof of endless resources and wealth that will be developed and that cannot remain idle. Of course, the people of Cotulla and La Salle County are the ones who will be benefitted most by a development of the country. Therefore, it is well to bear in mind that success comes to him who helps himself, and I urge you to continue your good work.

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The total number of children of scholastic age in Texas last year was \$69,804 and now it is \$93,441. The total amount apportioned for the past two years was \$4,349,320. This gave a per capita of \$5. This increase for the coming fiscal year is due to the fact that the school tax law provides that the school tax shall be fixed at not less than \$1 per capita, and then there has also been quite an increase of land sales and leases which goes to the valuable school fund.

LA SALLE GETS \$5514.

Under the apportionment made for the school children this year La Salle county will get \$5514, divided among the school districts as follows:

Cotulla	\$2778.00
Encinal	1380.00
Millett	612.00
Artesia	342.00
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Buckow	138.00
County Line	120.00

WILL BE BUT 12 1-2 CENTS.

STATE TAX REDUCED FROM TWENTY CENTS.

Austin, Aug. 20.—The state tax board today fixed state ad valorem tax rate at 12 1-2 cents per one hundred dollars valuation, a reduction from twenty cents last year.

This is based on total estimated assessed valuation of nearly \$1,707,000,000, an increase of nearly \$400,000,000, including \$272,000,000 of intangible assets.

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But something impelled George to speak. The longing that urged up from his very heart must find expression in words. Therefore he had spoken.

"What is it George?" she whispered. "It may involve some sacrifice on your part darling. But believe me, Laura, it is for the best."

"What is it, George?" she repeated in a voice that trembled as if with a vague foreboding of coming disaster.

"You will believe me, dearest," he said, with an agitation becoming every moment more uncontrollable, "when I say that I am driven to ask it by circumstances over which I have no control, that I have pondered long over it, and am not acting from hasty impulse?"

"Yes! Yes!" the beautiful girl exclaimed, with quivering lips. "What is it you ask, George? What is it?"

"Darling" he said—and the wild imploring looked in his face thrilled her to the inmost depths of her being—I wish you would sit on the on the other knee a while. This one is getting horribly tired!"

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W. A. KERR, Secretary.

Returned From Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Cotulla returned Monday from a two months absence in the City of Mexico. They report a very pleasant stay, and Mr. Cotulla liked it so well he purchased a residence in the Mexican Capitol, and will hereafter spend the summers there. He thinks that the finest climate in the world.

Notice W. O. W.

All sovereigns that have not done so will please make arrangement with the banks or their places of transacting business to pay their dues on the 27th of each month. By doing this will save a great deal of unnecessary work.

Yours fraternally,
B. F. CLAUNCH,
Clk. La Salle Camp No. 125.

To Property Owners.

The Business Men's Club urges all parties who own vacant lots in Cotulla have same cleaned up and brush cut therefrom. A large per cent of the vacant lots have already been cleaned, but there are yet some scattering ones that need attention badly, and if owners will not clean them up, the Club would like to have permission to do so.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Labor Day will be celebrated in Cotulla.

Max A. Goeth was in Cotulla from Marble Falls last week.

Ed Horton of Artesia was in town Wednesday.

Ike Shull was in town yesterday from Millett.

Cotulla now has three daily passenger trains South.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Shull were in the city from Millett Monday.

Wm. Shnaekel, the piano man made a trip to Eneinal first of the week.

Mrs. J. W. McInnis of Artesia was among the visitors to our city during the week.

"Happy Home" is the shoe for this weather, sold by Y. P. Bowen & Co.

Kurt Shroeter of Double Horn, Texas, was in Cotulla a day or two this week.

Judge Frank B. Earnest made a business trip to the Alamo City first part of the week.

Gold Head umbrellas, something fine at Hall's. Suitable for engraving.

Yesterday it was demonstrated how badly Front Street needed to be clayed.

YOUR NEW FALL SUIT—REED

Rev. T. G. Wools has been at Millett the greater part of this week conducting a revival.

The younger set enjoyed a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Neal last night.

Mrs. Margarette Jordan of San Antonio, accompanied by her son, Hugh, is in the city spending a few days with Mrs. O. E. Boutwell.

J. I. Hill of the Dobie Ranch was in town yesterday.

J. H. Daniel is building a large onion barn on his farm down the river.

Mrs. Florence W. Yaeger, proprietress of the Buena Vista Hotel at Millett was in Cotulla Monday.

Mrs. Ed Cotulla of Laredo is in the city visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Poole.

Mrs. J. B. Brown moved to Millett this week. Mr. Peters now has charge of the Blue Front Restaurant.

Mrs. Ingram, who spent a week here the guest of Miss Lula Philipe, left Thursday for her home in San Antonio.

Misses Louise and Katherine Bowen, who have been away for several months attending school at Cuero returned home yesterday.

The greatest bargains in remnants of laces you ever saw now on exhibition at Y. P. Bowen & Co.

Miss Christie Steele returned home Wednesday from Wealder where she has been the past three weeks on a visit to Mrs. Mae Brooks.

W. M. Moore of Millett was down one day during the week. Mr. Moore has sold his farm, but has possession until November 1st.

George Robbins of Wilson County was here this week prospecting. Mr. Robbins said a hail storm destroyed his corn crop this year, and the cotton crop was going to be mighty light.

J. H. Gates returned to Cotulla Wednesday from Cheapside, where he had spent a month or more. He said the cotton crop in Dewitt was very short this season, the average yield being estimated at a bale to fifteen acres.

T. J. Alderman of Artesia, the Buena Vista Hotel of Millett each favored this office with an order for 1000 Note Heads this week.

Dr. J. M. Talbott and wife at home again after an absence of two months, which time spent in North Texas, Miss and Nebraska. They report a fine trip. The doctor says they are poor in Missouri this year.

Judge F. B. Earnest has chased Mr. G. Philipe's residence and will move his family here Millett. Mr. Philipe and family will move to San Antonio. Philipe went up Thursday to see about getting a place.

Ed Evetts has charged the street cleaning gang an making good roadway. Another week's fry street in Cotulla will be clean and if of vacant lots do the right, the entire town will be clean. The portion of the town back of the Court House which has been a dense jungle is now assuming the appearance of a city.

The new road grader for the county has arrived. We suggest that as a starter they are learning how to run thing, they practice on front street. This street is without doubt sandiest street in the and we believe if it was graded put in shape it would trouble to raise money from property holders to clay it.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Kerr ed first of the week from semi-annual buying trip to S. They report a pleasant trip bought as many goods as if not more. Mr. Kerr says found that first class goods and the more he has in stock more he sells. Some of the are already arriving and the shipments is a lot of winter shoes that are right date in appearance and the guarantees the quality.

Andrew Armstrong, Jr., formerly a prominent ranchman of Cotulla, now of Hondo, was in the city this week on business. While here he paid the Record a pleasant call and had his subscription run up till 1908.

The Improvement Committee of the Business Men's Club has commenced the work of cleaning out every street in the town, and the jungles on some of the main thoroughfares will be wiped out in the next few days. The I. & G. N. has promised and are expected to clear up their right of way to the town limits each way. The fence for the plaza is here and work of erecting it will begin next week. Many of our citizens have donated liberally for the improvement of our town while others have not. More money will be needed to complete the work and the property owners who have not subscribed to the Fund should do so, as he is helping himself when he does it. In this connection we call attention to a letter published in this issue in regard to this work, which shows what people outside think about it.