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Confederate Veterans' Reunion.
Birmingham, Ala., June 9.—Amid great enthusiasm and before 5,000 people on the lower floor and 2,000 at least in the galleries in Birmingham's hippodrome auditorium, the eighteenth annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans was called to order at 10 o'clock today by Major General George H. Harrison, commanding the Alabama division of Confederate veterans.
The invocation was delivered by Rev. Dr. J. William Jones, chaplain general of the organization. The children's chorus followed, two hundred children accompanied by the reunion band rendering southern airs while the veterans cheered. Every person assigned to a part in the opening program was reported present before the exercises began.
Major General Harrison was on the stage surrounded by General W. L. Cabell of Texas, General Clement Evans of Georgia, General Tyler and other prominent officers and by representatives of the local veterans, Sons of Veterans, Daughters of the Confederacy, local citizens, committees and the band and children's chorus.
The decorations in the hippodrome were inspiring, the whole scene presenting a picture that will long be remembered by those who witnessed it. Sons of veterans acted as ushers in the big auditorium, and every consideration was given to the veterans, a special effort being made to assign them to the best seats, where they could see and hear with the least difficulty.
Colonel E. L. Russell eulogized at length the character of General Lee as a soldier and as a citizen and likened it to that of General Robert E. Lee. Thirty years of close personal friendship with General Stephen D. Lee, he said, had increased his admiration which received its impetus when Colonel Russell was colorbearer in the Mississippi regiment, then a part of General Lee's corps. In taking up the question as to whether the south was justified in appealing to secure its constitutional rights, Colonel Russell said: "The world now considers they were perfectly justified in going to war.
"Whether this was wise or not, it is not necessary to discuss." Col. Russell paid a tribute to the southern women and concluded by saying: "Comrades, we are to be congratulated in having a reunited country. Passions and prejudices engendered by war, as far as soldiers are concerned on both sides, has disappeared. We are one country and have one flag and none are more loyal in the support of that flag than the ex-Confederate soldiers."
O. H. P. Belmont died at his home at Hempstead, L. I., last Wednesday. He had been seriously ill for less than two weeks when appendicitis developed, June 1, and Thursday of last week he was operated on. He rallied from the operation, but in the afternoon a severe sinking spell followed and since then there was but little hope of his recovery. He was a son of the late August Belmont. The present August and Perry Belmont are his brothers. Belmont was fifty years of age.
About 7,000 persons have been driven from their homes at North Topeka by the flood in the Kaw river. The major portion found shelter at Topeka proper, where the auditorium, school buildings and private homes have been opened to them. No loss of life is reported, but there has been much property loss.

Boosting Mitchell for Vice-President.
Dallas, June 10.—A conference of leading democrats of Texas, including many members of the democratic state executive committee, was held here Tuesday, and John Mitchell, ex-president of the United Mine Workers of America, was endorsed for vice-president on the ticket with W. J. Bryan, and a national campaign in the interest of the labor leader was launched. Dan S. Chessher of Georgetown was elected chairman and D. A. Gregg of Jewett secretary.
In response to a query Mr. Mitchell wired Mr. Chessher from his home at Spring Valley, Ill., that he had never been anything else in politics other than a straight democrat.
The following address was formulated:
"To the Democracy of Texas and the Nation: In the coming great national contest Wm. J. Bryan will doubtless lead the forces of the organized democracy. Strong as ever with the common people of the United States, his candidacy will appeal with particular force to the masses of every section of the opposition that will be arrayed against him, and the democratic representatives at Denver should use every effort and exercise every care to aid him in his struggle against republicanism by naming as his running mate a man who will not only detract from his inherent strength, but who will materially add thereto.
"We believe John Mitchell of Illinois to be such a man. Admittedly the greatest champion organized labor America has ever had, he also possesses the confidence of those who have most bitterly opposed the policies he has consistently and vociferously pursued. Of brilliant mind and judicial temperament, unswerving in his convictions, rugged in his honesty, devoted in his loyalty, and earning and owning the undying admiration of millions of American toilers, his nomination for the vice presidency on the democratic national ticket would make republican states doubtful and doubtful states democratic.
"We confidently believe that the selection of Mr. Mitchell would cause hundreds of thousands of voters, whose position would be otherwise uncertain, to unhesitatingly cast their ballots for Bryan and Mitchell.
"Always a democrat of the old school, his candidacy would meet with a cordial reception in the south and be hailed with delight by the multitudes with whom he has come in contact in the north.
"Thinking as we do on this essential feature of the work the Denver convention will have to perform we respectfully ask our delegation to Denver to present the name of John Mitchell of Illinois as democratic candidate for vice-president of the United States and to vote for him as long as there is a possibility of his nomination, and we present to the democracy of the Union the name of Mr. Mitchell for their most careful consideration, and earnestly recommend his nomination as our candidate for vice-president."
Mr. Chessher stated that Senator Bailey would be requested to place Mr. Mitchell's name before the national convention.
That is a resourceful man who shipped a car load of prairie dogs to Chicago last week. He says he will sell them at \$2 a head for pets. Hope he will, for we don't want any of them to come back here labeled potted chicken or deviled ham.—Sherman Democrat.
Washington specialists say the eyesight of Senator Gore cannot be restored.

