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CLARENDON, TEX., OCT. 21, 1908.

Kansas City, Mo., is complaining of the dryest fall for 20 years. They have had less than a third of an inch of rain in 48 days.

With the opening of the fair in Dallas pickpockets and fakirs are catching the unwary pretty often. Burglaries are also frequent.

Editor Hearst is a good deal cooler man than Haskell over that damage suit, but it is likely the latter will cool off on a cooling board before he gets any money.

In the list of democratic campaign contributions to the Bryan fund the name of the Hon. Joseph Weldon Bailey, United States senator, of Gainesville, Tex., does not appear. Suppose he forgot this in a presidential year.

Lamar county officers of the Farmers' union have received word from President Taylor, at Memphis, of the National Ginners' association that for each conviction of persons burning gins or posting reading warning notices, \$100 will be paid by the association.

There is one funny plank in the Denver platform, as follows: "We favor a generous pension policy, both as a matter of justice to the surviving veterans and their dependents, and because it tends to relieve the country of the necessity of maintaining a large standing army." Democrats at Denver, as well as democrats in Washington, are afraid of the "standing army" of almost 1,000,000 pensioners, over 40 years after hostilities ceased, just as the republicans are.

In spite of 2-cent fare and adverse conditions, the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad showed an increase in passenger earnings for the year ending June 30, according to the pamphlet report issued Friday. The Burlington is the only road affected by the low rate measures which became effective July 1, 1907, that has so far reported anything but a decrease in earnings. Perhaps the other roads beat this one juggling the figures.

An interesting ruling regarding the real definition of "family" has just been made by the Civil Service Commission in Washington and parents may be surprised to learn that their children who have left the parental roof and branched out for themselves no longer belong to the "family." It is doubtful if any mother in the land can be persuaded to believe that because a son has married and moved around the corner he is no longer one of the family, but the Commission so rules it. The Civil Service law forbids the appointment in the executive departments of more than two members of a family but there has always been some confusion as to what might be legally construed as a family, and the present ruling relieves the situation by explaining that a family consists only of those who live under the same with the pater familias and that when sons and daughters become the heads of new establishments they cease to be part of the father's family.

The Rev. Abe Mulkey, evangelist, is making political speeches in Beaver county, Ok., for Bryan.

The burning of the Santa Fe roundhouse and shops in Amarillo may mean the removal of the main shops to Clovis, N. M., where they have the most expensive division point on the system in the south.

President Roosevelt has signed a contract with the Outlook to act as associate editor after his retirement from the presidency March next. The president's work in connection with the Outlook is to cover political and economic topics.

Mrs. Ana Marsh, recently from New Mexico, was adjudged insane at Amarillo and Sheriff Hughes took her to the asylum Monday.

Santa Fe Shops Burn in Amarillo

Amarillo, Texas, Oct. 18.—Fire discovered shortly after 5 o'clock this morning destroyed the roundhouse and shops of the Santa Fe railroad in this city, entailing a loss of approximately \$200,000, partially insured. The origin of the fire is unknown, further than that the flames started in the southeast end of the roundhouse and spread rapidly under a stiff south wind through the machine shops. Twelve engines were burned, in addition to several coal cars, the coal chute, water tank, pumping station, oil tanks and sundry supplies. The shops and roundhouse were located beyond the fire limits, and this, coupled with the fact that the fire had made great progress before the alarm was turned in, greatly handicapped the volunteer department. Vast quantities of coal were in the chute and in the yards, and took fire along with the structures of the company. Switchmen and other employees of the system rendered service in the fight, and the removal of a number of engines is attributable to their courage. Only minor accidents were reported in connection with Amarillo's greatest fire. The property is almost a total loss and makes vital the rebuilding of the shops here. It is rumored today that the property will be replaced with buildings of much more elaborate character.

Bulgaria Backs Down.

Paris, Oct. 18.—Bulgaria has backed down, according to Naoum Pasha, the Turkish ambassador, and not only has the probability of war which appeared imminent last night been eliminated, but an understanding between Bulgaria and Turkey is in sight. The ambassador today practically admitted that the two countries were on the verge of war and explained that while his denial of the mobilization of Turkish troops was literally true. It was equally true that mobilization had been previously ordered and then suspended.

Speaking of defeating justice by technicalities and delays, the Appeal to Reason says: "Michigan passed a maximum freight law in 1872, and the railroads have been ignoring it for 26 years. The supreme court of that state has just handed down a decision upholding the law. Gee! but the law is swift! A whole generation has died since the law was enacted and got no benefit from it. Why not turn the law making over to the corporations? Allow a corporation to violate a law for 26 years! If a poor man had broken the same law, if possible, he would have rotted in prison years ago and been forgotten. But justice is free and swift."

