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### The Solons at Austin.

At the meeting of the state legislature this week temporary organization was effected as follows: Chief clerk, Bob Baker, Bexar county; sergeant-at-arms, Seb Newman, Ellis county; assistant sergeant-at-arms, Chas. Burkes, Bell; E. B. Willis, Denton, J. C. Adrian, Travis; W. S. Castle, Tarrant; journal clerk, J. L. Robison, Leon; doorkeeper, W. J. L. Sullivan, Cass.

Kennedy was elected speaker, as mentioned in Wednesday's Chronicle.

Frank Hornbuckle of Bosque county was elected sergeant-at-arms of the senate, defeating C. H. Allen of Travis county by a vote of 16 to 15. The contest over this position was keen.

A feature of the proceedings in the house was the presence of Rev. Dr. Rankin and a committee of submissionists, who occupied the seats directly above the speaker's stand.

Senator Paulus of Lavaca county said he would introduce a constitutional amendment providing that occupation taxes collected shall remain in the county in which they are collected and not turned over to the state treasury. The purpose is not to let local option counties profit by revenues collected in the wet counties.

After the senators had been sworn in a resolution by Senator Willacy was adopted, providing for the election of officers as usual and including 13 committee clerks, two general clerks, a clerk to the finance committee and a notarial clerk; also that the lieutenant governor appoint a private secretary, a postmaster, 7 pages and 6 porters. The salaries are to be \$5 per day for all except the pages and porters, who shall receive \$2 per day.

Senator Willacy made the following nominations, the elections being unanimous in each case:

Secretary, Clyde Smith; assistant secretary, J. R. Waities; journal clerk, R. M. Gilmore; assistant sergeant-at-arms, D. F. Hughes; assistant journal clerk, John Johnson; calendar clerk, W. E. Delamar; assistant calendar clerk, Daniel Craddock; enrolling clerk, M. P. Kelly; assistant enrolling clerk, W. M. Beaumont; engrossing clerk, F. B. Smith; assistant engrossing clerk, G. H. Barney; doorkeeper, Tom Rogers; assistant doorkeeper, Ben McClure; stenographers, M. T. Barrett, Miss Eula Harlock, Miss Jennie Dougherty, W. R. Vermillion, Miss Rachel Lang, Miss Theodora Bell, Miss Margaret Claiborne, Miss J. C. Nagel, Mrs. H. H. Hawkins, Miss Viola Morris, Jack Hall, Miss Mary McSpadden, Miss Beatrice Alexander; general clerks, Daniel Watson, J. H. Wagoner; bookkeeper to sergeant-at-arms, Charles Ruge.

Fifty-seven members of the house either opposed or are instructed against submission, and 11 in the senate. Some of these place the vote of their individual district above party instructions and may be won over by the submissionists.

The appointment of the constitutional amendments committee, with Hill as chairman, is in line with Kennedy's promises.

Senator Holsey will reintroduce the bill making it a felony for state representatives and senators, congressmen and United States senators to be attorney for public service corporations. Thomas signs with him. Eight holdover senators are known to be favorable to the passage of the bill. Holsey claims sixteen votes certain for it.

It is not the color that makes the prize fighter a tough citizen, but is usually the tough citizen that makes the prize fighter.—El Paso Times.

### Big Navy Expenditures.

Washington, Jan. 11.—An increase of the navy to the extent of 29 million dollars was agreed upon today by the House committee on naval affairs. The following naval programme for appropriations at this session was adopted by the committee:

Two battle ships of 26,000 tons displacement, 19 million dollars; five torpedo boat destroyers, 4 million dollars; three colliers, \$3,600,000; four submarines, 2 million dollars, and one subsurface boat, \$400,000.

The Secretary estimated that the cost of each of the new ships, which Admiral Pillsbury, chief of the Bureau of Navigation, describes as the "most powerful ship in the world," would be about 9 1/2 million dollars, but the members of the committee anticipate the cost will be 10 million dollars before they are completed.

If the committee heeds the advice of Secretary Newberry, neither of the big battle ships will be constructed at a navy yard.

"I do not believe it is advisable," said the Secretary, "to construct large vessels or battle ships in navy yards, except at rare intervals and under peculiar conditions. My belief is that our navy yards should be maintained for the repair, maintenance and efficiency of the fleet. We have enough to keep our plants busy with the repair of ships."

### Tennessee for State Prohibition.

Nashville, Tenn., Jan. 13.—The passage of a state-wide prohibition bill in the senate yesterday afternoon by a decisive vote of 20 to 13, after a debate of seven hours, practically insures the final success of the measure. The house committee having the bill in charge recommended its passage by a vote of 12 to 4. It is the plan of the state-widens to call the bill up in the house today for final action, and there will be no difficulty in putting it through. The bill will then go to the governor and it is generally understood he will veto it. Should he do so, it will only require a majority of the members in the house in which the bill originated to pass it over his veto.

### Bankers to Make a Good Demand.

Austin, Jan. 13.—When the leading bankers of Texas meet here February 20, it is announced that a state law will be proposed to imprison all financiers who borrow money from their own banks. Banking Commissioner Love is drafting the measures. The bankers will at this meeting show how they stand on the deposit guaranty policy.

The "101" ranch house, near Bliss, Okla., was destroyed by fire Wednesday morning. Ten persons narrowly escaped death. Loss, \$25,000; partially insured. The origin of the fire is unknown.

An extraordinary disinterment took place in Reggio Tuesday when a 3 year-old girl was taken from the ruins alive and uninjured after sixteen days' burial. The possibility of the girl having had nourishment is excluded and it is believed part of the time she was in a cataleptic stage.

