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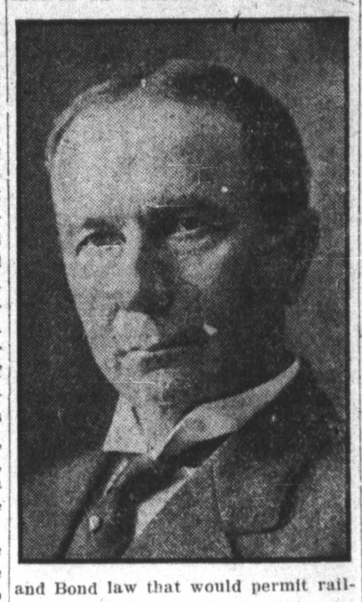
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The music was written by Edward Marzo; but staged and conducted by Miss Stoneroad with Miss Lela Whipkey as pianist.

This entertainment will be at the opera house and as usual there will be standing room only. A small admission fee will be charged to help defray the expenses, and we are sure those who attend will be more than pleased.

With this recital Miss Stoneroad will close her school for the summer, but will teach a class again next year, commencing in the fall.

Miss Lela Whipkey, one of Miss Stoneroad's most successful pupils, and who conducted the music department of the Roby High School the past term, will take a few pupils for the summer months, commencing June 1.

COMMITTEE FAVORS SINGLE TERM BILL

Senators Will Report Favorably on Limiting the President's Tenure of Office.

Washington, May 13.—The Senate Judiciary Committee today decided to report favorably the Works resolution restricting the presidential tenure of office to a single term of six years. A minority report favoring a single term of four years also will be made from the committee. The reports are expected in a day or two.

There was no formal adoption of the measure, as its phraseology has not been worked out, but this will be undertaken immediately by a subcommittee.

It may be finally acted upon at a special meeting of the Judiciary Committee this week. In any event, it is expected to be reported next Monday. The committee is practically unanimous to make a President ineligible for a second term, but four members of the committee favor making the single term four years instead of six.

The House Judiciary Committee has pending a joint resolution of the same purport introduced by Representative Clayton. If Congress adopts the change, an amendment to the Constitution will have to be ratified by three-fourths of the states.

Decatur.—A new cotton gin is in course of construction making the third industry of this nature for Decatur.

The First National Bank of Killeen has increased its capital stock from $65,000 to $100,000.

RAILROADS APPEAL RATE CASE TO COMMERCE COURT

T. & P. and H. & T. C. Declare That Ordered Rates out of Shreveport to Texas Points Would Mean Confiscation.

On the ground of practical confiscation of property, an injunction restraining the interstate commerce commission from putting into effect June 1, its order in the so-called Shreveport case was asked of the commerce court.

Applications were docketed in two cases, one filed by the Houston, East & West Texas Railway company and the Houston & Shreveport Railway company and the other by the Texas & Pacific Railway company.

In both applications it is alleged that the interstate commerce commission's order requiring the railroads operating westwardly into Texas from Shreveport, La., to charge the same rates as contemporaneously are in effect from Texas territory to Shreveport is in violation of the constitution and that the interstate commerce commission has no jurisdiction over rates entirely within one state.

The commission's order, issued by a majority of the body, requires that the railroads shall put into effect by June 1, rates on traffic west bound from Shreveport identical with the rates prescribed by the Texas points to Shreveport. The railroads urge in their application for injunction that it would cost them $500,000 a year to meet the requirements of the order and that would amount to confiscation.

The increase will mean a great deal heavier expense to the shippers of Western Texas. On heavy groceries, for example, the freight will be increased from $5 to $20 per car load. A car load of sugar or canned goods will cost the merchant $15 to $20 more under the new tariff than under the old and will contribute its pro rata part to the increased cost of living as viewed through the eye of the consumer. If the change be permitted to stand it will throw something of a damper upon the fair prospects of the west for the current year.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS ENDORSE CANDIDACY OF JUDGE FORD.

We, the undersigned Confederate Veterans, being personally acquainted with the Honorable Jno. J. Ford, having come in personal contact with him and being familiar wtih his sterling qualities as a citizen, his efficiency, honesty, integrity, and faithfulness as an officer, his never failing interest shown in the Veterans; the many kind favors and services rendered us while serving as county judge, have made a deep and lasting impression on our hearts, and believing he is especially well qualified for the position moves us, most enthusiastically to endorse his candidacy for Representative of the 121st District.

