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Constitution, Prohibition and Democratic Ticket by Big Majority.

C. N. Haskell is elected governor by a majority of 50,000. State-wide prohibition carried by 35,000. The constitution is ratified by 115,000.

These are the results of Oklahoma's first state election—a landslide for the democrats, who are rejoicing throughout the two territories. The democrats will put a big majority of candidates in the state legislature and they have also elected all congressmen from the new state.

In several cities in Oklahoma Frantz had a small lead, but it was buried in later returns received from distant precincts. The republicans are making few claims and had not looked for a victory anyway, but expected to make a better showing.

Anarchist Grafters.

A grafter is but a thief and a thief is but an anarchist in a modified form, generally, but on occasions develops into a real bomb thrower. Such was the case in Joplin, Mo., last week when the office of the News-Herald was dynamited and its new perfecting press and linotype machines were destroyed at the dark hour of midnight. The paper was republican, but had been very diligent in ferreting out graft in official circles and seeking to get rid of it, and thus avoid exposure of their crimes, \$20,000 worth of property was destroyed in a twinkling. P. F. Burton, the editor of the News-Herald, is a curator of the University of Missouri.

Short Cotton Crop in Central Texas.

Sam J. Hampton, the Farmers' union scout, arrived in Fort Worth Tuesday from a trip through Collin, Hunt and Raines counties, taken in the interest of union work, says:

"No farmer in the section of the state visited by me on this trip is counting on more than half a yield, and many of them have become thoroughly disgusted since they began gathering their crops. Many fields will not be picked the second time. The most serious menace to the south this fall is the raid being made on the cotton market by organized bears. It looks to me like an organized conspiracy is up to frighten the farmer and get him to dump his cotton on the market for 11 or 12 cents, when it is really worth 20 cents. In fact, all cotton goods are being sold on the basis of 20-cent cotton. I am truly sorry to see the poor farmer being held up in any such manner. All the farmer needs is organization. When he has become thoroughly organized he will cease being buncoed. I am glad that union men are standing firm and will demand 15 cents for cotton."

Program B. Y. P. U., Sept. 22.

- Subject: "Christian Culture"—2 Tim. 2:15-16. Leader—W. A. Land.
- "Liberty Through Knowledge"—1 Cor. 8:1-13—Miss O'Neill.
- "Strife Through Ignorance"—1 Cor. 1:11-17—Miss Bessie Caraway.
- Paper—"Significance of the Ordinance"—Ror. 6:1-11—Miss Della Witt.
- Paper—"Strength Based on Knowledge"—2 Cor. 4:1-18—Miss Lola Lacy.
- Special song.
- Paper—"Value of the Word"—Pet. 1:1-9—Mr. Shannon.
- "The Basis of the Gospel"—Gal. 3:1-12—Miss Brown.
- MISS NEELY, President.
- ADRIAN BROWN, Secretary.
- Wint Bairfield made a business trip to Memphis Wednesday.

Profits \$200,000,000 in Seven Years.

Profits aggregating \$90,315,934 were made by the Standard Oil company in the seven years from 1899 to 1896.

Testimony to this effect was given by assistant Comptroller Fay of the company in the federal hearing in New York Tuesday. In the same period the company's gross earnings increased from \$200,760,623 to \$371,664,531. This is the first time the company's earnings have been made public.

OWNS WATERS PIERCE.

Mr. Kellogg questioned the witness at some length about the C. M. Pratt Investment company, the stock of which was shown to be held by the Standard Oil company. He said the Pratt company represented the stock of the Waters Pierce Oil Company of Texas, which he said was holding it for the Standard Oil company.

Mr. Kellogg developed the information that the C. M. Pratt Investment company came into existence at the time the Waters-Pierce Oil company was having difficulties with the state of Texas.

Voting Out Saloons in Missouri.

There are 41 counties in the state of Missouri where no dramshop licenses can be issued. There are six other counties where only the larger cities have saloons, and all other territory is "dry."

More than one-third of the counties of the state are now without dramshops, and the crusade against license is moving along, almost noiselessly, but advancing at a pace which, if maintained, will soon leave very few "wet" spots in the state outside of the large cities. That the anti-license element has been exceedingly active is in evidence from the strides lately made. In but one county (Lewis) local option was defeated. On the other hand, it recently carried Callaway, Morgan, Sullivan, De Kalb, Dade, Benton and Nodaway counties. In Nodaway county, however, the city of Maryville voted in favor of license.

War Death Agencies.

The best inventive genius in the world seems to be at work day and night to improve upon the present method of slaughter. The latest—or at least one of the latest productions—is a device by which one ship may blow up another with its own ammunition by means of an electrical wave. Perhaps after a while we shall work ourselves independent of power and shells, just as we have, in a measure, made ourselves independent of wires. Volts, not bullets, may be the missiles of warfare. Is it too fantastic to imagine the coming of such power to generate and control electricity as will enable men to destroy an army or a city with an unseen wave? The Peace Palace being built at The Hague may yet be converted into a memorial to those who have brought about peace by making war horrible.—The Dallas News.

Two children of O. W. Davis were burned to death near Avar, Ok., in a barn which was set on fire by a 4-year-old neighbor boy, with whom the children were playing. Two horses, a carriage and a buggy were consumed.

Chapman Dewitt, the young member of Troop B, whose back was broken in an accident at Camp Mabry last July and was afterwards taken to Amarillo, is making a recovery which the surgeons at Austin who first took his case pronounced impossible. His lower limbs are still paralyzed, but he has become able to raise himself almost to a sitting posture, and he is steadily gaining strength.