Captain Ross has arrived in Amarillo from Alice, Texas, accompanied by five state rangers. This company supplants Captain Johnson's men, who have been there since the close of August. The state officers are there for the purpose of looking into the manner of Ranger Thomas' death and perhaps other infractions of the law, including alleged violations of the local option statutes.

### After Patent Medicine Peddlers.

The druggists of Texas are to get after the traveling vendors with prohibitory license fees and fines. They will present a bill to the present legislature with the following provisions:

Everyone desiring to peddle drugs in any manner or in any way shall make application to the State Dairy and Food Commissioner in writing, the application to be accompanied by a sample of the goods which the person desires to peddle, and a check for \$100. After examination by the Food Commissioner, if no injurious drugs are found in the drug or remedy, the Commissioner shall grant a license to the peddler, but the medicine shall be so labeled that everyone may know what it contains. The license for selling drugs or remedies in any form is \$100 per month or for any fraction thereof, the first remittance to the Food Commissioner when a permit is desired being considered as the first payment on the license. The funds from licenses go to the State Dairy and Food Commissioner to be used in the discharge of his duties.

The penalty for not securing the proper license is not less than \$100 nor more than \$200 on the first offense, and not less than \$200 nor more than \$400 on the second offense, half of the fine going to the Food Commissioner's funds, and the other to the prosecution and county funds.

### What Kansas City Has Done With Water Works.

The revenues from the water works for the fiscal year ending next April are expected to reach \$800,000. The cost of operation last year was about \$400,000. There is no special reason for any material increase in operating expenses this year. That would mean 100 per cent profit over the cost of operation.

There is a charge against this profit of a small sum for the interest on about 4 million dollars of bonds, a large part of which have been bought in by the city and placed in the sinking fund to save the interest.

Since the city has owned the plant—about thirteen years—the value has increased from 3 million to 9 million dollars, a reduction of 25 per cent has been made in water rates and the service has been improved 100 per cent.—Star.

Rev. V. T. Tracey, rector of a leading Episcopal church of Brooklyn, N. Y., is believed to have perished in a snowstorm in the Guadalupe mountains in New Mexico. He was visiting a son at Carlsbad, New Mexico, and went to Queen, sixty miles away to marry a young couple. Attempting to get from one ranch home to another he became lost in the blinding snowstorm, with thermometer at zero.

Walter Wellman says the Panama canal has developed into a vexatious problem from the engineer's standpoint. He says it is now believed in many quarters that the present canal scheme may not be safely adhered to. Mr. Taft will visit the canal site accompanied by a number of engineers. Of course every species of graft should be kept out of it and every expenditure count to the good. But even if it should cost more than it should, its completion and operation is going to be the biggest thing for Texas of anything ever constructed outside of the state.

Boston's Chinatown Monday ended a 48-hour celebration by the On-Leong Tong with a banquet of 101 courses. Birds nest soup was billed on the menu at \$2.50 a portion and \$2 was paid for sharks' fins.

### Preachers too Worldly.

New York, Jan. 10.—John C. Havenmeyer, who quit the sugar trust so that his work for social betterment might not be criticised as that of a "trust magnate," said yesterday that he was living the life of a recluse in order to finish a book on a "spiritual revolution," which he predicted as a likely sequel to the "present professionalism" of the clergy.

"I believe that one of the profound evils of present time is the professionalism of the ministry," said Mr. Havenmeyer. "Men nowadays go into the clergy the same as they become physicians and lawyers. Many of them are after luxurious rectories and social pleasures. Too many preachers believe what they preach, they are afraid to say so, for losing a good living. They entertain their congregations worldly ways. Some of the vices they have introduced, ample, are hardly more than necessities. Consequently, the church is fast losing its hold upon civilization. I foresee a veritable spiritual revolution as the result of all this."

### Tillman to Swing His Pitchfork Again.

Washington, Jan. 12.—"Many people are sending me material in regard to Roosevelt's dark and crooked ways and I am preparing a speech in which I will try and redeem my promise made yesterday," said Senator Tillman today. He said he did not know how soon he would be able to deliver his speech, but he would make it before the president retires from office. Mr. Tillman today received a telegram from Henry Watterson congratulating him and saying: "You have certainly met every requirement of public duty and private honor."

### His Call Bird.

As he was passing a cab which had drawn up outside a railway station the young man suddenly beheld a purse lying on one of the seats.

Deftly snatching up the article unobserved, he hailed the cabby and told him to drive as fast as possible to a street a short way off. When he entered the cab his face had been wild with excitement, but as he paid his fare and hurried away there was an unmistakable look of disgust on his countenance.

The cabby looked after him with a grin and, entering his vehicle, calmly came out with the very purse the young man had extracted from the seat.

"There!" he murmured, eyeing the object lovingly. "That's the seventh fare this old purse has brought me since I picked it up this morning and put it on that seat!"—Chicago American.

### May it Continue So.

"Texas is fortunate in that her statesmen have heretofore retired from public service with clean hands and hearts. They have not been mixed up with questionable transactions of any character and have never made fortunes out of their offices. Their examples are worth more to the young Texans of today and of coming generations than much fine gold. One great truth should be deeply impressed upon the patriotic young men and boys to go forth to make fortunes out of the public service."—Dallas News.

There will be thirty-one legislatures in session during the session of the Thirty-first Legislature of Texas, and that the members of the Texas law-making body may have the benefit of current legislation, State Librarian Meyers has arranged to procure the bills introduced and passed in other states.

