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Our Customers

Embrace Our Goods!

And Leave our Store with Arms Filled with Bargains.

We can not begin to mention all the good values but here are a few among the many:



T. J. Noland,

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OUR LINE of pants are the best thing in town for the money. We can fit you both in size and price.

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OUR DRY GOODS and Furnishing Line is kept replenished every week with fresh, new goods. You can always find bargains in them. Our Prints 4 and 5 cents; Lawns at 5 cents and Piques at 7 cents are bargains that are seldom found in these days of high prices.

IN SHIRTS and Underwear we can knock 'em all out alike. We are here to stay and to do that, we must and will protect your interests. Always get our prices before you purchase.

Thanking you for your Liberal Patronage in the past. I AM

YOURS FOR BUSINESS,

T. J. Noland.

The Base Ball.

To The Agitator:

As long as the base ball was used as a recreation for tired minds like the school boys town ball, it was an innocent game, but when they began to have match games on Sunday the thing soon became a hot bed of corruption. Some have even gone so far as to make base ball playing a profession. The idea of a human being endowed with proper faculties to make a man, then turn out to be a professional base ball player, I had just as soon see a boy of mine become a professional doodle bug herder. When I see a bunch of big, lazy, beefy young men, going about the country day after day and week after week, with nothing to do but to play base ball, I am bound to think that the Darwinian theory is entitled to some consideration. However it seems to me that the evolution has gone the wrong way; if evolution is getting higher then it occurs to me that the monkey should be the successor and the professional base ball player the ancestor.

I wish in this connection to record two indictments against base ball gaming as it is now practiced:

First, it is spending much precious time in gaming which should be spent in preparing the mind and heart for future usefulness. Thousands of young men and older ones too, are finding plenty of time to play base ball, dominoes and checkers, who will tell you that they have no time to read good books or to prepare a Sunday school lesson. Young men who take to the Sunday base ball and turn their backs on the Sunday schools are the kind that are filling up our penitentiaries. I see it stated that the chaplain of one of our State prisons inquired particularly of seven hundred inmates to know if they had been brought up in the Sunday school, and he found only two who had been brought up that way.

Second, the average base ball

player has no regard for the Sabbath. There can hardly be any thing found which has done more to bring about the present disregard for the Sabbath than the base ball, and a stab at our Christian Sabbath is a stab at our Christian civilization. The Lord's day being the day on which our Lord arose from the dead. It is His flag or ensign, and any desecration of that day is a denial of his Lordship and a direct insult to Christ. Parents think of these things when you see your boy start off to the Sunday base ball. C. G. SHUTT, Barry, Texas.

WHY?

We notice one of our exchanges answers a subscriber as to why said paper did not come out strong and plain on social evils and matters pertaining to morality. That it was not the duty or within the province of a newspaper to do so but that it was the duty of the pulpit to do such work. Then we would like to know what is the mission of the modern newspaper? To give an account of all kinds of crime, fill its columns with accounts of the latest prize fight and boom some fellow for Congress or some other office, when they know he is a drunkard, libertine and everything else that is vile because he pays them a few dollars and then cowardly sneaks out by saying it is the preacher's duty to do that. There is a lot of officers in this country that won't enforce the law unless the preachers constantly agitate the subject. As far our part, we believe today, that in point of opportunity, next to the pulpit and the school room comes the press, in raising the morals and moulding a pure healthy sentiment, and the editor like the preacher, that keeps silent while the great battle of Christianity and moral reform is being waged is a coward, a hypocrite and a Judas.

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KIND WORDS.

MAITLAND, Colo., May. 12.
REV. J. R. HENSON,
Clarendon, Tex.

Dear Sir and Friend:—I enclose P. O. money order for \$1.25 for payment of one year's subscription to the AGITATOR and the Semi-weekly Dallas News as per your advertisement. I am afraid you would drop me from your list and I cannot do without the AGITATOR. Wishing you continuous success, I am,

Yours Very Truly,
JNO. W. JONES.