State Prohibition Submitted.
The democratic state executive committee met at Dallas Monday. Without opposition San Antonio was chosen as the city to hold the state convention and Aug. 11 the date.
The committee ordered that the following proposition be submitted to the voters in the primary election on July 25:
"For the submission by the Thirty-first legislature of this state of a constitutional amendment to the people for their adoption or rejection prohibiting within the state of Texas the manufacture, sale, gift, exchange and interstate shipment of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors and medicated bitters capable of producing intoxication, except for medicinal and sacramental purposes."
"Against the foregoing."
"For the system of local option and proper legislative enactments for the protection of the laws so as to prevent the barter or sale of intoxicating beverages in local option districts."
"Against the foregoing."
To submit the question of state-wide prohibition the vote resulted: For, 20; against, 6.
To submit the local option petition: For, 15; against, 11.
Mr. Edwards' resolution for the submission of the "saloon or no saloon" idea was defeated. The vote was 6 for and 19 against.
Following was the state ticket agreed upon:
For Presidential Electors: Hardy O'Neal, Cass county; Jed C. Adams, Kaufman county.
First District—N. P. Doak, Red River county.
Second District—W. W. Dies, Hardin county.
Third District—W. W. Moore, Rusk county.
Fourth District—R. S. Fulton, Grayson county.
Fifth District—Thomas D. Isbell, Rockwall county.
Sixth District—J. W. Woods, Robertson county.
Seventh District—Joseph Adams, Houston county.
Eighth District—E. A. Berry, Madison county.
Ninth District—G. L. Haidusek, Fayette county.
Tenth District—Lee J. Rountree, Williamson county.
Eleventh District—S. P. York, Coryell county.
Twelfth District—W. H. Hawkins, Erath county.
Thirteenth District—A. B. Edwards, Clay county.
Fourteenth District—L. L. Shield, Coleman county.
Fifteenth District—Edgar von Boeckmann, Sr., Guadalupe county.
Sixteenth District—J. C. Son, Palo Pinto county.
For Governor: Thos. M. Campbell, Anderson county; R. R. Williams, Hopkins county.
For Lieutenant Governor: A. B. Davidson, DeWitt county; C. W. Geers, Denton county.
For Attorney General: R. V. Davidson, Galveston county; R. M. Wynne, Tarrant county.
For Comptroller: Bob Barker, Bexar county; J. R. Blades, Henderson county; G. F. Parker, Erath county; J. W. Stephens, Travis county; Charles B. White, Fannin county.
For Commissioner of the General Land Office: J. T. Robinson, Morris county; Thomas P. Stone, McLennan county.
For State Treasurer: Sam Sparks, Bell county.
For Railroad Commissioner: O. B. Colquitt, Kaufman county; Theodore P. Thomas, Harris county.
For State Superintendent of Public Instruction: J. M. Alderdice, Ellis county; R. R. Cousins, Limestone county.

For Commissioner of Agriculture: R. T. Milner, Rusk county.
For Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals (full term, one to be voted for): W. L. Davidson, Williamson county; O. S. Lattimore, Tarrant county.
For Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals (unexpired term, one to be voted for): W. F. Ramsey, Johnson county.
For Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: F. A. Williams, Houston county.
Making it Hot for Jointists.
Within the past few weeks quite a string of men have been arrested in Childress on charges of unlawfully selling intoxicating liquors. Sheriff Cochran informs us that he and the other officers propose to make the occupation of the whisky peddler, and all others engaged in the traffic here, so expensive and full of trouble that they will conclude it is best to bow to the people's will and obey the law.
Last week J. A. Burke and J. O. Mullen, the two frosty joint operators, were arrested. Mullen gave bond at once but Burke went to jail a day and then secured bond.
James Cowan was also arrested last week, charged with bootlegging, but gave bond. Yesterday morning he was arrested on two charges but in default of bond was placed in jail.
J. D. Campbell, W. R. Jones, W. Carroll and J. D. Smith have each been arrested on similar charges but all succeeded in furnishing bail, hence did not go to jail.
Sheriff Cochran thinks he has an abundance of evidence to convict in all the above cases. Furthermore, a United States deputy marshal has been here looking into several of the cases, and thinks the evidence ample to convict in the federal court, in which event the punishment will be a term in the federal penitentiary.
The good people of Childress will stand squarely behind their officers in their efforts to enforce the local option law and it is high time to cease giving the minimum penalty on pleas of guilty. Time has proved that light fines do not deter them from boldly violating the law, and common reason would dictate that it is now time to apply the heaviest penalties permitted under the law.—Childress Post.
Two Bales Ginned.
San Antonio, June 9.—From this season's planting two bales of cotton have been ginned at Von Ormy, Bexar county. Picking in that section is well under way. This is the earliest that a bale of cotton was ever ginned in this county.
South on the International and Great Northern toward Cotulla and Laredo the cotton is reported to be opening fast and by July 1 picking will be well under way. Probably 200 or 300 bales will be ginned in that section before July 1. The fact that a great acreage of cotton is being put in southwest of this city, where planting is from one month to six weeks ahead of North Texas, may cause the cotton crop to begin to move to the market several weeks earlier than has been the custom heretofore, and may change the plans of the purchasers. Crop conditions are reported good and a large crop assured if the boll weevil is not too bad. So far little complaint is being heard.
Federal court at Austin has dismissed the cases against the McDaniel brothers, officers of the First National bank of Granger. They were charged with making false entries on the books and speculating in bank funds.
Sherman has 2,592 children of scholastic age.

The Shortage in Cattle.
We find the following telegraph news item published in the daily papers:
"New York, June 8.—Beef packers throughout the United States and especially this section of the country are becoming alarmed over the great shortage in the beef supply. Since last week the prices have risen from 1 to 2 cents per 100 pounds. This sharp rise in prices is said to be due entirely to a shortage in the supply of cattle in the market and there is talk of having to have beef which was exported to England last winter shipped back to this country in cold storage."
There is much to support the statement that the cattle in the country is now short of the consumptive demand. It has often been asserted that "a cattle shortage exists," or is about to come, and this alarm has so frequently been sounded that it has lost much of its effect, because receipts of cattle at slaughter centers have always kept growing. This time, however, the claim of a shortage is backed up by figures showing a falling off in receipts at the markets, in spite of high prices that should have the effect of bringing out an abundant supply if they were to be had.
Of all the great cattle markets of the country, Fort Worth is the only one that has received as many cattle this year as it did in the same time last year. Chicago has lost 140,000, Kansas City 140,000, Omaha 105,000, St. Joseph 59,000, and St. Louis 48,000. The total receipts of cattle at these points are fewer by 492,000 than they were in 1907. Fort Worth, the only place where more cattle have come than in last year, shows an increase of 21,000, and deducting this increase from the other decreases, we have a net deficit of 471,000 in less than half of the current year.
These figures justify the contention that there fewer cattle on the farms and ranches now than in 1907. Prices have ruled higher than at any time since the extravagant upward rush of 1901, and these would have brought the cattle to market if they were available, or if the owners were not so well satisfied of a shortage that they look for still higher prices by holding back.
This is the situation now. That there is a shortage of cattle is plainly evident. How much of a shortage, is a question for each person interested to settle for himself.—Live Stock Reporter.
The Disease-Conveying Fly.
We had something to say last Wednesday about the fly, the conveyor of filth and disease. Country Life makes some good points against the fly in an article on the subject. After discussing the mosquito, it says some of the biting flies also carry infection in this way, but the house fly, not being able to bite, does not carry the inoculated diseases. It is, however, responsible for the distribution of certain diseases whose causal agent enters the body through the food. In other words, it aids in the distribution of intestinal diseases. The flies do this by carrying the disease germs from the dejecta of the sick to the food of the well. Country Life declares that the disease germs which they carry are Asiatic cholera, typhoid fever, dysentery and tuberculosis. In this country typhoid fever is undoubtedly the most important of the fly-borne diseases, although we are very ignorant in regard to the part which they play in the distribution of dysentery and tuberculosis.
All of this leads up, first, to the