### Mexican

El Paso between Ciudad Juarez and El Paso this morning test ever ring. The tiger was disposed largely by 5, 30, and 10 was the

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### Towboat in the World is on the Ohio.

The largest and most powerful towboat of the world should be found in the middle west instead of along the seacoast must appear strange, but such is the case. The greatest towing steamer is the Mississippi river boat Sprague.

The method of towing on the Mississippi and other western rivers is unique and totally different from that practiced in any other section of the world. Instead of steaming ahead, with long hawsers attached to the vessels which are being moved, or even fastening the tug directly alongside the barge or canal boat, the western river towboat attaches itself at the rear of the flo-tilla, and either pushes or simply guides the mass as it floats down stream. Owing to the peculiarity of the currents of the great rivers of the west a steamboat would only court disaster to her tow should she steam ahead of the barges when going down stream.

When they are being pushed upstream full power is of course exerted at all times and, although the progress necessarily is slow, there is less trouble than when the boats are being navigated with the swift current of the river.

Some time ago the Sprague took down the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, a distance of 2,500 miles, the largest coal tow that ever floated on any waters.

This tow consisted of 56 coal-laden boats and two fuel barges, in all consisting 1,400,000 bushels, or 53,200 tons of coal. Each of the coal barges was 175 feet long by 29 feet 3 inches wide and 10 feet deep, their capacities running from 25,000 to 26,000 bushels each. The total length of tow and steamer was 1,132 feet and the width across the barges, which were arranged 12 abreast, was 312 feet. The total area covered by the 56 boats was 5.9 acres.

Gompers has been endorsed and the American Federation of Labor is in politics. We shall hereafter see a scramble between the parties to see which can promise the most for the labor vote.—St. Louis Star.

The Dallas News takes to itself this bit of consolation on Texas weather: "In Texas, the weather clerk orders the weather in layers, a streak of cold with a streak of warm, which enables the citizen to pay for his coal before it is all gone."

A girl and a second baseman picked up each other's suit cases on a train. The exchange was not so disastrous, for she got a ball suit and he a ball gown.—Ex.

### STATE NEWS

The last freeze caused considerable loss in stock south of the T. & P. road in west Texas as far south as San Antonio.

At Paris Tuesday night the residences of Mrs. James Rucker and G. T. Thompson were consumed by fire. Owing to the freezing weather the firemen fought the flames with difficulty.

J. F. Elsasser lost a barn by fire Sunday morning on his farm three miles from Sanger. Loss about \$500, insurance \$300. Clint Chapman, the tenant, lost a buggy and a considerable amount of feed.

W. G. Gill, a merchant of Palestine, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. Liabilities are placed at \$1,600; assets, not including exemptions, \$1,700, and consists of stock, fixtures and accounts.

Doley Nuckoles, the 19 year-old son of W. T. Nuckols, at Blossom, was kicked in the abdomen by a mule colt this week and came near being killed. He had to be picked up and was carried in the house helpless.

In Dallas Tuesday the \$20,000 residence of A. P. Tenison was damaged by fire to the extent of \$10,000, and the damage to the furniture and furnishings also amounted to several thousand dollars.

At Houston Wednesday Joe Watson, keeper of the Santa Fe watchtower in that city, was found frozen to death in the tower. He had held the position twelve years. A watch and \$650 was found in his pockets.

An oil stove exploding in the room occupied by Dr. Ernest W. McKenzie, in Mrs. Irvine's residence at Barstow Tuesday seriously burned the doctor, who was asleep at the time, and destroyed the residence and contents.

Dave Wilson and his 14-year-old son were drowned in the Trinity river, near Wildcat Crossing, Monday afternoon, their boat being capsized by a snag in the stream. An 8 year-old son, also in the boat, succeeded in saving himself.

The democratic presidential electors met in Austin Monday, cast 18 votes for Bryan and Kern for president and vice president of the United States, selected George M. Bailey of Houston as messenger and intrusted to his care a certified copy of the vote to be delivered by him to the president of the United States senate. Bailey left for Houston and will proceed at once to Washington.

### Supreme Court Enjoyed Joke.

It is not safe for the average citizen to take liberties with the United States supreme court, but they have fun with each other, these grave and reverend dignitaries of the woolsock. The other day a case was pending in which a homesteader claimed damages against a railroad for the occupation of certain land. It was pretty plain that the homesteader had waited ten years or so to claim his damages in order that the land might increase in value and permit him to make his claim larger. "Do you think it is equitable and just?" demanded Justice Brewer of the claimant's lawyer, "for your client to demand \$1,000 from the railroad for this land when your client acquired the same by paying the merely nominal fees of a few dollars assessed by the government?" "But, if your honor please," retorted the lawyer, "the railroad paid nothing at all." "Ha, ha," laughed Justice Harlan in a lusty voice, and then he deliberately leaned forward and grinned at Brewer. And Brewer grinned, too, at his own discomfiture. Harlan will be 75 next June. Two of his passions are golf and chewing tobacco.

A real 4-legged hog is content with enough.—A 2-legged one wants more than enough, no matter how many of their brothers suffer.—Rip Saw.







Business locals five cents per line for first insertion and 3 cents for subsequent insertions. All locals run and are charged for until ordered out. Transient notices and job work are cash, other bills on first of month.

**Phone for 150** and all of the local news you can think of that will interest our readers. This will be but little trouble to you and greatly help us to make a more newsy paper.