Mr. Jones was at one time a citizen of Clarendon and knows how to appreciate and take advantage of a good thing when he sees it. We are glad to know that he and his family are well and prospering in their present home.

BOSQUEVILLE, Tex., May 14.

Dear Bro.:—I want to say to you for your encouragement that the Alligator (AGITATOR,) grows on me from week to week. I happen to know something of the nature of the alligator, it is a destroyer you know, and the way

you are managing yours it is destroying lawlessness, such as Sabbath desecration, base ball, gambling, etc. You are speaking out on these questions. Go it, and all good people will uphold you in the great fight you are making against these and other evils so destructive to our young men. I especially wanted to thank you for your editorial headed the DEAD LINE. The decline of spirituality, if any, is because of this restless, worldliness, pleasure seeking. Let us hold up the standard high, notwithstanding, we know some people will not stand sound doctrine. What will become of the people if we, as preachers, pander to the worldly wishes of a world loving people; let us preach a faith that overcomes the world. See 1 Jno. 5 and 4; and for a definition of what the world is, see Jno. 2, 16. The complaints will come, but we know what a message our Lord has given us. Let us contend for the right and our message will prevail. Success to you. I rejoice at your great prosperity. Go on. I am,

Yours truly,
C. S. CAMERON.
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FRANK KENDALL, Bus. Mngr.

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Special Notice!

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ONE dry goods house kept open nearly all day Sunday. We think this a shame, while the other merchants close. It does seem like he would close for the sake of decency, if he cared nothing for law and order. A merchant must be hard pressed to steal the Lord's day, and force his clerks to stay away from church, in order to lay up a few dollars. We believe this man will lose more than he makes by such, for this is not a land of heathens and infidels, but Christian people and they will not patronize a man that has so little regard for God and man and the best interests of a community. No wonder such a man will not advertise in the AGITATOR.

THE Methodists need a much larger church in Clarendon. For some time the house has been full to overflowing each Sunday. We have done what we could to accommodate the crowd by seating the children around the railing and adding chairs and yet people are turned away for want of room. If the Sunday school continues to increase as in the past it will reach 300 enrollment soon; while 123 have been added to our church membership in the past four months.

SHOT SNAPS.

If you want to get thoroughly disgusted take your stand some Saturday on a street corner and get a snap shot at the "bum crowd" in front of these hell holes called saloons.

A newspaper, whose editor has no more conscience than to advertise an old fortune teller as a couple of our exchanges did last week is as great a fake as the old woman they advertise.

A town that has to dress up a lot of boys in "mother hubbards" to get up some excitement is about dead. Don't you think so?

A good way to stop those crowds that block the sidewalk in front of the saloons would be to vote for prohibition.

If there is a law against selling goods all day Sunday we will see it tested when the next grand jury meets.

If the saloons in Clarendon don't sell whisky on Sunday, then why do they have "bar keepers" on that day?

Who sold those fellows their whisky that got drunk Sunday? The next grand jury may be able to find out.

From the amount of cursing on the base ball grounds last Saturday the rule against swearing must be a dead letter.

Parents, if you don't want your little boys to learn to swear, keep them away from the ball ground.

Why is it the less sense a boy has and the more he combs his hair down over his eyes and looks like an Ape the more popular he is with the girls?

A truly sensible girl will never have many beaux at a time as sensible young men, like the opposite sex, are scarce these days.

If you want your articles read never make them over a half column long, and one page of "fools cap" paper closely written will make that much. So remember this.

AMOS RUSIE, the leading spirit in the N. Y. base ball team, has become so trifling and absolutely worthless that his wife has brought suit for divorce, and we think she ought to have it.

THE Catholics working in the Bigelow Carpet company, which employs 400 weavers struck because the agent refused to dismiss 30 Protestants and put Catholics in their place. How does that sound to Americans.

STATE UNIVERSITY BOYS.