origin or causes of flies and, next, to the means of getting rid of them. One uniform method can not be adopted everywhere for the eradication of flies, but some of the following set rules will apply in every locality and will prove effective:
1. Do not allow any decaying organic material of any sort to accumulate on your premises. Abolish all antiquated sewerage systems and install new.
2. If your cellar is damp, clean out the dark corners at frequent intervals and apply lime.
3. Put kerosene into the drains and also treat with kerosene all waste material not intended for fertilizing purposes.
4. Kitchen waste intended as food for hogs or other animals should be removed and used daily.
5. If kitchen waste is deposited in large cans it should be collected at least once a week.
6. Haul out manure and spread it on the soil every day, or at the outside, every week.
7. If inconvenient to haul the manure out at short intervals, screen the pile so as to exclude flies, or treat it with kerosene or lime.
8. Keep up the work of destroying adult flies by the usual methods.
Edith Kingdon, The Gould Peacemaker.
The sweet disposition, wonderful tact and utter unselfishness of Mrs. George J. Gould have won for her a warm place in the affection of her family. During the trying time of Anna Gould's marriage with the fortune-hunter, Count Boni, and when vulgar curiosity was most rampant, it was all owing to Mrs. Gould that the affair was managed with admirable discretion, says a writer in the New Idea Woman's Magazine for July.
She it was who, with the aid of Helen Gould, at last peacefully adjusted the bitterly contested marriage of Katherine Clemmons and Howard Gould.
Mrs. George Gould enjoys the reputation of being one of the most superb-looking women in society. Her splendid health, queenly figure, which maturity has enhanced, not robbed of its graceful contours; her exquisitely soft brown eyes, retaining the magnetism of girlhood, combined with the grand dame manner absolutely free from affectation, conspire to make her an interesting and fascinating woman. She has learned the art of dressing well, her jewels are royal in their magnificence, and her gowns are creations of the world's famous artists.
Not one of the younger matrons of New York society is more popular and respected, yet in spite of activity in social events, the fierce light that illumines the home life of our wealthy families reveals Mrs. Gould as the loving wife and devoted mother.
Fostering the War Spirit.
A California lady in writing to Dumb Animals, says of the war fleet:
"The evil influence of the glorifying of this naval display upon the youth of our country is far beyond human comprehension. The future will bring fruit which will, I believe, be full of bitterness. If this display were a fleet of merchantmen what a grand sight it would be? Our increased facilities for transportation and commerce would make the United States the greatest world power, respected by all the nations of the earth."
It was announced in Chicago the first of the week that because of "a shortage of cattle and of canned meats, the price of beef and of canned meats will be increased."

CLARENDON, TEX., JUNE 13, 1908.

The old-time Kansas county seat fights, feuds and assassinations are now being repeated in Oklahoma.

It is stated in the dispatches that the train of Tammany delegates to the Denver convention will stop over in Omaha two hours on Sunday so that they can attend church. While there is no class in the country that needs to be preached to more, we believe a greater number of them will find their way through green-latticed doors than will through church doors.

The Sherman Democrat says a good road leads to a good town, a sorry one to a poor town, and this is pretty true. People will drive long distances to haul their products to market over a good road and load back with merchandise. If some other town can be reached with less work and worry than Clarendon loses trade. Trade loss means stagnation.

Washington advices say that indications are multiplying that Secretary Cortelyou will be advanced by the Roosevelt and Taft forces at Chicago as the candidate for Vice President. Secretary Cortelyou himself naturally declined to discuss the matter of his candidacy for the reason that his native state already has in the field a possible candidate for the Presidency in the person of Governor Hughes.

Seaborn Wright, for many years a member of the Georgia Legislature, will, beginning next week, tour the state in the interest of prohibition, according to an announcement made at prohibition headquarters. The number of speakers in the field working for prohibition is to be immediately largely increased, and it is asserted that at least a hundred speakers will be in the field by the latter part of July.

The article in this issue on rendition of property for taxes will give you an idea of how some people shirk their share of taxes by low valuations. The tax question is an important one and requires good business tact to adjust it so there will be no impositions or shirkers. Our county commissioners have been wrestling with the question this week and have made a raise in assessment values of about 25 per cent. It is claimed that the rate will be reduced in like proportion, so that the tax will not be greater than heretofore. If this proves to be correct, no one will be hurt. But it is a well known fact that state expenses have been greatly increased and that for the past two years the revenues have not been sufficient to meet the bills, and unless a good lot of property that has heretofore escaped its share of taxes is assessed and paid on, the rate will not be reduced in the same ratio as increase in values. It is to be hoped, however, that the shirkers can be reached and made to cough up.

No important developments have occurred in the case of the missing mail pouch alleged to contain at least \$50,000 in currency, which disappeared last Saturday night in the union depot at the sub-station local postoffice in Kansas City, according to a statement issued by the chief postoffice inspector Thursday. That official said no arrests had been made. The money was enroute from Los Angeles, Cal., to New York.

At Taneha, Ok., Tuesday night George Wilkins, a wealthy rancher, was killed by a herd of infuriated cattle on his ranch. Wilkins was passing through the corral when the animals, sighting him, made for him. He defended himself with a six-shooter, but after emptying the weapon and killing five steers, was powerless to protect himself further and was gored to death.

Full Rendition Discussed.

Fort Worth, Texas, June 11.—The following article from the Commercial Secretaries' Association, on "Full Rendition," gives figures which measure the difficulties we must overcome in arriving at uniform rendition. The county assessors are now completing their labors, and press reports indicate that we will have a wide variation between the assessed valuation and the true valuation of property in different counties. All citizens should join in an effort to arrive at a solution of this complex problem. The article follows:

The Thirtieth Legislature passed what is commonly known as the Full Rendition Law. It provides that property shall be rendered under oath "according to the reasonable cash market value of such property on the market at the time of its rendition," and if the property has no market value, then the "real or intrinsic value." The assessor is under oath "to inspect all the real estate and improvements thereon subject to taxation" and "make a true estimate of the cash value," and the assessor has authority to substitute his own valuation for that of the property owner. The members of the Board of Equalization are also under oath: "I will not allow any taxable property to stand assessed on the tax rolls of said county for said year at any sum which I believe to be less than its true market value."