Burglars at Ft. Worth broke in the Knight dry goods establishment early Sunday morning, worked the safe combination, stole \$416 cash and \$100 worth of checks.

At Denison Monday Frank Elmore, aged 19, was killed by a live wire while driving a delivery wagon. The wire had fallen across the road, and thinking it dead, Elmore attempted to remove it, the contact causing death instantly.

Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe passenger train No. 17, westbound, the Oklahoma and Texas express, which left Kansas City Sunday night, collided headon with an extra stock train eastbound near Braddock, thirteen miles east of Newton, Kas., Monday. David Roberts, engineer of the stock train, was killed and twenty-two passengers more or less injured, none, it is believed, fatally. Forty head of cattle were killed.

Her Complaint.

A gentleman riding in a railroad train was impressed with two passengers, one a pretty and delicate appearing young lady and the other a plain faced maid. While the mistress was at dinner the gentleman remarked to the maid in a tone of great sympathy: "Your young lady seems very ill." "Yes, sir; she suffers sadly." "Consumption, I should fear." "No, sir; I am sorry to say it is of the heart." "Dear me! Aneurism?" "Oh, no, sir! It is only a lieutenant in the navy."—Philadelphia Ledger.

H. Clay Pierce Loses.

Washington, Oct. 19.—In the extradition proceedings of H. Clay Pierce of the Waters-Pierce Oil Company, of St. Louis, versus Chief of Police Creecy of that city, the supreme court of the United States today denied Pierce his application resisting removal to Texas in connection with the prosecution of his company on the charge of violating the Texas anti-trust laws. The petition for rehearing was based on the contention that the court's decision was turned on points as to whether Pierce has taken false oaths, which it is declared had not been argued before the court.

Catholics And Public Office.

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 18.—Addressing a notable gathering of Catholic prelates and citizens of St. Louis in the banquet of Hotel Jefferson last night, Archbishop John Ireland of St. Paul declared that the Catholics of the United States should be more largely represented in the holding of public offices. He ridiculed the idea, which he said some persons entertained, that no Catholic could ever be President of the United States, and said that if "ever again" a political party rejected a candidate for President because his wife was a Catholic the nominee of that party would be defeated.

Origin of Our Free Schools.

When the socialists are charged with pursuing an agitation that would destroy every institution, human and divine, that man holds sacred, how many people know that the proposal to establish free public schools in this country first met with the same sort of reception? And yet that is a fact. The public school system came into existence through the agitation of a group of weavers, tailors and mechanics in Philadelphia, New York and Boston. These workmen organized a party in 1829 with "free public schools, where the children of rich and poor alike can attend on an equal footing," as its chief demand. A public meeting called to discuss this proposition in Philadelphia at the old city hall was broken up by the police and the speaker arrested and taken to jail. And the New York Evening Post of that day called on "the bankers, the preachers, the merchants, and other respectable members of society," to organize to put down "this pernicious agitation which threatens to undermine the very foundations of society." That must sound very familiar to the readers of certain metropolitan newspapers which habitually thrust forward the socialist bugaboo.—Success Magazine.

Beaten at His Own Game.

"A few days since," relates a solicitor, "as I was sitting with my friend D. in his office a man came in and said: 'Mr. W., the livery stable keeper tricked me shamefully yesterday, and I want to be even with him.' 'State your case,' said D. 'I asked him how much he'd charge me for a horse to go to Richmond. He said half a sovereign. I took the horse, and when I came back he said he wanted another half sovereign for coming back and made me pay it.' 'D. gave his client some legal advice, which he immediately acted upon, as follows: He went to the livery stable keeper and said, 'How much will you charge for a horse to Windsor?' 'The man replied, 'A sovereign.' 'Client accordingly went to Windsor, came back by rail and went to the livery stable keeper, saying: 'Here is your money,' paying him a sovereign. 'Where is my horse?' said W. 'He's at Windsor,' answered the client. 'I hired him only to go to Windsor.'"—Pearson's Weekly.

A Wide Range.

When the surgeon who happened to be spending a night at Bushby Inn had set the broken leg of the weather beaten stranger who was the chief victim of an automobile accident the patient looked up at him anxiously. "See here, doc," he said in a husky voice, "I haven't got much of any money. Would you take out your fee in trade?" "Yes, I guess so," said the surgeon cheerfully. "What is your trade?" "Well, I've got a number of things I can do soon as I'm on my feet again," said the patient. "I can hang window blinds, or I can put on lightning rods, or I can play the cornet, and I can do 'em all first rate, if I'm the one to say it, doc."—Youth's Companion.

STATE NEWS

Dallas is to have an auto fire engine to be located in crowded business section.

Five dollar bills raised to \$20 are being circulated in several Texas cities and towns.

The 4-year-old boy of A. C. Davis drank carbolic acid at Pearshall, soon expiring.