A full fledged sensation was produced in political circles in Austin this week, when District Judge Morris convened a special grand jury and gave a very strong charge against some alleged illegal voting in the recent primary election there. We clip from the Dallas News, of May 15th, the following from the charge of Judge Morris:

After an exhaustive discussion of illegal voting the following appears:

"But above this important interest of the people of Travis county there is a higher interest involved in the question, which should enlist the professional interest of the whole people of Texas who take a pride in the welfare and prosperity of the great university that has been placed in our midst. The fact is notorious in this community that the boys of Texas who are sent here to finish their educations and receive ideals of life are many of them led into disreputable political practices which not only constitute violations of the law, but which debase and corrupt the youth of the land, in that subterfuge, falsehood and violations of election laws are encouraged and held up as something smart for the boys to engage in. While this course is frowned on by nearly all of the faculty of the university, yet there is a strong influence there somewhere which causes a repetition of these scenes at each party convention or primary election and at general elections. It is the duties of the grand juries of Travis county to help to protect this grand institution which has been placed here from the corroding effects of such influences, and if this grand jury shall be able to reach this evil, even with indictments for misdemeanors against any one who may have exerted such an influence, based upon satisfactory evidence they will not only have vindicated the law, but may also exert some influence which will redound to the good of the State University."

In another paragraph the charge calls upon the grand jury not to stop at indicting illegal voters, but that they should give special attention to those who hold positions in the university and influence boys to do criminal acts. He orders the grand jury to bring all ballot boxes, tally-sheet election returns, poll lists, etc., before them. The result of the investigation is anxiously awaited.

From the above we would infer "There is something rotten in Denmark" (State University.) What parents could feel safe in sending their son to the State University knowing that they would be under such influences. As for ourselves we believe higher education ought to be under Christian influences; however the state owes protection to the young men there from such blighting influences as are supposed to exist and we honor Judge Morris, that he had the good sense to see these things and the courage to call attention to them and do his best to put a stop to these evil practices done in the name of practical politics. It is the result of extreme partisan politics—Perpetuating themselves in office—and office getting. It is indeed time to call a halt and do some investigating. Let every district judge and newspaper speak out against "political crimes" done by "practical politics" in behalf of "partisan politics."

NOTICE PARENTS.

—Tex., May, 12, 1900.

To The Agitator.

I would like to tell the parents that read your noble paper a little secret; while you are airing the base ball craze, Here it is: Some time ago a certain town invited the team of another town to play a match game of base ball, and the invitation was accepted and upon reaching said town they were treated in a "hostile manner," at least that is what the writer would call it, they were asked to step in the saloon and take a drink; but the kind treatment did not stop here. At night hacks were sent to the hotel for them to go—where do you suppose—well it is not best, possibly, to state here, but it was a place where many of these young men had never been, and no town that has decent officers will allow. All this happened in the panhandle and we can prove every word as stated. OLD FOGY.

The above facts ought to startle parents who have sons belonging to base ball teams. From an entirely reliable private source, we learn that the matters mentioned above are facts, and as the writer says every word can be proven. It would pay some parents to do some private investigating. When your son is wandering over the country at base ball match games these parents ought to repeat, "Oh, where is my wandering boy tonight," and then make a special effort to find out, so as to be able to answer their own question.

TIME TO CALL A HALT.

We think it time to put a stop to the now prevalent practice of breaking wild horses on our public streets; also boys and even men racing their horses on the street. It is dangerous and unless it is stopped, is liable to result in the killing or maiming of some child. We hope this notice will cause those who engage in any of the above practices to quit it, but if they do not we hope our officers will put a stop to it. There is a law against such.

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Many birds of many kinds,
Many flours of many brands,
Yet White Falcon leads the van.

TRY A SACK AND BE CONVINCED,

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Estimates cheerfully furnished on all kinds of repair work.

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Do you like a good shave? Of course you do. Then you should go to

Barrett's Barber Shop

where you will always receive the best work. Hair cutting a specialty. Hot and cold baths at all hours.

Give us a Trial.

Local News Notes.
A. M. BEVILLE, Editor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector,
W. H. OLIVER,

Straw Hats, straw hats; T. J. Noland has them.

Armours gold band meats at W. T. Jones.

Fred L. Finch is spending the week here visiting friends.