In some counties in Texas real property has been rendered at 23 per cent of the value and in other counties at 74 per cent of value, the average being 49 per cent of the true valuation. It requires about \$4,000,000 annually to run the state government, and all property should stand its proportion of this amount, and whether property is rendered at 10 per cent or 100 per cent of its value is wholly immaterial so far as the amount of tax paid on any given property is concerned. The man who owns one thousand dollars worth of property will pay just one-tenth the amount of tax that the man who owns ten thousand dollars worth of property pays, no matter what the per cent of assessed valuation may be, provided all property is rendered on a uniform basis of value.

What we need is uniform rendition as between the estimated true value of property and the assessed value. The Full Rendition Law would, of course, give us uniform rendition if it could be enforced. No state in the union has been able to enforce full rendition and only one county in the United States is credited with full rendition (Suffolk, Massachusetts).

Illinois has the lowest assessed valuation of any state in the union, 15 per cent, and is the only state in the union that has uniform rendition, except Rhode Island, and the area of this state is too small for comparison. New York furnishes the other extreme, with an average assessed valuation of 90 per cent and an extreme variation between counties of from 54 to 98 per cent.

The average assessment of all states is 51 per cent and the average variations range from 34 per cent to 66 per cent of the full valuation. In Texas the average assessment is 49 per cent of the values, which range from 23 to 74 per cent. Our average compares favorably with other states, but our variation is out of line. However, Arkansas, Louisiana, North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia have wider variations in their assessments than Texas.

Live stock should have a much more uniform value than real estate, as the market price can be more readily ascertained. The difference in assessed valuation as compared with the true valuation of this class of property is, perhaps, greater than that of real estate. As shown by the Reports of the Comptroller of Public Accounts published August 31, 1907, table 78, horses and mules, Oldham county has 895 head assessed at \$8,960, or \$10 per head, while

Upshur county has 5,554 head assessed at \$385,480, or \$70 per head. There are 1,506,060 head of horses and mules assessed in 1907 at \$65,525,521, or an average valuation of \$43 50 per head.

In the cattle column Motley county has 42,874 head assessed at \$172,845, or \$4 per head, and Grayson county has 16,878 head assessed at \$271,745, or \$16 per head. There are 6,504,056 head of cattle on the assessor's rolls, valued at \$59,138,381, or \$9 09 each.

The dogs, however, show greater eccentricity in value than any other class of live stock. Lamar county has 364 dogs, valued at \$12,300, or \$34 per head, and Lavaca county has 3,153 dogs, valued at \$3,732, or a little more than \$1 per head. There are 33,141 dogs on the assessor's rolls, valued at \$391,250, or \$11.80 each. Dogs are worth an average of \$2.71 per head more than cattle. Land is rendered at an average of \$4.31 per acre, and an average dog is worth three acres of land, and a good dog is equal to a farm. In Brazoria county, dogs are assessed at \$35, each, horses at \$33 per head, and cattle at \$8 each. A dog in this county is worth as much as four cows. Some counties have more money in dogs than they have on deposit in the banks. We, perhaps, lead all states in the union in the quality and quantity of our dogs.

The effect of the recast of our rendition laws upon uniform assessment value remains to be seen. All parties connected with the assessment of property are under oath to render or see that property is rendered at its true market value at the time of rendition, and, if the property has no market value, then its intrinsic value. There are certain classes of property, such as live stock, farm products and staple articles, on which the market price can probably be ascertained, but farms are not listed in the market quotations, and city blocks are not sold at so much per block. There can be no market without a buyer, and with the bulk of the property other evidence than the market value will have to govern the decision of the assessor. The full rendition law places upon those who have in charge the valuation of property renewed responsibilities which this year must be solved without precedent or comparison and may result in as many systems of assessment as we have assessors, and the operation of this law will undoubtedly be to destroy uniformity.

A Kansas man was quarantined, and thus thanked the officials: "I wish to thank the authorities for quarantining me and my little family for two weeks recently because of the children having the smallpox. During that time my wife caught up with her sewing, being undisturbed by callers just at meal time. We had three big square meals a day, as no one was permitted to go out. We enjoyed two weeks of good, long nights' sleep, and, best of all, a cousin with four children who arrived to visit us saw the smallpox sign on the door and left town so scared that she will never come back any more. I wish to thank the authorities and hope they will accommodate us again next year."—Uncle By, in Western Publisher.

Uncle Sam's unoccupied domain is narrowing down at a rate of arithmetical progression, and the price is advancing at the same rate. Yet there are thousands of free-born, white and homeless young Americans wasting their wages, with never a thought about a time when a home of their own will be beyond their reach.—Southwestern Farmer.

One Billion.

One Billion dollars! This is now the cost of the national government for one year. It looks big to the ordinary taxpayer, but it probably seems quite moderate to the men who have been permitted to issue and dispose of about a billion dollars' worth of watered stocks a year for the past ten years.—Ex.

The Pension Question.

It has been many years since this government engaged in destructive and costly war, but we observe that war pensions have grown to \$163,000,000. This sum was appropriated by the congress which has just adjourned, and is the largest appropriation for pensions ever made by this government.—Tyler Courier.

The pension question is a hard one. Whether it would be better to pay soldiers in time of war wages as would give them a chance to get a start for themselves when the war ended; whether it would be better to insure their lives so as to provide for their families in case of death; or whether it would be better to abandon the pension system entirely is always a matter of dispute. Undoubtedly a great many unworthy people draw governmental pensions. If the burden were divided among the states, as in the south, for the pensioning of Confederate veterans, the government would be rid of it, and yet it would be unfair to require the states which had contributed the most soldiers to have to pay the heaviest pension list.—Ft. Worth Telegram.

As a result of a local option election held in Oregon, county prohibition will prevail in 21 of 33 counties after July. Nearly 500 saloons have been closed in the state since the local option law was enacted.

According to the last city directory, the population of Chicago was 2,367,000, and this is practically borne out by the figures now in the possession of the school enumerators. Chicago's most crowded block houses 2,172 men, women and children.

Blushing to Order.