Judge Pope Says Sections of Anti-Pass Law Unconstitutional.

District Judge Pope, of Beaumont, attacks the anti-pass law before a case is tried and from the bench has told the grand jury to ignore certain provisions of the statute which to him do not appear to be able to stand the test of the courts.

In reference to the anti-pass law the court instructed the jury to not return bills of indictment against persons who are using transportation of railroad companies or franks of telegraph and telephone companies made prior to the day the law went into effect and not to return indictments against persons who have since made contracts with the railroads and the other companies mentioned in the ordinary course of business, where it did not work an injury to the welfare or morals of the people.

Judge Pope held that the legislature had no right to interfere with the right of private contract unless the contract might be harmful to the welfare or morals of the community or the people. That under the construction as published in the press the attorney general's office has ruled that in cases of wrecks upon railroads the railroads carry assistants to the scene of the wreck to care for the wounded and make repairs to the equipment, but the person so carried, if not connected with the railroad or in its employ, could not be returned free without a violation of the anti pass law. Judge Pope stated that this feature of the law could not stand a test in the courts, and the grand jury was instructed that if any such cases were brought to their knowledge not to indict.

Judge Pope said further: "Railroads have a right to contract with newspapers for advertising and pay for it in transportation, and individuals have a right to give right of way in return for transportation and free transportation may be furnished by the railroads in consideration of fuel or water or for other exchanges which may be covered by private contracts not affecting the public morals or welfare. If any complaints of this character are presented to the grand jury they are instructed not to return indictments."

Judge Pope also called attention to the law enacted by the last legislature for the protection of game in which there was one provision that prairie chickens should not be killed for five years and another allowing them to be killed between Nov. 1 and Jan. 1. He told the grand jury to ignore this if any complaints were made.

This is the first expression from the bench on the anti-pass law, and it will be of interest to all who have watched the progress of that statute.

Gov. Campbell has received an invitation from Gov. Malcolm R. Patterson, of Tennessee, to attend a conference to be held in Nashville in October by the textile representatives of the Cotton States. The question to be considered is the employment of child and female labor, and the possibility of suggesting a uniform law for the remedy of child and female labor. The governor of Tennessee also asks the governor of Texas to request representatives of the various cotton manufacturing establishments of the state to attend the convention.

A Georgia saloonkeeper stabbed himself because the legislature of that state passed the prohibition bill. Evidently there are some people who believe prohibition will prohibit.—New Orleans Times Democrat.

The Best Horseshoes in town at E. A. Taylor's.

STATE NEWS.

Back tax suits to the number of 1800 have been filed in Ft. Worth.

The merchants of Mineola have purchased a large cotton warehouse and donated its use free to the farmers' union so long as they want to use it for storage purposes.

A tramp was arrested in El Paso the other day and when searched the officers found \$1,131.15 in his pocket. Bet no tramp who enters El Paso from now on will go unsearched.

Powell Crossland is in jail at Texarkana on a charge of perjury. He swore falsely to the age of Celeste Collom, aged 14, whom he married. G. R. Collom, her father, had the arrest made.

During a cotton seed war, at Troupe the price run up from \$12 per ton to \$18 then to \$22. Farmers rushed in their seed to such an extent that wagons were lined up for a mile waiting to unload.

Leroy Trice, general manager of the International and Great Northern railroad, declares it to be his opinion that the cotton crop producing along the lines of that road will be 43 per cent under the yield of last year.

Will Hill, a young man about 25 years of age, who was working in the Farmers' Union gin, three miles southeast of Granbury, had his right hand and arm badly lacerated Saturday evening. It is feared that he will lose the hand and possibly the arm.

Near Seymour Tuesday Joseph Jerabek, a farmer, was killed by a runaway team. Accompanied by a small boy, he was driving through a pasture. The wagon jogged into a deep ravine and the mules became frightened and ran away. Jerabek was thrown between the mules and his head was crushed.

The badly decomposed body of an unknown white man, about 45 years of age, was found in a railroad water tank one mile and a half north of Wichita Falls Monday. He had been dead four or five days. A German newspaper and a pocket knife were the only things found in his pockets. The theory is advanced that he fell from the top of a train into the tank and was drowned.

Influence Wrongly Directed.

The growing tendency to flippancy and slang among girls and women is losing for them, as a class, the once reverence in which they were held for their moral influence and good example. The following case, told in the Decatur Messenger, is not an isolated one:

"It appears to me that a fellow who lives a religious life amid trials and tribulations on this earth should be rewarded with a brighter crown and nestle closer to the bosom of Abraham when his life's fitful fever is over, than the man who is not subjected to the evil temptations, one whose surroundings, and home influence is conducive to that good life. For instance: take a certain young man in this town who attends the Andrews meeting night after night and near the close of the meeting he came interested and was converted. When the fact became known to the boy's sister, an extremely wise sissy, she laughed and made sport of the brother's actions. Daily he is subjected to the taunts of this sister. Now, if the young fellow holds out and swings on to the Cross through all, isn't it in the province of justice and right to believe the reward coming to him in Kingdom Come will be greater than that of the boy who has the home influence of a good Christian mother and sister. It appears so

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to me, and, I believe, the bottomless pits of hell are standing ajar and gaping for the soul of the female who has so far transgressed the rules of right as to make sport of religion. Why, the most wicked rouser that ever straddled a beer keg and read dime novels throughout the Sabbath has a soft spot in his heart for religion."

The amount of cotton oil and cotton seed meal exported from this country the past year exceeded by some \$7,000,000 the value of these products for 1905-6. The oil exported last season was valued at \$17,084,000 and the meal was worth about the same amount.—Ex.