Tavoy Madras, at only 10 cents per yard at Noland's.

Dr. Morris spent last Monday out at his ranch near Giles.

Peacemaker flour defies competition, Sold by Sims the grocer.

All kind of garden and field seeds at W. T. Jones.

10 Photos 40 cents. For two weeks only. English Photo Co.

Great bargains, those Piques at Noland's. Only 10 cents per yard.

Mrs. A. C. Barrett, left this morning for Vernon on a visit to her parents.

W. T. Jones carries a full and complete line of Hawk Eye pickles and relishes.

For the latest styles, shades and patterns in wall paper, see HILL & DECKER.

W. M. Easum spent the past week out at his ranch seeing to the planting of a large feed crop.

10 Photos 40 cents. English Photo Co. Next door to Banner office.

WANTED—At once, a woman to do laundry work. Apply at the Clarendon Steam Laundry.

For bread of all kind, King of Kansas flour, can't be beat. W. T. JONES.

E. A. Taylor has sold his Blacksmith shop to a Mr. Terrell of Denton a brother of our townsman Will Terrell.

Hill & Decker will buy 2 goods, and pay you all they are worth. Give them a call.

Come out to the Methodist Parsonage Friday night. The ladies have provided so that you can have a pleasant time.

L. A. Caldwell, of Quanah, spent two or three days here this week visiting a FRIEND?

Do not fail to see Anderson's goods before you purchase. He is rock bottom on prices and the quality cannot be excelled.

W. S. Heuson, who has been visiting his son Rev. J. R. Heuson left yesterday to visit his brother at Panhandle Texas.

Of all the flours that have been seen, White Falcon still is reigning Queen; She leaves an impress, makes a track, And is for sale by Caldwell & Jacques.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Ramsey are attending the Southern Baptist Convention at Hot Springs Ark. They will visit and recreate for a month or so before returning

For hardware, singletrees, doubletrees, chains, collars, pads &c., see Anderson. He will give you a hard times price.

10 Photos 40 cents. They are making them by the thousands and they are nice ones too. English Photo Co.

All kind of repairing and upholstering neatly and quickly done, at prices that are reasonable, HILL & DECKER.

Enginer Michael is building a neat 4 room residence in the East part of town which will be completed in a few days when he will move his family here from Wichita Falls.

Peacemaker flour takes premiums at St. Louis and Dallas Fairs. Take no other. See John T. Sims.

T. J. Noland is having a gravel walk made between his store and that of H. W. Taylor, a good thing. We hope others will do likewise.

Q. Moore of Moore's ranch in Armstrong county spent a few days here the past week visiting his two little children, who stay with their Aunt Mrs. Dr. Nelson.

10 Photos 40 cents. As to our reliability we refer you to Quannah National Bank, Quannah, Texas, ENGLISH PHOTO CO.

Forest B. Stocking came down from Texline Saturday on a visit to his family. Mrs. Stocking has been in very poor health for some time but is reported to be improving. He returned to his work Tuesday night.

Mrs. S. P. Gray, and little son Herbert, returned to Colorado city, Colo., Tuesday night, after a six week visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Scott, at this place.

Anderson carries a larger line of high grade cheese than is carried between Fort Worth and Trinidad. When you want something that is nectar for the Gods see Anderson.

Lee Smith, county surveyor, returned the first of the week from a protracted stay with his family who are recuperating at Elgin Texas. He will be over-run with surveying now for awhile on account of the new land law which goes into effect on May 23rd.

They can all talk and argue, but when they come down to facts, in regard to the lowest prices and largest stock in Clarendon come and see, BEN CHAMBERLAIN.

H. W. Taylor has begun the erection of a handsome office at the rear end of his first store building. It will open into the main store buildings and a front opening on First street fronting the Post office.

Lots of rain this week. In our streets the mud holes get larger, the gullies deeper and at night the frogs are musical. Clarendon has many attractions both natural and artificial, but strangers prohibited from fishing in our ponds in the streets.