Thomas Sughree, 12 years old, in one day picked near Bartlett 281 pounds of cotton.

Abilene candy factory, a new enterprise, is giving 20 persons steady employment.

Natural gas within the next two months is to be piped from the Petrolia field into Wichita Falls. The line has been surveyed.

The residence of James E. Goodloe, at Mt. Calm, with its contents, was destroyed by fire Tuesday. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Jack Hutchison, while working at a gin in Mount Calm, got his right arm caught in the press, resulting in it being broken at the elbow and wrist Saturday.

In New Boston Saturday H. M. Kington sold a bale of long staple cotton for 13 cents, and \$1 per bushel for seed. The bale weighed 385 pounds and with the seed netted \$80.

Fire at Greenville Saturday destroyed the residence of J. M. Kerr. Mr. Kerr estimates his loss at \$3,500 and held insurance on the house and household effects to the amount of \$2,050.

Citizens of Honey Grove have petitioned Gov. Campbell to send state rangers there to enforce the local option law. Many "frosty" joints were recently established there and are causing trouble.

Fannie Lucile, the 2-year old daughter of Mrs. Bertie Lowery of near Blue Ridge, Collin county, is dead from the effects of being fearfully scalded. She was playing near where her mother was washing Thursday and fell into a kettle of boiling water.

Rev. C. N. Bently, a Baptist minister of Beaumont, arrived in Center Saturday night. Before retiring he mailed a letter to a friend saying that he had come to Center to die and asking that he be buried there. His body was found. He took poison. No cause for the act is known.

Fire caused by the explosion of a gasoline stove in a restaurant at Valera Saturday, owned by W. M. Whitlow, destroyed the restaurant and building, burned the stores of the J. W. Gates Mercantile company and the Union Trading company. The total loss is about \$15,000; no insurance.

Austin P. Fleming, employed in a furniture factory in east Dallas, was attacked by an unidentified negro and stabbed in six places about the head, face and body early Sunday morning. An artery in the left side was severed and Fleming nearly bled to death before surgical treatment could be administered. The negro escaped.

Oscar Broussard and his son, Jesse, aged 9 years, are dead, and Will Hest is under arrest at Newton charged with the killing. Broussard was the proprietor of a confectionery and cigar store and it is charged that Hest, angered because he was refused further credit, left the store Saturday night, and returning with a rifle, fired at Broussard, the ball passing through his body and striking the boy, Jesse, who was behind his father, killing him instantly.

The body of W. C. Chesure, aged 60, was found Saturday by Marion Seabourn in the Sanders pasture, four miles west of Eastland. Chesure was gouged, pommelled and kicked to death by a dehorned bull, was the verdict of the coroner's jury. His hat, coat and parts of his clothing were scattered for 100 yards and the body was badly bruised. He had started for a threshing when it is believed the bull overtook him. From signs, a terrible struggle between the man and animal followed.

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Paper From Corn Stalks.

Millions of dollars annually will be added to the income of farmers of the corn belt if the government chemists are correct in their belief that they solved the problem of making print paper from corn stalks.

The cost of wood pulp from which the newspapers of America are supplied with paper and the possibility of exhausting the supply have long been incentives to experimenting with other material.

Corn stalks, because of their abundance and their apparent fitness for paper making, have attracted the attention of investigators, and chemists of the Department of Agriculture began to work on the problem several years ago.

Dr. H. S. Bristol, the chemist in charge of the work, has made corn stalk paper in five different shades. The white is said to be made from the hard outside shell of the stalk, while the pith furnishes the yellow grades.

The important thing is that the chemists believe they have devised processes of treatment that will lower the cost of paper made from corn stalks.

The stalk is reduced to pulp by cooking under what is known as the "soda process". Only two and one-half hours of cooking is necessary, against thirteen or fourteen needed when wood chips are put in the digester with a caustic soda solution.

So far the work has been done in the laboratory on a small scale, but the department is going to begin operations at once on a more elaborate plan.

What the successful manufacture of corn stalk paper would mean to the Southwest is evident when it is considered that according to the reports of the Department of Agriculture Kansas has 7 million acres of corn, Missouri and Nebraska about 7 1/2 millions each, and Oklahoma millions.

While nobody knows what price corn stalks would bring for paper it is evident that they would add millions to the wealth of the Southwest.

The safest preventive against the spread of contagious diseases is plenty of ventilation. Plenty of fresh air for the sick, plenty of fresh air for the well.

The following story amused a crowd of men in the Right Way lobby a few nights ago, says the Bartlesville Enterprise.

"Say, there's a man around there what's been fightin' with my father for almost an hour."

C. C. Lovick was fined \$500 Saturday in the Kansas City, Kas., police court for carrying a revolver without a permit.

Beer Money and Churches.

In the eighteenth century there were no temperance societies or bands of hope, nor Rechabites and blue ribbon army. To be as "drunk as a lord" was the height of human felicity.