The jury in the Vantis murder trial down at Vernon failed to agree on a verdict. The jury stood eleven for conviction and one for acquittal.—Childress Post.

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We do not believe any horse is made safer or better by the use of blinds. A horse, especially if he is nervous, is much more likely to be alarmed by the sound of a noise he cannot see than by the sight of things he does not understand.

Down at Bay City, Texas, the other day a man was lying down apparently in good health while his wife was reading to him; pausing, she turned to look at him and discovered that he was dying. She must have been reading a Teddy bear story.

The doctors continue to find new diseases. Up in Nebraska among the Japanese there are twenty cases of what the doctors call beri-beri. The state board immediately sent representatives to investigate. Dr. Jones declared that the disease resembled paralysis and seemed to be contagious.

Taft advised the people of Oklahoma to vote down the proposed constitution when he made his speech at Oklahoma City. Judging from the way he hurried off across the Pacific ocean he must have received a pointer as to how the Oklahoma voter regarded the advice.

Oklahoma will come into the Union with the best state constitution of any ever yet to enter. It has been carefully drawn and has been ratified by the majority vote of both parties. This being the case, we believe the executive officers will see that the laws will be enforced.

A Louisville, Ky., judge adopted a new method of punishing juvenile swearers and foul-mouthed offenders. Ten such boys ranging in age from 10 to 15 years were hauled up in open court and an attendant scoured out their mouths with soapuds. We hope the dispatches will tell us the effects. There are a few youths in Clarendon it might be tried on.

A short time since we said the Standard Oil company would try to beat the fine assessed against it on technicalities. The Chicago Tribune of this week says the Standard Oil company attorneys are seeking to wipe out the \$29,240,000 fine on the claim that had they known immunity from prosecution had been promised the Alton railroad they would have questioned the railroad witnesses differently on the theory that the testimony of the railroad employes might have been largely influenced by the knowledge that their employers had been guaranteed immunity. If they succeed, and this principle holds good in other cases, "turning state's evidence," as it is called, will not cut so much figure in trials hereafter.

One of the strangest freaks of perverted humanity to come to light recently is the case of C. E. Letton, the tax clerk at New Orleans, who had a wife and children, a home worth \$10,000 and who stood high socially and had the confidence of his business associates. He is a defaulter to the amount of \$118,000, \$90,000 of which he bestowed on a mulatto woman during the past four years. Both are now in jail. He claims that he could not resist her influence over him, and yet tries to shield her by saying she was not aware that the funds lavished on her were stolen. She invested considerable money in real estate and much of it may be recovered. Letton says he will plead guilty. The court should make his term as long as the law will possibly allow.

Secretary Taft spoke at Portland, Oregon, but he is not reported as saying anything about the initiative and referendum which the republicans of that state adopted. Why does he denounce this reform

in Oklahoma and keep silent on the subject in Oregon?—Commoner.

He is not apt to denounce it in Oklahoma again, since the voters there adopted the constitution by a vote of three to one.

Farm land is now selling in Woodford county, Illinois, for \$225 an acre. It is only a question of time until Iowa's rich acres will command the same high price.—Keokuk (Ia.) Gate City.

And still there are some people who think Panhandle land is too high at \$15 to \$20 per acre. Panhandle land is as fertile and produces as much as the best of Iowa or Illinois land. It will raise crops under conditions which would mean failure in Iowa or Illinois. Climatic advantage is also on the side of the Panhandle. In the language of the Gate City, it is only a question of time when Panhandle land will command the highest price.—Amarillo Panhandle.

Old Contracts Hold.

Austin, Tex., Sept. 17.—The Railroad Commission has advised several newspaper publishers that contracts for transportation in return for advertising, executed before the anti-pass law became effective, are legal and can not be interfered with by the anti-pass law, but that such contracts for advertising can not be renewed upon their expiration. Explaining, Commissioner Colquett said that it would be up to the railroads to recognize contracts, as the commission regards them as legal and binding, and that the newspapers could continue to exchange advertising for transportation until the end of their contracts. The railroads refused to recognize such contracts when the anti-pass law became effective. What the railroads will do under the commission's ruling is not known here.

Won't Marry Divorcees.

The Pastors' Association of Temple by a resolution unanimously adopted at a meeting of the association placed itself emphatically upon record as being against the remarriage of persons previously divorced where the former wife or husband is still alive. The resolution was adopted, signed by the Methodist, Presbyterian and Christian ministers.

The shortness of the cotton crop around Waco is causing the farmers to use their own families in picking the crop. In consequence, there is lack of demand for cotton pickers in that section, and no farmers pay over 65 cents a hundred, while many are only paying 50 cents, the pickers furnishing their own board. Last year prices for picking were about double.

One hundred are dead and missing on the Japanese steamship Lailful Maru which burned at Ching Kiang according to a Shanghai dispatch to Lloyd's. Many of the crew are among the missing and all are probably dead.

George A. Pettibone was unable to appear in the District court at Boise, Idaho, Tuesday to have his case set for trial. An affidavit of the attending physicians states that Pettibone is suffering from an ulcer of the bladder, which, unless soon checked, will prove fatal. It says an operation may be necessary, but fears the patient will be unable to survive it.

It is remarked that the tombstone business is very dull throughout the West. This is a compliment to the healthful climate and the correct habits of the citizens, but just wait until the automobiles begin to get in their work in their usual form.—Record.

One immediate result of the pro victory in Hardeman last week was the dropping of a petition to hold a local option election in Childress county.—Tribune.