J. E. Griffin the popular manager of the Globe confectionery

is meeting the demands of his many customers with the latest fashionable drinks, and when it comes to making ice cream, he has no comparison. His Ice cream parlor is one of the coziest places in town, and all who call are simply delighted.

DON'T.
Don't go to the depot when the passenger train comes and buy your daily paper from the train dealer; patronize home people and buy from John Griffin.

Special Notice.
The annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of Clarendon College and University Training School are called to meet in Clarendon, on Saturday, June 2nd, 1900 J. D. STOCKING, President Board of Trustees.

Don't Forget?
There will be a "Cup Social" at the parsonage Friday night. Don't fail to come, there will be plenty of every thing good to eat such as cake, strawberries, ice cream, etc. All will receive free a souvenir cup. Come and help forward a good cause and see the new parsonage.

The Concert.
The initial performance of the Clarendon Orchestra at the court house on last Friday night was a decided success. A fair audience was present and everybody was well pleased. The music was of the high class, professional order, and some of the renditions were exceptionally fine. One thing that was noticeable to many was the fact that the audience was composed of our best cultured people and was free from that "hoodlum" element that usually attend cheaper concerts and performances of various kinds. The people of Clarendon feel justly proud of this home enterprise, and their first public performance was certainly a triumph.

On The Special One Thousand Donation to CLARENDON COLLEGE.

Previously Reported \$ 875 00
Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Calvery, Clarendon, 50 00
Various parties, Estelline 18 00
(Names can not be had to day)
Presiding Elder Hardy has assurance of the balance to complete the amount and we hope to be able to report it in our next issue.

J. T. Patman, the popular dry goods clerk of T. J. Noland, made a business trip to Goodnight last Sunday, to make arrangements, so we understand, to complete a course in the matrimonial line. He returned some time Sunday night and from that smile he wears it is evident that he is meeting with success. Jim told a representative of the AGITATOR, (confidentially) however, that it might take another trip or two to complete the course.

Commencement Exercises.

Following is the program of the Commencement Exercises of Clarendon College and University Training School, from June 1st to June 6th:

- Friday evening, June 1st, Art Levee.
- Sunday, June the 3rd, 11 o'clock, Annual Sermon. Rev. E. A. Bailey.
- Monday, evening, June 4th, Children's Recital.
- Tuesday, June 5, 10 o'clock, Oratorical Contest.
- Tuesday June 5, 4 o'clock, Readers' Contest.
- Tuesday evening, June 5, 8 o'clock, Music Recital.
- Wednesday morning, June 6th 10 o'clock, Annual Address. Rev. J. M. Sherman.
- Awarding of prizes. Announcements. W. B. McKOWN.

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CLARENDON, TEXAS.

Closing Of The Public School.

Our Public School will close its present term tomorrow. On Saturday the Teachers pupils, patrons and every one else that desire to join in will go to Cotton Wood springs, 4 miles South of town for a picnic. Let every one who can attend, do so, providing their own conveyance and if you have any spare conveyance room go by the school building and get some little child as it will be hard to provide conveyance for all the children of the public school which numbers over 300, now. There is a graduating class this year of six. The graduating exercises will be held at the courthouse next Thursday night. Clarendon is justly proud of her public school which under the efficient supervision of Prof. W. R. Silvey, who has completed his fifth year as superintendent has increased in efficiency each year until we believe it is the superior of any public school in North west Texas. Our public school building though a frame is a good one yet it is crowded and we badly need more room. We only wish some means could be devised to provide a first-class, commodious building in keeping with the size and character of the school, such as it deserves.

To Ex-Confederate re-union at Fort worth I will sell round trip tickets at \$8.35, on May 21st and 22nd. Good to return until May 24th.

F. A. KENNEDY, Agt.

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Sash, Doors, Blinds Building Material, Etc.,
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Write him when you want anything in the Jewelry Line. Mail Orders Solicited.
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Rubber Tire Buggies for Hire.

CLARENDON, - - TEXAS.

Mulberry Flat Items.

To The Agitator:

May, 14, 1900.