Mrs. Ellen Glyn, as the author of several rather daring books, defended during her American visit her last book at innumerable functions. "Conventions—conventionality," she said at a tea in New York. "such things remind me in their artificiality of a famous girls' school." "The lady principal of this school took her older pupils to the National academy's spring show. Entering the hall of sculptures, she was heard to say as she looked up from her catalogue: "Attention, young ladies! When we come to the next statue but one you will all blush."

Not the Same Battle.

Not long ago King Edward was visiting a country house near the scene of one of Cromwell's historic battles. Strolling out one day by himself, he met the village blacksmith returning from a shooting expedition. "I say, my good fellow," said his majesty genially, "I understand there was a big battle fought somewhere about here?" "Well—er," stammered the blacksmith, recognizing the king. "I did 'ave a round with Bill, the potman, but I didn't know your majesty had heard of it."

Cottage Hotel.

Just opened; newly furnished, neat and clean. One block from depot, adjoining opera house. \$1.50 per day. M. F. LEE, Prop.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Rooms to rent, furnished or unfurnished. Mrs. C. C. Bearden. The only place to get the Eastman Kodak is at Stocking's store. Binder twine—big supply and price right, at Kerbow & Asher's. For the best up-to-date Jewelry go to Clowers. New stock just in. If it isn't an "Eastman" it isn't a Kodak. You will find the latest samples of 1908 wall paper at Stocking's store. L. L. Cantelon has on sale the best remedy for chicken lice. Try it.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Homer Mulkey was called to Goodnight Wednesday to do some view work.

Yesterday was the hottest of the year, indicating that summer is here in earnest.

Mrs. J. G. Dodson returned Wednesday evening from a visit to the ranch near Goodnight.

Miss Marion Barnett is visiting Miss Nell Perkins at Vernon this week, and will also visit relatives at Altus, Ok.

Mrs. W. C. Culwell, who has been ill for some time, left the first of the week for a hospital at Oklahoma City at the suggestion of Dr. Standifer.

The school trustees have selected Prof. S. W. Reeves, of Lone Oak, Tex., as principal of Clarendon school. This completes the list of teachers, the others being published by us last week.

Rev. Arthur Jones, formerly pastor of the Christian church here, and for some time pastor of the Oak Cliff Christian church, has resigned the pastorate there to put in his time more fully in prohibition work.

Mrs. H. M. Pile, who went to a Fort Worth hospital Tuesday night, was not a patient of Dr. Standifer's, as we understood our informant to say, but Dr. Gray's, under whose advice she went to Fort Worth.

R. E. Williams bought up a load of hogs around Alanreed this week and shipped them to Fort Worth. He says there are a good many young hogs in the country, but about all the marketable ones have been shipped out.

We dropped into Dr. Gould's dental parlor this week and its completeness and convenient arrangement and modern equipment struck us as being strictly up-to-date. He has lately installed an electric motor for driving his dental engine and lath, which runs smoothly, noiseless and very regular.

J. C. Caudle received his 600-gallon street sprinkler Wednesday and put it to use. He was somewhat handicapped by a water supply not being kept in the tank for use, but we are told the water main will be tapped at a convenient corner and the wagon will be kept going constantly. It has already shown to be quite a help in keeping down the dust.

Towne Young, a former Clarendon boy who had his first type-setting experience in the Chronicle office, has just finished his year's law course at Austin in the state university. He has been employed by the Vernon Record manager as local editor until his next term begins in the university in October. Towne has the grit to keep a climber and we are pleased to see him ascending the ladder.

Judge Emanuel Dubbs places his name before the voters of Donley county in this issue of the Chronicle for the office of county judge. He is well known to all the old timers, having been county judge of Wheeler county for 12 years, when Donley and some other counties were attached to it for all court purposes. This gave him an experience in the administration of county and school affairs. For the past 16 years he has been a resident of Donley county, adjacent to and in Clarendon, where he has raised a family of industrious boys, two of whom were associated with him in business the past few years. He says he is not out to antagonize any one, but has been solicited by a large number of voters to offer for the place, and if elected he assures the voters that he will use his utmost to conduct the office in a just and business like manner. He announces subject to democratic primary and respectfully solicits your vote.

R. M. Bost is building a new residence, O. R. Womack having the contract.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lane, at Wichita Falls, a girl, a few days ago.

Mrs. W. T. White, who has been visiting in Clarendon, left for home at Hedley Thursday.

Henry Dickson, a brother of Mrs. C. W. Bennett, is here from Taylor, Tex., on a visit.

Mrs. Clint Rutherford of Tucumcari, N. M., arrived here Wednesday on a visit to relatives and friends.

Mrs. H. D. Ramsey entertained her Sunday school class in a little party yesterday in a most pleasant manner.

F. A. White now has his tailoring establishment to himself, Mr. Peat having moved to the Davis building.

J. L. Davis is meeting with big success in selling the Davis Lone Star Washing machine. His son is engaged in the business with him.

While here Presiding Elder Hardy bought eight acres of land of W. H. Condren at \$800. He expects to build him a permanent home on it.

Miss Aris Baldwin left last night for Ft. Worth for a visit of a week or two. Mrs. Baldwin will leave again Tuesday for another stay on their homestead north of Texline.

Miss Ruby Ryan, daughter of C. W. Ryan, and Claude Jones, of Hale county, were married Wednesday by Rev. Hilburn at the latter's residence. They left soon after for their home in Hale.

A scrap took place Wednesday between Manager Kemp, of the water works, and Dick Allen over a water rent bill. No serious damage, but a little more spending money for the officers.

The new officers of the local order of Royal Arch Masons are: J. W. Morrison, high priest; W. C. Cole, king; N. W. Hatchett, scribe; Wade Willis, sec.; W. H. Patrick, treas. The new officers will be installed Monday night.

Knox Henderson, of Athens, Tex., spent two days here this week prospecting. He is favorably impressed with Clarendon's moral tone and educational advantages and wishes to move his family here, and will do so if he can dispose of his property in Henderson county.

Program B. Y. P. U., Sunday, June 14.
Subject: "Bible Readers' Meeting; Great Chapters." Leader, Miss Dora Burdett.
Scripture Lesson—Psalm 23.
"Life of David"—Paper by Miss Della Witt.
Scripture Reading—John 10:7-18—Miss Ruth Atterberry.
Reading—Miss Lola Lacy.
Special Music—Misses Bourland and Neely.
Questions in the Quarterly.
"How Can the Unreligious Men of Our Town Be Reached?"—Paper by Miss Mary Bourland.
Scripture Reading—Cor. 2:15-10—Miss Beulah Bond.
Reading on Subject—Miss Letitia Rhodes.
Closing exercises.