Perhaps the reason that thieving New Orleans accountant who lacked the nerve to commit suicide when his peculations were discovered, used all of his nerve in getting that \$107,000 of other people's money.—Record.

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STATE NEWS.

Most of the counties in north and central Texas have at last received rains, but too late to do this year's crop any good.

At Abilene Wednesday B. F. Johnson was convicted on the charge of robbery and sentenced to two years' confinement in the state penitentiary.

The residence of Samuel Jackson in Celina was burned together with the most of the contents Tuesday evening. House and contents insured for \$1,800.

A jury at Vernon Monday took 17 minutes to convict R. L. Simmons, aged 52, of criminal assault on a 5-year-old daughter of Mr. Rowland at Doans and sent him up for 99 years.

In a fight on their way home from school at Cleburne Wednesday between two 14-year-old school boys, John Calloway received knife wounds in the stomach which are expected to prove fatal.

Free delivery will be established in San Angelo on Nov. 1. The city will be allowed four carriers, two mounted and two walking, and civil service examinations will be held in time to have regular appointments made.

With a total enrollment for the first day of more than 500 students, the North Texas Normal college opened at Denton Wednesday most auspiciously. The attendance is the largest for the first day in the history of the college.

The annual meeting of stockholders of the Weatherford cotton yarn mill has declared a dividend of 10 per cent. on the capital stock of \$75,000. The entire old board of directors was re-elected, with G. M. Bowie as president.

The attorney general has drawn up the contract whereby the big Bend Manufacturing company, by J. D. Crenshaw, purchases all of the Guayule land for \$61,000, as per the highest bid. The Guayule is to be manufactured into rubber in Texas and grows on the West-corn school lands.

In order to make legal disposition of some church property the Christian church of Amarillo has applied for articles of incorporation with the following members as trustees: C. B. Reeder, J. H. Avery, Mrs. Lee Bivins, Lee Green, R. L. Rogers, R. L. Roberts, A. B. Winkler, Frank Wolfen, R. B. Newcome, J. M. Russell, W. E. Gee and F. W. Dodson.

In Austin Thursday while the parade of the Sells-Floto shows was in progress a four-horse team drawing a cage containing two big tigers, became frightened at the corner of Seventh street and dashed up Congress avenue at a fearful rate. This created a panic among the thousands of spectators and also caused two runaways. Another circus team hauling caged lions ran for several blocks but did no damage, but frightened spectators.

Pecan harvesting has commenced in the Brownwood country already, which is considerably earlier than is usual for the nuts to be harvested. Some say it is caused from the continued drought, but this seems not probable, as the trees which grow at the water's edge are ready to harvest as well as those away from the water. It will be some time before the crop will be gathered, as not all the trees are hulled, but the bulk of the trees will be thrashed before frost comes. The nut is small, which is caused from the lateness of the spring.

Age of the Horse.

An exchange after mentioning a horse that recently died in Minnesota at the age of 41 years, says: "Forty-one years is a good while for a horse to live in these days, but way back yonder this old horse would have been a mere colt if one may trust the writings of learned and honored historians. Albertus Magnus, who flourished 1193-1380, cites a horse 60 years of age. Augustus Nephus mentions a horse of merit in the stables of Ferdinand I, 1503-1564, which was 70 years old.

DOCTORS MISTAKES

Are said often to be buried six feet under ground. But many times women call on their family physicians, suffering, as they imagine, one from dyspepsia, another from heart disease, another from liver or kidney disease, another from nervous prostration, another with pain here and there, and in this way they present alike to themselves and their easy-going or over-busy doctor, separate diseases, for which he, assuming them to be such, prescribes his pills and potions. In reality, they are all only symptoms caused by some uterine disease. The physician, ignorant of the cause of suffering, keeps up his treatment until large bills are made. The suffering patient gets no better, because of the wrong treatment, but probably worse. A proper medicine, carefully devised by a prescription directed to the cause would have entirely removed the disease, thereby dispelling all those distressing symptoms, and insuring comfort instead of prolonged misery. It has been well said, that "a disease known is half cured."

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A SWELL JOB.

I do not cuddle up to work
Or heavy lifting choose
As though I thought it were a friend
That somehow I might lose
But still I know a job of which
I would not be afraid:
I'd like to be a millionaire.
Where can I learn that trade?
Some citizens their talents waste
At work like laying brick,
While other duffers dub around
And do stunts with a pick
Or with the hammer play a tune
Or wrestle with the spade,
Perhaps they never chanced to learn
The millionaire's soft trade.

I rather fancy at that trade
I'd play a heavy part
And be a credit to myself
If I could get a start
I'd show some men who thought they had
Experience to burn
And who had worked at it for years
That they had much to learn.
I would not fret about the hours
Nor kick about the pay,
But cheerfully I'd work all night
And start in fresh next day.
My product I would guarantee
As strictly up to grade
If I were but a millionaire.
Where can I learn that trade?

More Practical.

Two colored ladies were discussing their lovers.
"What kind of a man is dat Sam Washington what I saw sagatating wid up and down de sidewalk last evening?"
"Oh, dat Mistah Washington? He is a berry fine gentleman. It would do you good to hear de lovely expressions what flow from his lips. Dat man talks poetry."
"Huh, dat Mr. Jomson which does me de honor to associate wid me, he talks pork chops."

Good Union Man.

"Why don't you shine your own shoes?"
"I used to, but I had to quit. You see, I am not a member of the boot-blacks' union."

Those Politicians.