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

J. F. Jones has sold part of his land to Rev. G. S. Hardy.

Robt. Sawyer lost two horses Thursday from blind staggers.

J. I. Cole has sold his place to a Mr. Lyons from Ellis county at \$1,050.

Miss Virgie Morris, of Stratford, is visiting students at the college this week.

C. H. Rowe, of Alareed was over on business Thursday and called in to see us.

Mrs. Skinner has bought the Thaggard place and Mr. Thaggard will go to Plainview.

J. A. Burdett has traded 20 acres of his place north of town for 80 acres in Henderson county.

A. L. Chase, of Cleburne, arrived last night to look over the waterworks and light plant.

Mrs. Kate Hilderbrand is reported quite ill at her sister's in Memphis. Her son, Clarendon Hilderbrand, went down Thursday.

Mrs. Updike has rented Mrs. Lockridge's boarding house and taken possession. The latter has moved to the Cuba Blackwell place.

Roy Stocking went to Dallas Saturday and returned the first of the week with Mrs. Stocking, who has been visiting her mother there for some time.

By invitation Rev. Burroughs will preach tomorrow at Federick, Ok. The pulpit here at the Baptist church will be supplied at the usual hours by some one.

Occasionally a man who has thought about the comfort of the dumb brute is seen to cover his horse with a blanket when hitching these cold days. Horses catch cold and get sick just like a man when exposed to cold not properly protected.

Dr. J. F. McGhee, the veterinarian, and Miss Leuna White were married at the residence of J. W. Parsons Wednesday evening. Justice A. J. Barnett performing the ceremony. They left for Amarillo, but it is not yet known whether or not they will make that their home.

**District Court**

In addition to the business disposed of in court as reported Wednesday, the three young fellows from Jericho charged with burglary, were tried and convicted and given two years each. Their names are Wm. Shafer, C. L. Marshall and Jas. Malony.

J. B. Dale vs. Powell Trading Co., suit, dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

First National Bank vs. Clarendon Mercantile Co., suit on check, continued.

The above winds up the business for this term, and Judge Browning goes next to Claude, where court opens Monday. He stated to us yesterday that the law in the Panhandle is now being pretty rigidly enforced and that in the two years he has served as district judge he has sentenced about 45 men to terms in the penitentiary.

**Y. P. U. PROGRAM, Jan. 17.**

Reading Luke 14:25. Scripture reading and prayer—President. Reading—Miss Lola Lacy. Violin Solo—Sadie Woodward. Short Address—Pastor. Special music. Initiation of new officers. Closing exercise.

**Now Groceries.**

If you want new, clean and fresh groceries, call at T. H. Allen's, or phone No. 18.

**Northside Improvement Club.**

We, the undersigned citizens of Clarendon, Texas, propose to organize northside Clarendon into a town improvement club for the development of the north side. Our purpose is not to antagonize the commercial club, but rather to ally ourselves with that club, for we, too, are citizens of Clarendon:

W. M. Stevens, Henry Williams, A. J. Williams, R. A. Chamberlain, J. S. Fleming, J. D. Jefferies, David Johnson, S. W. Pool, E. H. Weinger, W. S. Smith, T. M. Tinkle, S. E. Atteberry, J. L. Davis, W. J. Adams, P. O. Adams, N. S. Percival, O. D. Lelsberg, M. W. Andis, V. B. Smith, F. C. Whipple, J. M. Williams, W. A. Allan, Clinton Philips.

A meeting will be held next Tuesday at 3 o'clock, place to be designated later.

**Newspaper Goes Where No Salesman Can Hope to Enter.**

The assistant traffic director of the Harriman lines, E. O. McCormick, at a recent meeting in Kansas City of the California Fruit Growers' Exchange, paid this tribute to the newspaper, while speaking of advertising "as a commodity":

"Reading the newspaper is as intimate a part of our life as sleeping and eating. It is a rare person who does not at least glance over his daily or weekly paper, and to the great majority of people it is the only avenue open to their minds accessible to those who have things to sell. The peculiar strength which is all its own is well put by a recent writer in the following words:

"The newspaper carries suggestions into the family circle at leisure moments in parlor or library, where no salesman is ever permitted to enter."

"It is in closer touch with and exerts a greater influence in the home than any other printed thing. To start with: There are in the older communities a vast number of people who have inherited the continuance of the paper which their parents read. It is as real to them as 'proofs of holy writ.' To practically all others it is their own choice. The intelligence of the world's doings is gleaned from its pages. That which many deem their own judgment, as related to current topics, is merely a reflection of what they have read in their home paper. What reaches them for the first time in today's paper, in a week or a day later has become their belief and knowledge. And now that I remind you of it, you have a friend or neighbor whose conversation is largely made up of what he has read in the day's paper. He does not add any new thought to it, either, or indeed any new words, except perhaps the three—'they do say.' Of almost equal value to the advertisers, in my judgement, is the distribution factor of the newspaper; for, after all, distribution is the most important detail of advertising and the one which should command your constant attention.

"As to distribution: Any other printed matter involves a distinct and separate work, with all kinds of obstacles. When you use the newspaper you do not have to create circulation, or attend to it. The circulation is."—Newspaperdom.

Hill county citizens are very slow about paying poll taxes.

At Dallas Wednesday night the fourth story of the Dorsey Printing company was climbed up to by thieves and nearly \$500 worth of goods stolen.

The federal authorities have seized four schooners at Galveston under an investigation of smuggling Chinese into this country from Mexico. The authorities refuse to give any particulars and do not say whether any Chinese were found on board.