The money spent on the beer was expended by the churchwardens in church maintenance, and the muddled roisterers no doubt believed themselves to be pillars of the church even when, under the influence of the alcohol, they rolled upon its pavement.

"I got Cleveland's autograph," said the friend, "by addressing to him a little ode on his splendid work in the White House against the Russo-Japanese war—or was it something else?"

"Dear Sir—I have read your verses with interest. They appear to me very deficient in sense and substance."

"I noticed many faults and weaknesses in your rondeau, which, however, made me laugh heartily."

Mrs. Silas Bennett was a philosopher. On a certain dismal occasion some of the neighboring women were condoling with her.

Late one night a clergyman was called out to minister to an old man—a worker upon the adjacent railway—who was supposed to be dying.

Rodrick—Howdy, old man? We are going on a camping trip soon.

Mamma—Tommy, I see you took two pieces of cake instead of one, as I told you.

Mrs. Doyle—I don't see how you figure it. You were twenty-two when you had your black silk, and you haven't had a new dress for ten years.

She—You'll be glad to learn, dear, that I've got out of visiting our relatives.

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Cold Feet.

'Tis sad when you have looked and seen that when you draw to get a queen you got a queen, and you do fret.

Pat (as he hears the top of the tall ladder, unconscious that the bag of sand on his shoulder is leaking)—'Tis throe that they say in high altitudes—th' higher ye climb th' lighter things get!

"Does he play golf?" "Not exactly. He plays bridge."

Mary had a little lamb. But that was long ago. Where and how it disappeared The next verse will show.

It followed her to school one day; 'Twas on the last trip it took.

Strenuous Otspring—Ma, I want more jam.

Easy Going Parent—All right, dear. Go down to the trolley terminus and get in the rush.

Camp, camp, camp; the boys are camping.

And they'll all come back to town Insect peppered, blistered brown.

The Rich American Artist's New English Butler (looking at Venus de Milo)—Excuse me, sir. Is it Lord Nelson?

Artist—Oh, no; Nelson lost only one arm.—Harper's Weekly.

For expert wisdom is a prize that's grand.

Just a Title.

"What do you pay your chef?" "Fifty a month."

"Well, you see, he's a chef only in name."—Plek-Me-Up.

"Just welch me, please," said the dude To the man who weighed for mon.

At the Party.

When Eraer says, "I am so short," And starts his same old song,

Back to Utah.

Music Publisher—I want you to write that new song in five flats.

We Know Them.

A certain class of men, we guess, Are very much like drums;

The Reason.

Bucker—Why does the preacher address his congregation as "Beloved?"

Woman gets her wires crossed.

At the Concert.

He—That girl certainly has an admirable voice.

Religious Statistics.

The 1,500,000,000 of human beings living on earth are by the best authorities roughly divided religiously as follows:

Guidebooks. Guidebooks for travelers are an English invention.

Ozone. Ozone was discovered by Schonbein of Basel in 1840 while experimenting with the then newly invented battery of Sir William Grove.

Lighthouses. There are over 6,000 lighthouses erected on the most dangerous points on the world's coasts.

Kites in Tuscany. Tuscan boys, like most others, delight in flying kites, but custom does not permit them to do so except during Lent.

Hackney Coaches. Hackney coaches derived their name from the French coche-a-haquenee, a vehicle with a hired horse.

Arab Music. Arab music has been described as the singing of a prima donna who has ruptured her voice in trying to sing a duet with herself.

Infectious Diseases in Russia. In no country in the world are infectious diseases so frequently mortal as in Russia.

Bones of the Arm. It is a curious fact that the bones of the arm are arranged primarily for the purpose of carrying the hand to the mouth.

A Burman Mile. A Burman mile is about equal in length to two English miles.

The Porgy. A peculiarity of the porgy is its liability to blindness.

Terraced Mountains. In ancient times many of the mountains of Palestine were terraced, and some of these terraces still remain.

The Electric Torpedo. It was during the war between the states in this country that the electric torpedo was for the first time thoroughly tested and proved.

Turkish Heiresses. In Turkey heiresses do not come into control of their private fortunes until they marry.

Shellfish Silk. A shellfish of the Mediterranean has the power of spinning a viscid silk which in Sicily is made into a very handsome fabric.

Bessemer. The first British recognition of Bessemer's work came from the Institute of Civil Engineers.

Detecting Flaws in Metal. To detect hidden cracks opening from the surface of metals the surface is first moistened with kerosene.

A Buddhist Custom. A custom peculiar to Buddhists is that of wandering about the country with hammer and chisel and carving holy symbols upon rocks by the way-side.

Oldest Medical Recipe. The oldest medical recipe is said by a French medical journal to be that of a hair tonic for an Egyptian queen.

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