But when election day, alas!
Has passed into the book of fate,
They cannot see us as we pass—
Or stand around outside and wait.
From that time on we go to grass
Or come a-knocking at the gate.
There only seems to be ahead
A year of patient suffering.
We might as well, perhaps, be dead,
But let us meekly bear the sting
And keep the briny tears unshed,
For they'll be friendly in the spring.

His Choice.

"I am very fond of classical music, aren't you?"
"No, I prefer the other kind."
"What?"
"Musical music, you know."
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Going to build? If so let Kerbow & Asher quote you on nails and builders' hardware.

A 25-cent purchase at the Globe is good for one vote in the Diamond Ring and Gold Watch Contest.

E. A. Taylor has Second Hand Plows, Cultivators, Disk Plows and Disk Harrows for sale, cheap. Come and see.

E. Dubbs & Sons are making sweeping cuts on prices. Get busy and see that your wife, daughter or sweetheart gets one of our valuable premiums.

Mrs. Sylvester Dubbs, north of town, has fever.

Geo. Washington is recuperating out at the J A ranch.

J. E. McComb has about recovered from a lengthy spell of illness.

John Merrick, one of the J A boys, is reported as having the fever.

Wilson C. Rogers leaves for Dallas and Kansas City today to buy goods.

Mrs. K. Thornton of Giles is spending some two weeks with relatives in Clarendon.

Dr. Stocking reports the birth of a fine boy at A. C. Howells, Lelia Lake, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper Morgan visited out at W. H. Norris's this week. Mrs. Norris is reported as being ill.

A daughter of Mrs. Ida M. Kersey fell down the stairway at the Catholic academy Thursday and broke her collarbone.

W. H. Patrick and wife, Dr. Carroll and wife and several others spent several days this week on a camp fishing trip at Lake Creek.

W. H. Brown of Archer City, Tex., left Thursday for his home after spending several days here visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. S. Hayter.

Rev. J. T. Stanton of Childress will preach at the Baptist church tomorrow and tomorrow night. Monday he is to begin a revival meeting at Brice.

W. T. Youree and DeRoos Horn were in from Bray Thursday. They state that crops are pretty fair down there, but cotton picking has not commenced yet.

A. N. Thornton spent Thursday in Memphis and his son, I. M. Thornton, and wife returned with him and are visiting the family of Charley Thornton.

Frank Kendall was here Friday and says crops are good and labor with which to gather them scarce. His cotton is open enough for pretty good picking.

Mrs. Mary J. Sutton and son, John J. Sutton, of Palmetto, Fla., arrived here Thursday. She is a sister of Uncle John Journey, whom she had not seen for 30 years. They may make their home here.

W. T. Youree of Bray told us Thursday that he had just set in to cut his fourth crop of alfalfa from 30 acres that averaged a ton to the acre each cutting. He contracted the whole crop at \$15 per ton. This makes a return of \$60 per acre, or a value of \$1,800 from only 30 acres of land and all the work of saving and marketing the crop will be finished by the time cotton picking fairly begins, or before cold weather sets in. How is that for returns on Panhandle land? Mr. Youree expects to take a vacation a little later, and spend a few months west of the Rocky Mountain.

All the latest post cards at Stocking's.

School shoes at a bargain at Rathjen's store.

J. E. Carroll has been laid up several days with fever.

George Doshier brought in two nice melons for the Chronicle force yesterday.

Four more ladies were added to the membership of the Royal Neighbors Wednesday night.

Edgar Britton, who bought the Scram Harrington lots, has commenced a fine residence thereon.

Rev. George Slover, the new president of Clarendon College, will preach at the Methodist church tomorrow.

Miss Zorenda Tatum returned Wednesday from Ft. Worth where she has been visiting relatives the past several weeks.

Dr. Anthony, of Dumas, Texas, has bought two blocks of land in the east part of town from the college trustees at \$500 and will move here.

Mrs. J. F. Martin, of Ft. Worth, representing the Ft. Worth Evening Telegram, spent Wednesday in town and paid the Chronicle office a visit.

W. M. Wommack sold his place three miles from town this week through Alexander & Cole to Chas. Knapp and son, of Vernon, at \$20 per acre.

S. F. Snyder, of Clifton, Texas, representing the American National Insurance company, spent yesterday in town. He is a genial, energetic fellow that seems to fit his job nicely.

J. R. Tucker has a new boy a week old today, who tipped the scales at 11 pounds on arrival. Tucker has put in most the week celebrating at home and he thinks the young man will soon be able to take full charge at the shop.

Mrs. T. S. McClelland and two sons, Henry and Stanhope, left Thursday morning for Ithaca, N. Y., where the two boys will enter school. Bruce, Jr., son of J. B. McClelland, also accompanied them from here but will go to Alexandria, Va.

Some miscreant threw a rock through a show window of Dr. Standifer's office Tuesday night, which also broke a glass in the door of a medicine case inside. This is the second time such a mean trick has been done, and it is hoped that a culprit may be found and punished.

The college building committee have been industriously at work this week and over \$4,000 has been added to the fund. It is desired very much to get the full amount made up, so that work on the building can be started. Several large amounts from the outside have been promised, but they are conditioned on what Clarendon does.

At the reception of Dr. George Slover at the opera house Tuesday night there was considerable enthusiasm and good feeling. The Doctor made an excellent talk that made a decided hit with the audience. Rev. C. N. N. Furguson of Amarillo was also present and advanced some good thoughts. Several timely talks were also made by local speakers.

If you will see my goods and get my prices I believe I can please you in both and sell you. Mrs. A. M. Beville. 2t

Do you want to trade a horse for a buggy, hack or surrey? If so, see Connally.