Buy your groceries from T. H. Allen. Goods are right, prices right and service right. Phone 18

Our "Good for Bad Boys" school shoes are the ones for boys. Rathjen's Shoe Store.

Finest cut glass at Fleming & Bromley's, the nicest in town. See the window display.

**State Press Stands Aside From the Conflict.**

State Press seems to have been instrumental in introducing to each other two modern Goliaths, which accent on the second syllable. In witness whereof the following is hereto appended:

"A Jefferson county farmer who helps make Jefferson county the greatest rice-producing county in the United States, and who raises oranges, figs and other good things in abundance, and who rides to town over the finest shell roads in the south, has asked us what our opinion is of the man who will grub mesquite roots out of the snow in west Texas, when he can live in south Texas as cheaply. But our opinion is not forthcoming; we don't "cuss."—Beaumont Journal.

Gird up your loins, oh Daily Panhandle man of Amarillo; look well to your armor, oh, Dalhart Texan; oh, ye Childress Indexers, ye Clarendon Chroniclers, ye Stamford News men and ye Sweetwater reporter, look well to your side arms and accoutrements of war, for verily in southwest Texas hath arisen a champion who would knock the west with a hammer that looks like an engine of destruction."—Dallas News.

"The Daily Panhandle has not eaten alive an eastern Texas editor for two weeks, and there is a vacuum under our belt that is really painful. Now that we have this one in our trap, just listen and hear his bones "craunch." And the Dalhart Texan and the Childress "Indexers" and the Clarendon "Chroniclers" and the other west Texas head hunters can have a hunk of him, too. Of all places on this mundane sphere, Beaumont, the climate unspeakable, the jaundiced, skeeter-alligator-infested, buck ague district—for this left-over portion of the earth after the Great Artificer made the rest of it—for this region, we say, to perk up its head and compare itself with the great Llano Estacado, the ozone-charged land of get-there and gold dollars, is the most prosperous comedy that has yet fallen to the notice of the west Texas editorial bunch. The Galveston-Dallas News calls on the Daily Panhandle man to gird up his loins, as this east Texas champion would knock the west with a hammer that looks like an engine of destruction." What often looks like an "engine of destruction" turns out to be a poggon and this is what the Beaumont editor is loaded with. We don't need to gird up our loins with a broadsword—all we need is a paddle. Snow is a favorite thing for the eastern Texas editors to harp on when they want to knock the Panhandle. In this they show lamentable ignorance of economic conditions and a source of much wealth. Snow in the Panhandle is one of the blessings we pride ourselves on, and when we fall to get a good portion of it we count ourselves that much loser. Yet in all the years of endeavor on the Panhandle we have not often had occasion to grumble on this score, because the snow comes in generous quantities and blankets thousands of acres of wheat, later to melt and with added rainfall give sustenance to this same wheat, which turns out many train loads of golden grain, which aids in feeding the north, the east, the west, the Orient and allows the eastern Texan to have biscuit for breakfast Sunday morning. We never heard of him having enough coin that he could eat them any other day. He generally takes up his time roasting 'taters in the ashes while old dog Tige rustles in the woods for his grub. The Panhandle is an empire of wealth, of health, of happiness. It is even such a wonderful land that it can in three years make a live man out of an eastern Texas dead one."—Amarillo Panhandle.

It is getting too caloric for State Press, who, armored only in ear muffs and last summer's sartorial investiture, feels timid about standing in the way of eastern and western-bound missiles. Excuse your uncle S. P. while he immunes himself in the storm cellar. Will the Abilene reporter kindly let us know

when the war is over and when it will be safe to emerge from our subterranean retirement?—Dallas News.

**Market Report.**

The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday: Steers \$3.15 to \$5.25. Cows \$2.10 to \$4.50. Calves \$2.65 to \$7.50. Hogs \$4.30 to \$6.12½.

**Notice.**

All parties owing the late firm of Smith & Thornton are requested to settle such indebtedness by Feb. 10th, either by cash or satisfactory note, or their accounts will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

Smith & Thornton

**A New Year's Greeting.**

After the smoke of the battle of 1908 has cleared away, we are impelled by a sense of gratitude, to thank our many friends and patrons who have contributed to make the year just passed the most prosperous of the twenty-four that we have spent in Clarendon. Our professional patronage has been very satisfactory indeed and our merchandise sales in the store have shown a fine increase over the year in the twenty-four.

Again we wish to express appreciation of your generous patronage and we will do our best to merit a continuance of same.

We heartily wish one and all great happiness and prosperity.

J. D. STOCKING, M. D. Physician & Druggist.

Bryan-Land Co. guarantee their shoes.

School shoes that wear at Rathjen's Shoe Store.

Lost—Small lady's gold watch. Suitable reward for its return to this office.

**Lost.**

Lady's gold watch and gold fob. Finder please return to this office and receive reward.

**BUSINESS LOCALS.**

Our school shoes are guaranteed. Rathjen's Shoe Store.

"Star brand shoes are better." Sold by Bryan-Land Co.

Bryan-Land Co. carry a full line of the best shoes, hats, etc.

Our fall stock of Dorothy Dodd shoes are on display. See them. Rathjen's Shoe Store.

All the latest designs in jewelry may be found at Fleming & Bromley's. Also have a nice line of beautiful diamonds.

Souvenir post cards, pretty views in colors, of every town of importance in Texas. I have them; 2 cents each, postpaid. Henry Law, Goodnight, Tex. 9 tf

**Notice.**

The College has a nice mare, a buggy, and surry, as good as new, for sale at a very reasonable figure.