Sunday was the regular preaching day for the Methodists at this place, but Rev. Park, of Amarillo, the pastor in charge, was absent. It is rumored here that he has gone to Missouri and will perhaps bring back "a better half." Rev. J. N. Kendall had been requested to fill his appointment, but for some cause he failed to come, so the service was turned into a singing which everybody present seemed to enjoy. Dinner was served on the ground and there was plenty for all and to spare. Our community is hard to beat when it comes to singing, with such men as Profs. James Burson and Newton Bagwell as leaders.

Our farmers are progressing nicely with their work and everybody is wearing a smile of contentment.

The JA's are busy now with their ranch work. Three of the boys have happened to accidents this spring, Samuel Blankenship got tangled up while driving a team and was bruised up considerably; Charlie Murphy's horse fell on him and broke his collar bone; Mr. Timmons was also bruised up the same day by his horse falling on him.

Miss Bessie Dobson has returned home after quite a lengthy visit to friends in Wise, Clay and Wilbarger counties. She reports a pleasant time while away.

Mr. Taylor Hemphill and little daughter, of Milo, are visiting on the Flats.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford are the proud parents of a girl babe, born, May 2.

Oscar, the little son of Dr. J. C. Bagwell, who had the diphtheria this spring, and has been in delicate health ever since, is greatly improved.

This country, like many others, is undergoing a change. The lone prairies are being dotted here and there with villages, school houses, colleges and church houses. At the same rate of advancement it will not be long until we will equal if not surpass any country.

Mr. Newt Bagwell is making preparations to have a fine time this winter. He has sweetpotatoes out now, and sorghum up, which he intends to make a barrel of molasses out of, if nothing happens. We give notice now that he may look for us to call on him as soon as he gathers his potatoes. "Rastus."

Diablical Missionary Work.

At a meeting held in the interest of the saloon business, an officer of the liquor League of Ohio made the following address:

"It will appear from these facts gentlemen, that the success of our business is dependent largely upon the creation of appetite for drink. Men who drink liquor, like others, will die; and if there is no new appetite created, our counters will be empty, as will be our coffers. Our children will go hungry, or we must change our business to that of some other more remunerative. The open field for the creation of this appetite is among the boys. After men have grown and their habits are formed, they rarely change in this regard. It will be needful therefore, that missionary work be done among the boys; and I make the suggestion, gentlemen that nickels expended in treats to boys now, will return in dollars to your tills after the appetite has been formed. Above all things create an appetite!"

Mephistopheles himself could not plot in colder blood against the welfare of souls than words such as these disclose. It is hard to believe that even a saloon man would dare thus to speak. How many parents are willing to say by God's help and by properly voting I will save my son from the number in whom this accursed appetite is to be created for the perpetuation of this soul destroying business?

Call For County Democratic Convention.

By virtue of the authority vested in me as chairman of the democratic executive committee of Donley county, I hereby call a convention or mass meeting of democrats to meet in the court house in the city of Clarendon at 10 o'clock A. M., on the 2nd day of June, the same being the first Saturday in said month, for the purpose of selecting and instructing delegates to the various state and district conventions, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said convention. As very important business will come before said convention or mass meeting. All democrats are respectfully urged to be present and participate in same. H. B. WHITE, Chairman Democratic Executive Committee Donley county Texas.

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Insurance companies have made new a tariff of rates on dwellings in Texas which is as follows: Dwellings having all brick or stone chimneys or flues built from the ground \$1.00. Dwellings having all brick or stone flues not built from the ground \$1.25; same as present. Dwellings having any metal flues \$1.50. Metal flues to be renewed every four years. A. M. BEVILLE, Insurance Agent.



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The North bound train will leave Waco about 8:20 p. m., Fort Worth, 10:00 p. m., Dallas, 10:30 p. m., Texarkana, 7:45 a. m. Pine Bluff 1. p. m., and will reach Chicago about noon the next day.

The new train will carry a sleeper from Waco to Chicago, and a through chair car from Fort Worth to Chicago, besides the regular equipment of coaches and baggage car.

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