The Second Hand and Racket store wants to buy some second-hand cook stoves—not scrap iron, but cook stoves.

Make you any kind of Shovel or Plow Shear you want. E. A. TAYLOR.

Ladies, come in and let me help you plan your autumn hat. Possibly your last season's hat with a little new material of the color of your new winter's suit would meet every requirement. Let's talk it over. Mrs. A. M. Beville, The Milliner. 2t

Prof. Silvey's Father Dead.

Just as we were going to press last night a message came telling of the death of Prof. W. R. Silvey's father at Trinity, Tex. Prof. Silvey returned from there the first of the week when there was a prospect of his recovery.

A letter came yesterday morning stating that he was improving. It is likely that the body will be brought here for burial.

Commissioner's Court.

The county commissioners were in session four days this week and allowed a number of small bills and approved official reports.

Bids were received from the Donley Co. State bank and the Citizens bank as depositories for the county funds. The Citizens bank was made county depository on a bid of 6 1/2 per cent on daily balances. The other bid was 6 1/4 per cent.

The assessor's tax rolls were approved and he was allowed \$417.15 balance on making tax rolls for 1907.

It was ordered that six lithographic maps of Donley county be purchased.

County Judge Morgan was granted leave of absence for two weeks from Sept. 22.

Roof of jail was ordered painted. Room in 3rd story of courthouse was ordered fitted up for a sleeping room for juries during court.

Cooked meat daily at the City Meat Market.

Hats that are designed by one who "knows how" to make them. "Fit face and form" always give the wearer satisfaction. Give me a trial with your order this season. Mrs. A. M. Beville, The Milliner.

Rathjen gives a well-filled pencil book with each pair of school shoes sold.

Market Report.

The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday: Steers \$3.70 to \$4.10. Cows \$2.00 to \$3.10. Calves \$3.15 to \$4.15. Hogs \$6.20 to \$6.30.

All my new hats are on display. Come and see. Mrs. A. M. Beville. 2t

A. L. Connally & Co. have just unloaded a record-breaking car of stoves and ranges, the biggest ever shipped to the Panhandle.

The Diamond Ring and Gold Watch Grand Premium Contest.

At the close of the count today still leaves Miss Minnie Thorp in the lead, while Miss Ethel Heister, Miss Marion Barnett and Miss Bessie Caraway are close second. Miss Sadie Woodward was dropped out at her request. Remember that these premiums are valuable, and if you want them get your friends to push a little and you'll get them.

Miss Minnie Thorp 1572
Miss Ethel Heister 1179
Miss Marlon Barnett 1158
Miss Bessie Caraway 1067
Miss Ruth Atteberry 669
Mrs. Chas. McMurtry 600
Mrs. Ora Liesberg 450
Miss Mora Denton 542
Miss Lena Davis 426
Miss Fay Dodson 313
Miss Aris Baldwin 266
Miss Pearl Lane 265
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Wednesday, Sept. 18.
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Dalhart Fair.

DALHART, Tex., Sept. 19.—Ten thousand visitors are here today enjoying the exhibits and other features of the Trans-Canadian fair. This is the second day and tomorrow ends the event. John W. Veale spoke here yesterday and T. P. Gore, the newly elected democratic senator from Oklahoma, addressed a large audience today. O. B. Colquitt speaks here Friday, as also will A. P. Barrett.

This is the fourth year the fair has been held and the most successful. There are splendid agricultural displays and live stock exhibits, besides horse racing and base-ball games with Amarillo and Tucumcari teams contesting.

Dalhart is extending the glad hand to her guests, who are thoroughly enjoying the town's hospitality. Visitors are here from all over the Panhandle. New Mexico, Oklahoma and Colorado.

Public Roads.

According to Washington officials Texas in 1904 had more miles of public roads than any other state in the Union—121,200. Kentucky had 57,137 miles and Tennessee 48,989 miles—one mile for each 1.17 square mile of territory; Kentucky one mile for each 1.40 square mile of territory, and Texas one mile for every .46 of a square mile. There are 25 people to every mile of road in Texas, 41 in Tennessee, and Kentucky 37. The average for the United States is 35.

Texas has 167 miles surfaced with gravel, 1,909 surfaced with stone and 52 surfaced with other materials. Only 1.75 per cent of the roads of Texas were so improved. The total expenditure amounted to \$4,138,157. This was \$34.08 per mile, and \$1.35 per capita.

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

World's Famous Alligrette Chocolates and Bon Bons at Clarendon Bakery.

Cut glass sets, the nicest in the Panhandle, on sale at Fleming & Bromley's.

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

Jewelry of the best quality, newest pattern and beautiful in design at Clower's. Be sure and see his new watches, lockets, pins, etc.

Hogwire, all heights, smooth and barbwire in all varieties just in; call and see it at Kerbow & Asher's.

If you want good fresh chocolates and Bon Bons try the kind the Clarendon Bakery sells.

Place your order for fresh meat with the City Meat Market, new Carroll building. W. I. Lane proprietor. Phone 17.

One 14 k. Diamond Ring, first quality, price \$75 and one ladies Gold Watch, 14 k., solid gold case, 17 jewels, given to the two ladies who get the greatest number of votes in premium contest. See Dubbs' ad.

All the latest post cards at Stocking's.

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

Several pretty Sunnyside lots for sale, choice ones. C. C. BEARDEN.

For Sale.
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A Progressive Spirit.