There are one or two young men who desire to get places in private homes to work for their board who are excellent young men, and will have to leave school soon if they do not obtain such a position.

Any who desire to buy the above property, or assist these young men may phone number 67.

GEO. S. SLOVER.

**Posted.**

My premises are posted. Please keep out during my absence. I will return from Oklahoma by March 1.

HAPPY JOE. Box 4, Mangum, Ok.

**Desirable Cottages for Sale.**

Enquire at this office. Also cottage or two to rent.

**First-class Shop Work.**

I have bought the Dick Allen carpenter shop, and I invite all classes of carpenter and cabinet work, furniture repairing, etc. Window and door frames, mouldings, baseboards, mantles and scroll work put up in the best of shape and all work guaranteed.

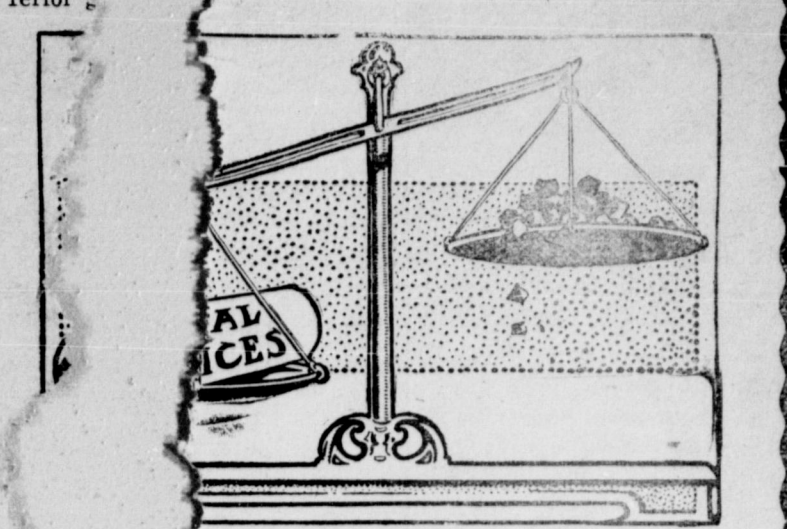
L. D. Clark, Mgr., Clarendon Planing Mill Co.

**Vacant U.S. Public Lands**

Where vacant government land is located, with brief descriptions by counties, and how to get it under homestead, desert, timber, coal, stone, oil, saline and other federal laws. Also information about state lands in Texas, with valuable tables and particulars about irrigation and reclamation work now in progress under the government. Sent to any address for 25 cents (stamps received) by THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE, Washington, D. C.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 11th.—The house of representatives has gotten back at the president and in mild language heaped coals of fire on his head for the strictures, immoderandos and insulting language of his annual message to congress and for what the house calls "the evasiveness and irresponsiveness of what they hoped would be an apology or at least an explanation. The fact is that the president in "purging himself of contempt" as the saying is, was if anything more contemptuous than in the original dose. There is talk apparently serious of impeachment proceedings and frequent reference to the impeachment of Andrew Johnson, the only precedent in American history. But the two cases are utterly without parallelism. Roosevelt is still the most popular man in the United States and probably more popular today on account of this very incident than he was 8 months ago when it took an iterated and reiterated announcement every morning before breakfast to prevent the country from nominating him by force for a third term. The president has not used the secret service mal-prepense for the detection of the ingoings and outcomings of senators and members of congress; but, as is well known, he has been after undesirable citizens whether they were railroad presidents, trust magnates or labor union boycotters and assassins. It was through the activity of one of the departments under him that the land frauds of Senator Mitchell of Oregon were discovered and that Mitchell was tried and condemned. The detective bureau received no instructions to shadow Tillman of South Carolina and he was not shadowed by government detectives of the detective bureau but certain information regarding his alleged speculation in Oregon land grants were brought to the attention of the president through government postoffice inspectors and at the request of Senator Hale of Maine. The information regarding Senator Tillman was sent direct to him. The president and Tillman have not for a long time been on speaking terms and the senator has improved every opportunity both in and out of the senate to denounce and characterize Roosevelt in language that was nearer billingsgate than parliamentary.

The artiparty, or I might say, enmity between the men has become historic. It began two or three years ago when after a first fight on the senate floor with Senator McLaughlin, the president failed to invite Senator Tillman to the White House reception to which all of the other senators and members were invited. Senator Tillman is a man of uncultivated ability, and he is well posted in national affairs, and especially in the affairs of the senate committees to which he is assigned. He is, however, rough, uncouth, and not precisely a representative of that legendary flower of chivalry, a southern gentleman. The present administration, as it is well known, has been after rascals, undesirable citizens, and whether they were railroad presidents, senators, or jail birds, it has been the effort to hunt them down. There was no reason why the administration should not make an effort to investigate the alleged relations of Tillman, or any other senator. Of course he has denied any connection with the Oregon land frauds. Senator Mitchell, also, denied on the floor of the senate with tears and with vociferous assertions of innocence. Senator Mitchell was condemned.

When the Frost Tingles. They change the tenor of their ways, Now weary of the swinging gate; They greet with joy the cooler days And cuddle by the parlor grate.

Thirty 'possums have been received from Judge Park of Worth county, Ga., for the Taft banquet at Atlanta last night. Besides sending thirty 'possums Judge Park also sent three cooks to assist in the preparation of the 'possums.