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STATE NEWS.

Vernon is already taking steps to rebridge Pease river.

Nat Dulworth, a farmer some 30 years old, suicided at Lancaster Wednesday.

Canteloupe acreage around Vernon is small this year and the late storms damaged the vines considerably.

The salary of the postmaster at Vernon has been raised from \$2,000 to \$2,100 a year, beginning July 1, 1908.

Judge Q. Moore was thrown from his buggy in a runaway at Claude last week and was bruised up some.

The Vernon city council consolidated the offices of city marshal and night watchman and fixed the salary at \$65 per month.

A conference of populists at Dallas this week decided to re-organize the party and put a state ticket in the field. J. M. Mallett, the last state chairman, is again in charge. He favors E. W. Kirkpatrick of Collin county for governor.

One hundred and seventy-three deaf and dumb children left Austin Wednesday night to be sent to their various homes all over Texas, this being the close of the school year at the state institution for mutes. The children ranges in ages from 8 to 15 years.

Frank Poard, a negro wife-murderer, was to be hung at Frederick, Ok., yesterday, and the rope and straps to be used are the ones used at Vernon several years ago when the preacher, G. E. Morrison, was hung for murdering his wife at Panhandle eight years ago.

The state penitentiary monthly report of Superintendent Herring and the financial agent's report show convicts on hand May 1, 3,449; received, 92; recaptured, 1; returned by sheriffs, 1; discharged, 58; pardoned, 5; escaped, 4; died, 4; on hand, 3,571 on June 1. The financial agent's report shows a balance on hand June 1 of \$14,084. The receipts for the month were \$67,546, disbursements, \$66,256.

A small tornado hit North Fort Worth Thursday morning. The wind for a while blew at a 50-mile rate. Trees were blown down and signs torn from their moorings. Part of the corrugated iron roof of the Rosenbaum elevator was blown down; the smokestack of the Fort Worth Cotton Oil company, and the flagstaff of Swift & Co., from which was streaming an American flag, and the tops of several freight cars were carried away.

Delegates and ministers from all Congregational churches in the Panhandle district, which includes eastern New Mexico, attended a three days' conference in Amarillo Saturday, Sunday and Monday. State Evangelist Veazle of Dallas, Panhandle Evangelist George A. Chatfield, Rev. T. L. Dyer and others delivered addresses. Although the denomination is one of the latest to begin organized work in this section, it reports very satisfactory progress. This was the first meeting for the district and a district organization was perfected to push the work as the situation demands.

Wednesday morning at El Paso fire damaged the three-story building and contents of El Globo clothing and dry goods store to the amount of \$50,000. When discovered the flames had enveloped the entire rear end of the store. A quick response on the part of the fire department kept the flames from spreading to surrounding buildings. The stock of goods, which is valued at \$50,000, was almost totally destroyed by smoke, fire and water. Five persons in a rooming house over the stores were overcome by smoke and had to be carried out of their rooms and into the street by policemen. All recovered, however.

Market Report.
The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday:
Steers \$3.65 to \$5.60.
Cows \$3.00 to \$4.00.
Calves \$3.00 to \$4.50.
Hogs \$4.85 to \$5.55.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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

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E. DUBBS.
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WADE WILLIS,
J. J. ALEXANDER.
- For Sheriff and Tax Collector,
J. T. PATMAN,
J. MARION WILLIAMS.
- For County Treasurer,
GUSS JOHNSON,
J. M. CLOWER.
- For Tax Assessor,
R. H. ELKINS,
G. W. BAKER,
J. H. RUTHERFORD.
- For County Commissioner Precinct No. 2,
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WASHINGTON LETTER.

CHRONICLE Correspondence.
 WASHINGTON, D. C., June 9.—You have doubtless made a note of the president's ducking at Rock Creek, where his horse reared up and fell back with him. Well, your correspondent has frequently seen the president cross the stream at this place, but always on his own horse, a powerful, well-mannered animal and a fine jumper. A few days since in riding through the park I came upon the president and Postmaster-General Von Meyer jumping hurdles. The postmaster-general rode a chestnut that was a fine jumper, and he took a 5½ feet hurdle with ease. His rider does not weigh more than 140 pounds. The president rode at the same hurdle but his horse balked. The president turned him around and rode at it again, using his spurs as he neared it, and this time sent the big bay over it very clearly. He called out to the postmaster-general and French ambassador who were looking on: "It's a pretty good horse that can take a 200 pound man over a 5½ foot fence like that."

Secretary Taft rides horseback a dark deal. He has a powerful dark bay or brown horse, weighing probably 1,400 or 1,500 pounds. The secretary probably weighs 250, and he is employing every means to keep down his weight. The president has set, or revived, the fashion of riding horseback in Washington, and is seen frequently riding with Secretary Root and other members of his cabinet and with Mrs. Roosevelt and his daughter, but I never saw him ride with Secretary Taft. The latter is perhaps not a rough enough rider for Mr. Roosevelt, who starts off quietly enough for the first mile or two, but sets up a John Gilpin pace when he gets into the rough and narrow bridge paths of Rock Creek park.

There are many rumors as to what the president will do with himself eight months hence when he will vacate the White House. It may be said with certainty that he is now expecting to shoot big game in Africa and will probably go from Cairo up the Nile, stopping at Luxor, Karnak and Thebes to inspect the ruins and the wonderful tombs of the ancient kings of Egypt. Then he will go further by rail to Assuan and inspect the wonderful irrigation dam across the Nile—a dam that will be outdone in some respects by the great Roosevelt dam now building in the far west. The president may continue up the Nile beyond Omdurman and make a detour where he will have his fill of lion, hippopotami, elephant and giraffe shooting. It is understood to be the desire of the president to travel incognito without the fetid and ceremony that would beset his progress at every centre should his identity be disclosed. During the last 10 years, or since he ran for governor of New York, he has had all the brass-band, fireworks and orationical accompaniment that he wants. By letting his beard grow all over his face and wearing a plain traveling suit he will be able to get all the seclusion he yearns for even before he loses himself in a South African jungle.