As a promoter of development the western coast cities believe in advertising, and to this they owe their rapid growth and beauty. Sacramento recently entertained the National Irrigation congress and the people rose as one man to meet the occasion, enthused not alone by the prospect of entertaining many distinguished men, but more by the opportunity to further the splendid objects of the congress. The fund raised within the city for this purpose amounted to \$45,000, or one dollar for every man, woman and child in the city, probably the largest per capita subscription ever made by any city for any similar event. This was supplemented by \$10,000 contributed by counties and individuals elsewhere in the state. The work of promotion occupied eight months and cost very nearly \$20,000, and the results far more than justified the expenditure.

The meeting gave a great impetus to local improvement and development, as well as to the movement for irrigation, forestry and conservation of the whole resources of the country. Almost immediately after the close of the congress a city and county bond election was held and bonds to the amount of \$1,500,000 were voted for roads, bridges and public buildings. The majority for the bonds was one of the largest in the history of similar elections, which goes to show that the Capital City of California has had a real awakening.

Towns and cities that are advertised are the ones that lead these days and a progressive people will go down in their pockets to do it. Those who don't are left in the background.

Concrete Poles.

"Concrete" telegraph and telephone poles bid fair in the near future to replace in many localities those made of wood. "In a general way," says the exchange, "these poles are built on the plan of all armored concrete work, though the construction is quite distinctive in character. In the body of the pole and near its circumference, equally spaced, are continuous rods of twisted electro-carbon steel, especially prepared for the purpose.

These rods are tied together and held in position by continuous spiral binding wires. These form the skeleton work of the pole, or the reinforcement, which is then inclosed in a form into which cement is poured. After a number of days the form is removed and the result is a concrete pole." These poles are not only much stronger, but far more elastic than those made of wood. A thirty-foot concrete pole will deflect 31 inches at the top without cracking the concrete. The breaking strain of the pole, 5,000 pounds, is three times that of the ordinary wooden pole. Climatic conditions, which do great damage to the wooden poles, leave these unimpaired. The cost of the concrete poles is only a little more than the present cost of cedar poles, while their average life must at the least calculation be hundreds of times longer than the life of the latter.—Ex.

Three thousand voices will lead in the song, "Dig Her Deep Through Dixie," when President Roosevelt reaches St. Louis en route to the deep waterways convention in Memphis, and it is probable that 5,000 people will join in the chorus. The melody of the new war song is that of "Dixie."

When your marble has become stained try rubbing with two parts of common sand, one of powdered pumice stone and one of finely pulverized chalk. Sift through a fine sieve and make to a paste with water. Rub well and you will be surprised at the result.

Sawdust is turned into transportable fuel in Germany by a simple process. It is heated under a high steam pressure until the resinous ingredients become sticky, when it is pressed into bricks.

Farmers—You Can Save 25 to 50 per cent on your plow work by taking it to Eph Taylor's shop.

Judged by Their Cats.

"No, ma'am," said an Irish maid of much experience as she returned to a New York intelligence office the other day "I didn't engage with that family. I didn't like the looks of their cat."

"Of their cat!" repeated the owner of the office in amazement. "Why, Katie, I'm sure they wouldn't keep a cat that was in any way dangerous."

"Not dangerous, no, ma'am, but a restless, unhappy looking creature that didn't speak well for the family," replied the girl. "I always judge a family by their cat—if they have one. A sleek, comfortable pussy who comes up and rubs against you means a quiet, good natured family and one that's not worrying about ways and means, but a nervous, unfriendly looking cat reflects a household which is on the verge of nervous prostration or financial ruin or some other horrible trouble."

"I've been living with families and studying their cats for twenty-five years, and I've never known the sign to fail. A family that can't make its cat happy is one to make any servant miserable."—New York Press.

Psychologically Explained.

Mrs. Flaherty, who earns her living and maintains two clean little rooms in an uptown tenement by going out to do washing and day's work, has been a widow for many years, and entertains a strong prejudice against marriage for any but the young. "Tis all right at that time o' life," she maintains, "but not for old people with gray hairs. Then 'tis unsuitable and the height o' foolishness." Holding these opinions as she does, it was a severe shock to Mrs. Flaherty to learn that one of her best customers, a widow of threescore and ten, was about to be married for the second time. Almost tearfully she confided her sentiments to another patron.

"Think of it! Her a-flixin' all them fine clothes and takin' as much pride in it as if she was to be a bride of twenty instead of an old woman that'll never see seventy again! Why," and her voice dropped to an awed whisper, "at her time o' life I believe 'tis the ravin' o' death is on the woman!"—New York Times.

A Scotch Excuse.

A canny Scot was brought before a magistrate on the charge of being drunk and disorderly. "What have you to say for yourself, sir?" demanded the magistrate. "You look like a respectable man and ought to be ashamed to stand there."

"I am verra sorry, sir, but I can't up in bad company fra Glasgow," humbly replied the prisoner.

"What sort of company?"

"A lot of teetotalers!" was the startling response.

"Do you mean to say teetotalers are bad company?" thundered the magistrate. "I think they are the best of company for such as you."

"Beggins yer pardon, sir," answered the prisoner, "ye're wrong; for I had a bottle of whusky an' I had to drink it all myself!"—Reynolds' Newspaper.

Strong Soup.

In the life of William Stokes, written by his son, it is told how Stokes was sent over to Dublin during the great famine to show the people how to make soup. Stokes asked a starving beggar why she did not go and get some of the soup that was being freely distributed.

"Soup, is it, your honor? Sure, it isn't soup at all! 'And what is it, then?' inquired Stokes. 'It is nothin', your honor, but a quart of water boiled down to a pint to make it strong!'"

This is the soup in which Ho-garth caricatured in his picture of the French troops at Calais.—London Standard.