FACTS IN FEW LINES

Government control of the sale of medicines is contemplated in Japan. German inventors have succeeded in producing a tar for gas from bituminous coal. Though the industry in its infancy, the mines employ a device which is used to produce wonderful results in crops. The town of Japan is believed to have the biggest population in the east, with a million. The city of Duluth is a city of about 280,000. New York city has an Irish population of 820,000.

There is evidence of a New York city for every legitimate investment. \$1.35 going into the stock market for each dollar taken out. To cure its office firm at Beloit, Wis., push cart it uses for registering the trips and the speed. A New York man in a Chicago hotel is considering considerable difficulty persuading the clerk to real name.

Fred L. Hayes of Ohio possesses some interesting items. Among them a 1715, a will made in 1772, and a tax bill for 1772. The total number of corded in the United States in 1887 was 12,832,044. The total number of votes reported for these was 945,625.

The value of inoculation by mad dogs was shown in the fact that of 296 bitten persons treated at the Pasteur in Berlin and Breslau only two died while of six who were not inoculated two also died.

An Iowa man named Owens has written a letter in which he endeavors to prove by eight passages in the Bible that "the central climatic point of the grape species east of the Rocky mountains" is in Callahan county, Tex.

In order to prevent elder children being kept at home "to look after baby" the London county council is making the experiment of appointing "baby minders," who will take care of the babies in the school buildings during school hours.

The Merchants and Manufacturers' association of Baltimore is looking into a project to build a great bridge across Chesapeake bay to connect directly the city and the eastern shore section of the state. The association has appropriated funds for a survey.

One of the most destructive as well as one of the most offensive pests that afflict the planters of India is the red cotton bug. The insect has been reported as a cotton pest from every part of the country. Its presence is detected by the offensive odor.

Hitherto the population of Japanese towns of the empire as a whole has been estimated from the official records of births and deaths and other documents, but it has now been arranged to make a municipal house to house investigation, commencing at Kobe.

Since the construction of the great Transiberian railroad and the extension of other means of communication the commercial importance of the great annual Russian fair at Nizhni Novgorod has been injured, while the progress of Moscow has been accelerated.

Jim Fagan, a hackman of Concord, N. H., is a close friend of the sheriffs and abandons other business to serve them; hence he probably has the not wholly enviable record of having had more great criminals as passengers than any other hackman in America.

The oldest house in Dennis, Mass., if not the oldest on Cape Cod, is that of F. G. Hall. William Howes of Florida states that he possesses the 1706 almanac in which Prince Howes 3d kept his diary and that in it there is an account for the carpentering work on the house in 1713.

The street cleaning commissioner of Baltimore has opened an "old horse farm," and now five mules are recuperating from their hard experiences. By this system of rest and recuperation the commissioner believes that the usefulness of the horses and mules of his department will be greatly lengthened.

In Philadelphia's public school gymnasiums instruction is being given pupils, especially girls, on how to alight properly from street cars. The course is approved by the street railway managers, who believe that it will not only prevent accidents, especially among the female passengers, but will assist materially in increasing the speed of the cars through the crowded sections.

On Dec. 3 last the state of Illinois was ninety years old. Already Chicago newspapers are talking of a big centennial celebration in 1918. On Dec. 3, 1818, as school children may learn from their history books, Illinois was admitted into the Union as a state. Two years later the census gave her population as 55,211. Chicago, chiefest among her daughters, was born in 1837.

The health and school authorities of Cleveland are discussing plans to prevent schoolteachers with tuberculosis or other communicable diseases endangering the lives of their pupils. The health officer of the city suggests that yearly health certificates be required of all teachers. He declares that a law is needed to give health authorities the power to bring about the dismissal of teachers afflicted with tuberculosis.

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Everlasting Monuments. In an article on "Everlasting Monuments to Scientists" Leopold Ehrlich says in a Berlin paper: "The stones finally crumble, and the bronzes may be destroyed. Younger generations have their heroes and forget the names of those who have gone before. But making the name of a scientist a part of the universal scientific language is an indestructible monument. The men who gave the name of ohm in honor of George Simon Ohm to the unit of electric resistance; ampere, and volt, in honor of Alessandro Volta, to the unit of electro motive force, handed these names to the people of all times to follow. The cablegram should have been named for Field, and the incandescent lamp would burn just as well if it were known as an 'edison.' The suggestion that the kilowatt hour should be called a 'kelvin,' for the scientist who preferred to be called Thompson, should be carried out, and thus another worthy name would be made imperishable."

Getting His Name Signed. There were three or four score of invitations to be sent out, and Henry A. Taylor, as member of the committee of the Builders' Exchange, had to get his signature to them all. He got the first one, blotted it, then got the stack of invitations in his hand and signed.

He said pleadingly to Chesapeake, assistant secretary of the Builders' Exchange, "You just forge my name to these, and I'll buy the clock." Chesapeake, who is the most accommodating man in all the territory drained by the bayaha river, got out a sheet of paper and practiced on the Taylor in ten minutes. Then he signed the invitations in a jiffy.

Taylor looked them over when he happened around. "By the way," he inquired, "which is the one that I actually signed?"

Neither he nor Harris could figure it out. Harris forgeries were that good. "Young man," said Taylor gravely, "you have missed your calling. I'm mighty glad you've got such an honest face."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

A Clock Savings Bank. One of the recent novelties patented is a combined clock and savings bank, designed by a Chicago man. Why a savings bank and a clock should be combined will not at once be apparent. The idea would seem ridiculous, as these two articles have no apparent relationship. The purpose of the inventor has merely been to increase the usefulness of the savings bank and assure that it will be constantly employed. He accomplishes this by requiring the deposit of a coin in the bank before the clock can be wound. Unless the coin is deposited the clock becomes useless. The amount of the coin deposited is controlled by the size of the slot in the savings bank. The number of deposits can also be increased by requiring a daily winding of the clock.