Administration people here are confident of the nomination and election of Secretary Taft. The president's departure for the antipodes as soon as Taft enters the White House will dispose of the talk that Roosevelt will continue to be the real president.

There is considerable speculation as to who will take charge of affairs in Washington after the president goes to Oyster Bay. Secretary Taft resigns and retires to Cincinnati during the presidential campaign.

Lightning at Hendricks on, Mo., cut a bridge in two. Four men on it were precipitated into Black river and came near drowning. All were injured. One may die.

A steamer bound for Liverpool Tuesday left New York with 1,775 passengers, the largest list ever carried eastbound on one ship.

Charges Against President Harrington Being Heard.

College Station, June 10.—Inquiry into the charges preferred by the Alumni association against President Harrington of the Agricultural and Mechanical college is under way by the board of directors.

The hearing opened Tuesday afternoon with Hatton W. Summers of Dallas as counsel for the alumni. Judge Charles Rogan of Austin, former commissioner of the general land office, appeared in the role of attorney for President Harrington, although he said he was not President Harrington's counsel, but was present merely as his friend, and would assist him until counsel had been arranged for. Dr. J. T. Harrington of Waco, brother of President Harrington, was also present.

Only one witness was examined at the first sitting. This was F. H. Burmeister of McMullen county, whose son graduated Tuesday with honors. Mr. Burmeister testified largely from hearsay and responded to many hypothetical questions. His attitude was hostile to President Harrington, his explanation being that he had been in fear that the college would close down and his son would lose his four years' work. He declared, however, that his son had no personal grievance against the president, and had made no personal complaint to him.

During the cross-examination Judge Rogan asked if the witness thought it would be impossible for the president to maintain discipline if half of the faculty had made the boys believe that the president was making a fight upon members of the faculty. The question was taken as indicating the line of the president's defense to the charge that he is unable to maintain discipline.

Senior and junior classes, at the request of the board, will remain during the investigation.

STATE NEWS.

The republican state convention will be held in Dallas Aug. 11.

Six new concrete and brick buildings are under construction now in Texico and two more will begin at once.

The Henrietta flour mill burned Tuesday. Building and contents are a total loss. The origin is unknown.

The Ft. Worth temperature was 100 in the shade Tuesday and there was one heat prostration that nearly resulted fatally.

John Jones, a poultryman of Fort Worth, suicided by blowing his head off Tuesday. He left five motherless children.

Mrs. Lucy Bishop, a cook recently from Llano, suicided Monday at Ballinger by taking carbolic acid. She assigned no cause for the act.

At Pecos the year-old baby of S. C. Douglass found a box containing strychnine tablets and swallowed 20 of them. After intense suffering the little one expired.

Fire at Ennis Tuesday morning burned out Thomas Walker Shoe Company, Bedford's restaurant, pool hall, the Ennis Pharmacy, F. C. Vickery, wholesale and retail grocery; the Independent Telephone Company, Thomas & Hill, barber shop; W. H. Brown, law office; Dr. J. P. Clark, dentist; Drs. Loggins & McCall's office, and other offices. The loss at 1:30 o'clock was \$100,000 or more. The block was composed of brick buildings, all two story except that occupied by the Thomas Walker Shoe Company.

Already Laughable.
 Reggy Sapp—Ah, Miss Wose, I sometimes wish that I had been a humorist and could make people laugh.
 Miss Rose—But you don't have to be a humorist for that, Reggy.—Chicago News.

Cupid at the Blink.
 The Rival—Proposed to you. Why the dunces must have had wheels.
 Clementine—Both of us had wheels, my dear. He proposed while we were roller skating.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Big as a Mountain.
 Mrs. Benham—You used to say that you would move mountains for me.
 Benham—Well, didn't I bring home your new hat the other night?

CHOICE MISCELLANY

He Knew the Governor.
 Sir Eyre Massey Shaw, for thirty years the head of the London fire brigade, who recently went through an operation which cost him his remaining leg. Is seventy-eight years of age.
 As Captain Shaw he won the devotion of all the men under him by his solicitude for their welfare and his kindness. The following characteristic story is told of him:
 During a fire a fireman was so terribly injured that, late though it was at night, an immediate operation was necessary. On recovering from the anaesthetic which had been administered the patient's first words were:
 "Has the governor been to inquire for me yet?"
 The hospital officials gently hinted that as it was nearly midnight probably Captain Shaw would not be able to come. But the fireman knew "the governor" better than that.
 A few minutes later Captain Shaw came in full evening dress. Injured and in agony though he was, the fireman struggled to salute his beloved chief.

It transpired later that Captain Shaw had hurried away from a society function to comfort this suffering unit of his force.—London Globe.

Substitute For the Bell.
 "It will not be many years," says a clergyman of the city, "before bells for church use will be almost unknown. Even now, when a church desires something to answer the purpose of the bell, the trustees do not buy bells, but tubes, some made of bell metal, others of a composite of several metals. The metal tubes are hung in steeples and struck with a hammer. They give a clear, full note, just like a bell, only more resonant. They never crack with cold or heat and, what is a still greater recommendation, never get out of tone. There is a chime in the city with one or two bells so horribly out of tune that they set people's teeth on edge. Such discord in a chime of metal tubes would be unknown, and, besides, the tone is so much more agreeable than that of the bell that any one who ever hears the two cannot fail to prefer the tube. It sounds like a great organ pipe, so that when one of these chimes is played the impression is that of a huge organ far up in the sky."—New York Times.

Arab Marksmanship.
 Regarding the war in Morocco, the last stages of which wrought havoc among the French troops, a French journal recalls a remark once made by the French general, Canrobert, in describing the taking of Zantecha in the Arabian campaign.
 "All around me," said the famous general, "the staff officers were being killed like flies. I alone remained untouched. Why? For a very simple reason. As usual, I was wearing a full dress uniform, with all my decorations and medals glistening in the sun. Consequently the Arabs aimed at me personally."
 The times have changed since then, and the Moroccans are better marksmen, as the French troops found to their cost.—London Standard.

Dog Too Tiny to Wear City Tag.
 A dog so small that it is unable to wear the ordinary city license tag, weighing a dram and a half, was registered at the city clerk's office the other day. Arrangements for a special license tag suitable to its size will be made. The dog is the property of J. L. Friedman of the firm of Rake, Friedman & Co. After Mr. Friedman had paid the license fee a little black tag was handed to him.
 "Why don't you give me a ball and chain?" he asked. "I want a dog tag, not a horse weight. That would break my dog's back. The dog is only six inches long. It's a Chihuahua dog."
 The difficulty was finally referred to City Clerk John R. McCabe.—Chicago News.