Mixed Liquors Barred.

Rory MacSnory was the village blacksmith and one of the most powerful singers in the choir of the kirk at Anclincheries. To show off his voice to full advantage he would vary his style from bass to alto and from alto to treble in the same hymn.

The minister had long observed that Rory's methods were upsetting the general melody of the congregation's singing, and at length he resolved to bring the culprit to book.

"Hymn 24," he announced, "and a' thegither. And, Mr. MacSnory, if ye're tae sing bass, sing tenor, or if ye're tae sing alto, sing alto, but we'll hae nae mair o' yer shandygaff!"—Dundee Advertiser.

The Reason.

All sorts and conditions of men have excellent reasons for their position in life. Illustrated Bits tells of a tramp who had no illusions about the cause of his own condition:

Mrs. Finehealth (at hotel entrance)—No. I have no money to spare for you. I do not see why an able-bodied man like you should go about begging.

Lazy Tramp—I s'pose, mum, it's fer about the same reason that a healthy woman like you boards at a hotel, instead of keeping house.

A Rebuff.

"Do you think your father would like me as a son-in-law?"

"Yes, I believe he would."

"Oh, joy! I—"

"Papa and I never agree about anything, you know."

Feminine Nerves.

There are nervous women; there are hypernervous women. But women so nervous that the continual rustle of a silk skirt makes them nervous—no, there are no women so nervous as that!

Error of opinion may be tolerated where reason is left free to combat it.

A Hideous Dream.

I had a horrible dream a few nights ago. I dreamed that I was the sub-editor of a religious weekly. There is nothing dreadful in that, of course. The horrible part comes later. My editor, just off for a holiday—editors generally are, you know—instructed me to write to several people of eminence and ask them to tell me their favorite prayer. (I record this little story in all reverence, you understand.) Well, many of the eminent people replied, including a lady novelist of great fame. The lady wrote:

Dear Sir—In reply to your esteemed favor, I have much pleasure in informing you that my favorite prayer is, "Give us this day our daily bread."

I placed it at the head of the column, put the paper to bed and went there myself, feeling pleased. Next morning when I opened my copy of the religious weekly I found that three letters had been dropped from the lady novelist's favorite prayer, which, to my consternation, now read as follows: "Give us this day our daily ad." I woke up screaming.—Kebble Howard in Sketch.

Classed as an Antique Also.

A charming hostess of one of the "big houses," as they are called by those who are welcomed into them, has the added beauty of prematurely white hair, says the Washington Star. That which seems to her contemporaries an added charm may appear to the crudely young a mark of decline, at least so it appears in one instance of which the hostess herself tells with enjoyment.

The lady is a connoisseur of antiques. At one of her teas a debutante rich with the glow of youth, but sadly constrained with her sense of her own novelty, was handed a cup of tea. The cup was beautifully blue and wonderfully old. The hostess, desiring to lighten the strain on her youthful guest by a pleasingly diverting remark, said, "That little cup is 150 years old."

"Oh," came the debutante's high strained tones, "how careful you must be to have kept it so long!"

Trades That Kill.

One of the most dangerous of trades, according to the Pilgrim, "is the covering of toy animals with skin, chamols leather being used, for instance, for the elephants, calfskin for the horse and goatskin for the camels. This covering must of course fit without a wrinkle to look natural, so the wooden model is first dipped into glue, then sprinkled with chalk dust; then the skin is put on. The chalk is so fine that it fills the air and is drawn into the throat and lungs. A year of this sort of work often results in death. Another very injurious toy is the rubber balloon. The fumes and solvents used in reducing sheet rubber to the necessary thickness while retaining its strength and the dyeing of the brilliant yellows, greens and purple are most of them poisonous.

A Swelled Head.

A typical Englishwoman, when one spoke the other day of a certain man having a "swelled head," looked dazed. "Really! You don't mean it!" cried the Englishwoman. "I'm very sorry." A day or so later the Englishwoman, happening to meet the wife of the man in question, observed that she was so sorry to hear that Mr. Blank was ill.

"But he isn't!" cried the wife. "He was never better in his life."

"Is that so?" said the Englishwoman. "Why, what could Mrs. Dash have meant the other day when she said he was suffering from a swelled head?"

His Narrow Escape.

A jolly old steamboat captain with more girth than height was asked if he had ever had any very narrow escapes.

"Yes," he replied, his eyes twinkling, "once I fell off my boat at the mouth of Bear creek, and, although I'm an expert swimmer, I guess I'd be there now if it hadn't been for my crew. You see, the water was just deep enough so's to be over my head when I tried to wade out, and just shallow enough"—he gave his body an explanatory pat—"so that whenever I tried to swim out I dragged bottom."—Everybody's.

Horrible Example.

"My dear," said Mrs. Strongmind, "I want you to accompany me to the town hall tomorrow evening."

"What for?" queried the meek and lowly other half of the combine.

"I am to lecture on the 'Dark Side of Married Life,'" explained Mrs. S., "and I want you to sit on the platform and pose as one of the illustrations."—Chicago News.

A Financial Pessimist.

Gaye—Yes, he is what you might term a financial pessimist. Myers—What's a financial pessimist? Gaye—A man who is afraid to look pleasant for fear his friends will want to borrow something.

Accidental.

Alice—How did you come to meet your second husband, Grace? Grace—It was purely accidental. He ran over my first one with a motor car and afterward attended the funeral.

A Crash.

"John, what was that awful noise in the bathroom just now?"

"Don't worry, my dear," replied John sleepily. "It was merely a crash towel falling."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

Opinion.

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