Keyhole Plays a Cornet. "Maybe you don't believe a keyhole can play a cornet," said a West Philadelphia man the other day, "but it can if you get the right kind of keyhole."

"The other night I was going home on the elevated, and it was blowing a right brisk westerly wind. The wind whistled through the keyhole of the front car, headed straight against the wind. At the front door stood a young man with a cornet in his hand. He listened to the whistle for awhile, and then he got the idea of putting his cornet against the keyhole. Sure enough, the keyhole blew the cornet in low, doleful tones. The young fellow moved his fingers and practiced for awhile, and before we reached the Sixth street station the keyhole was playing 'Home, Sweet Home,' as fine as you like."—Philadelphia Press.

A Ride in an Automobile. The editor of the Bronson (Minn.) Budget writes: "We took a spin with Johnson the other day aboard his automobile. It is a powerful beast with four pairs of battle lanterns and a turtle shaped deck, a voice like a wild gander and darts along the road with a sound of an approaching downpour. There is the strength of twenty-five horses in the engines, and a ride on one of its cushions does not remind us of anything, for we never had one like it before. Its brazen entrails give out a vicious hiss as if ready to burst with power. It gives the feeling that man has gone beyond his rights and created a brazen monster to annihilate time and distance."

Praise For a Portly Poet. A Topeka man recently wrote to Walt Mason, the portly poet of the Emporia Gazette, and addressed the letter to Walt Whitman. The Emporia bard feels aggrieved at this and says in his reply: "The Gazette's untamed bard has many faults, but his poetry is at least sawed into proper lengths and a few words rhyme here and there, and a man can understand what the author is driving at without having to take his verses apart with a screwdriver."—Kansas City Star.

Chokers and Choking. "I hate the way I have to dress," said the woman. "I put on high heeled shoes that choke the life out of me, a collar that comes up to my ears and chokes me, a straight front corset that chokes me worse than the shoes and the collar. Then I go out and feel like choking everybody I meet on the street."—New York Press.

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The Subaltern's Retort. When Sir Ian Hamilton was in South Africa acting as chief of staff to Lord Kitchener he had occasion to visit rather a large depot of which a young officer was in command. Going through certain papers, General Hamilton found that these were not quite in order and at last said rather wearily to the officer: "You know this sort of thing will not do at all. What do you suppose your brains were given you for?" "I am sure I do not know, general," was the cheerful reply. "Since I came here I have worked sixteen hours a day and more. I have acted as mule teamster, porter, van guard, supply clerk, station master, orderly, room clerk, typist and a dozen other things. I think if I had not been endowed with brains I might have managed to take on two or three more jobs as well, but as it is I must admit I am somewhat handicapped."

Sir Ian Hamilton was forced to laugh, and shortly after the young officer found himself attached to the general's personal staff.—London Tit-Bits.

Psychic Phenomena. The Chinese believe that the p'o is "equivalent to the supraliminal self, the visible personality interpenetrating and indissolubly attached to the body, the hun being the subliminal or invisible self, also interpenetrating the body, but not indissolubly attached to it."

For instance, "the hun of a girl eloped with a lover, leaving the physical body informed by the p'o only, and there she lay in bed, a semiconscious invalid, for several years, until the return of a runaway pair, who had been duly married and were bringing home a couple of children. While the astonished parents were wondering what to make of it all, the girl in the bed got up and went out to meet herself. The two fell into each other's arms, and there and then, in the presence of spectators, they coalesced and became one—one ordinary woman, dressed, however, in two complete suits of clothes."—Theosophical Review.

Weighing Touch. A remarkable instrument is that used for the purpose of measuring the sense of touch. This device consists of a series of little disks, each three millimeters in diameter, suspended by fine, delicate thread from wooden handles, the last being stuck into holes round a block. The lightest disk is taken out and brought into contact with the skin of the subject, he having his eyes closed. If nothing is felt a heavier disk is employed, and so on until the pressure becomes noticeable. The disks weigh from one to twenty milligrams, and with their aid it has been proved that the sense of touch in the average person is conveyed by two milligrams on the forehead, temple and back of the forearm, five for the nose and the chin and fifteen for the inner surface of the fingers.—New York Tribune.

The Assassins. The Assassins were a religious and military order who came into existence during the eleventh century in Persia and who devoted themselves to the destruction after stealthy approach of all who opposed the Moslem faith in any way. The crusaders met with a branch of these desperate zealots in Syria, and many of the warriors of the cross were slain relentlessly and with mysterious suddenness in consequence. The Tartars exterminated the Persian Assassins in 1256, and fourteen years later the Syrian band of murderers was wiped out by an Egyptian ruler. But the name they bore remains as a designation of dread.

No Time to Full Name. Some of the new members of congress were getting acquainted with Washington society at the president's diplomatic reception. Representative Edwards of Georgia was introduced to Mr. Jonkheer Reinhardt de Marees van Swinderen. Representative Willets of New York came up and Mr. Edwards wanted to introduce him. "Would you mind giving me your name, sir? I could not hear it distinctly in this noise," said he to the minister from the Netherlands. "Jonkheer Reinhardt de—" Both Mr. Edwards and Mr. Willets were listening intently, but as it was a fast moving reception they did not get any more, nor did they see the minister any more.

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