Popular Science.
 In San Francisco the campaign against rats as spreaders of the plague is a subject of universal discussion. A conversation reported by a writer in the Call shows that the topic has reached even the children.
 "What they hunting up all rats fer?"
 "Aw, don't yer know nothing? Rats has the plague, an' if you see one you'd better look out, 'cause you'll get it, too, maybe."
 "If you just see a rat do you get it?"
 "Aw, don't yer know nothing? You've got the plague when you've been bit by a flea what's been bit by a rat what's been bit by a sailor."

Maine's Champion Forgetter.
 The most forgetful man has been found. He lives in a little town in the upper part of York county. He fell ill with symptoms indicating appendicitis and submitted to an operation. To their great surprise and embarrassment the surgeons found that the appendix had already been removed. The patient afforded the necessary explanation when he recovered from the ether by stating that he remembered then, "come to think of it," that he had been through a similar operation two years ago.—Kennebec Journal.

Marriage in Ceylon.
 A young couple, natives of Ceylon, appeared recently before a magistrate in Ohio and asked to be married. All the forms required by the state were complied with, but before the law officer could perform the ceremony a witness who came with the couple objected the thumbs of the contracting parties together. They explained that in their country the act of fastening a man to a woman by the thumb was a sufficient marriage ceremony.—Indianapolis News.

WOMAN AND FASHION

A Stunning Frock.
 A stunning gown of white radium, the skirt elaborately trimmed with tucks and inset points of heavy white lace from knee depth to hem. The bodice is built in jacket effect of the same heavy lace as are the yoke and deep cuffs on sleeves. The former is



OF WHITE RADIUM.

trimmed on each side with four gold tassels, and the girde is liberty satin in a delicate shade of pink. The chapeau of fine white chip is faced with black velvet and adorned in front with a huge coque plume.

The Changing Styles.
 One can do very little in these days without a new pattern. The shape of the shoulders has changed considerably, and there are patterns that show the shoulder and the sleeves all cut in one. This and the other new shapes are quite simple to manage if one has a good guide in the shape of an up to date pattern. And it may be said for the patterns also that they are cheap. Never were they sold at such reasonable prices, and never was there as much thrown into one pattern as this season. One gets all one needs for a gown for the paying out of a very small sum, and the return is much better than though the home dressmaker tried to go it alone. It really pays to get a good guide for one's work.

A Coiffure Hint.
 As every woman knows who has tried it, it is not an easy thing to make a puff of one's hair. Just at the proper minute the puff slips and all one's work is undone. To obviate this there is now on sale in the shops a hair puffer and curler. There is in the set a wooden roller over which a strand of hair is quickly and evenly rolled, six long fine wire pins, with clasps which are inserted along the puff and clasped, holding it firmly in position. The roller is then withdrawn and the puff pinned in position. The clasps are concealed under the puffs. Curls may be arranged by dampening the hair.

Colored Embroidery.
 One of the new and very chic ideas is to do the embroidery in a pale tone of pink or blue, and several of the pretty new linen gowns are worked in butter color, with a bit of white taffeta underlying the embroidery to bring out the design.

New Shirt Waist.
 Shirt waist of raw silk made with stitched pluits which extend down over the sleeves in the latest style.



THE LAST MODE IN SLEEVES.

The plastron is of cluny lace, with plaitings of valenciennes lace and embroidered buttons.

Good Advice.
 "Young man," said a father to his eighteen-year-old heir, "don't you think cigarette smoking is injurious?"
 "Yes, for a man of your age, dad," replied the youngster between puffs.
 "I wouldn't advise you to begin it."—Houston Post.

Citation by Publication.

The State of Texas. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Donley County—Greeting: You are hereby commanded, that by making publication of this citation in some newspaper published in said county (but if not, then in the nearest county where a newspaper is published) for four weeks previous to the return day hereof, you summon The Clarendon Land Investment & Agency Co., Limited, Sir Francis Charles Clifford, John Eldon Gorst, Baron Bateman and Robert Greig, trustees of said company, and its debenture holders, and Ernest Cooper, liquidator and receiver of said company, and John W. McKinnon, whose residence are unknown, to be and appear before the Honorable District Court, at the next regular term thereof, to be held in the county of Donley at the court house thereof, in Clarendon, Texas, on the first Monday in July, being the 6th day thereof, 1908, file Number being 478, then and there to answer the petition of J. W. Helm, filed in said court, on the 28th day of May, 1908, against the said The Clarendon Land Investment & Agency Co., Limited, Sir Francis Charles Clifford, John Eldon Gorst, Baron Bateman and Robert Greig, trustees of said company, and its debenture holders, and Ernest Cooper, receiver, and John W. McKinnon, successor by purchase, and alleging in substance as follows, to-wit: Ownership and possession in fee simple against all the world of 160 acres of land out of Section No. 23, Block No. C-3, in Donley county, described by metes and bounds, as follows: Beginning at a stake under the old C. L. & A. fence; thence 824 yds. n. from the s. w. corner of said section, as located by A. S. Howring in his survey in the Hamlin-Manney case, and 133 yds. w. from a rock said to be the s. w. corner of said survey; thence n. 20 w. 833 yds. to the s. end of the right-of-way of the C. O. & G. Ry. Co.; thence s. 85 10' e. with the said right-of-way 1178 yds. to a stake; thence 320 e. 705 yds. with the old C. L. & A. fence; thence n. 89 40' w. to place of beginning, and alleging that each and all of the defendants on the first day of March, 1907, unlawfully entered said premises and deflected this plaintiff therefrom, and still withhold the possession thereof to plaintiff's damage in the sum of \$600, and praying for citation-judgment of restitution for damages, rents, profits and costs and general relief, being the statutory action in trespass a try title with the prayer for the removal of cloud.
 Herein fail not, but have you then and there before said court this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.
 Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in Clarendon, Texas, this 28th day of May, 1908.
 (Seal) C. A. BURTON,
 Clerk District Court, Donley County, Texas.

OIL TO LAY DUST.
 Cleveland Park Officials Believe It Is Cheaper Than Water.
 Hundreds of gallons of crude oil will be used by Cleveland, O., the coming summer in laying the dust on the boulevards and park roads.
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Women Who Wear Well.
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