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Improve Fire Department.

Abilene, Texas.—The citizens of this city have voted to expend $16,000 for fire department equipment, and $7,000 for the erection of a crematory.

The Pitchfork Land and Cattle Co., of St. Louis has been granted a permit to do business in Texas, principal offices on ranch in Dickens county; capital stock $300,000.

Fort Worth.—The James-Mickle-Schow Company has increased its capital stock from $400,000 to $555,000.

PASS DIRECT ELECTION BILL

BY DECISIVE VOTE ADOPTS PLAN FOR CHOICE OF UNITED STATES SENATOR.

OPPOSED BY SOUTHERNERS

Fear Federal Interference Might Extend to State Laws Disfranchising Illiterate Negroes.

Washington, May 13.—Success has at last crowned the long fight to induce both houses of Congress to unite in submitting to the states a constitutional amendment providing for the election of United States Senators by popular vote.

Passes by 237 to 39.

The long delayed victory came in the House today when that body by the decisive vote of 237 to 39 receded from its disagreement with the Senate over the Bristow amendment to the direct elections resolution and accepted the Senate proviso giving Congress the right to regulate by appropriate legislation, if it so desires, the election of Senators under the proposed new system of direct popular voting.

The resolution now goes to the president for his signature, and there is no doubt that the president will acquiesce.

Several times in previous Congresses a resolution similar to that on which both houses have now agreed has been passed by the House. But invariably until this Congress the Senate has refused to adopt the resolution. It was in the special session of last year that the Senate took affirmative action and since that time the resolution has been hung up in conference in consequence of the action of the Senate in adding the Bristow amendment providing for Federal supervision of popular Senatorial elections.

Southerners Oppose It.

Southern Democrats generally objected to this provision of the proposed constitutional change through fear that in some way the Federal interference might extend to their laws disfranchising illiterate negroes. But the Senate would not yield the point and thus, in order to save the revolution from failure, the House had to yield and accept the proposed Federal regulation of Senatorial elections. But a handful of Southern members refused to yield to the last and they made up the thirty-nine negative votes that were cast on the final roll call this afternoon.

Proceedings of City Council.

The city council of the city of Colorado, Texas, met in regular session Tuesday night, May 14th, 1912, with the following present: F. M. Burns, mayor pro tem; W. H. Moeser, W. B. Crockett and O. E. Avery.

Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. The bond of D. M. Stell was approved and filed.

Recorder W. H. Smith was present with his docket and was requested to have it all posted up according to law and present it to the next meeting of the council.

The secretary reported not having bought J. T. Sluder's book and Judge Crockett agreed to examine it before making the purchase.

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The council ordered the delinquent tax list of 1911 published according to law. The following bills were allowed:

C. H. Lasky, $1.00; W. M. Cooper, $2.00; Whipkey Printing Co., $8.50; G. B. Harness, $21.35; J. S. Vaughan, $16.70.

Warrants issued since last meeting to L. E. Ayers for street hands and those issued to street hands on the order of D. M. Stell, were read by the secretary and their payment approved by the council.

Wants to Serve Father's Term.

Austin, Texas.—Gov. Colquitt received a letter from Charles E. Knox, of Los Angeles, asking if he may serve the two years' sentence imposed on his aged father, J. D. Knox, of Palo Pinto county, for alleged misapplication of funds.

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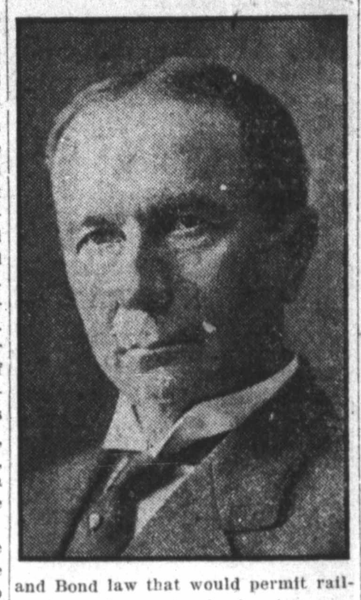
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The music was written by Edward Marzo; but staged and conducted by Miss Stoneroad with Miss Lela Whipkey as pianist.

This entertainment will be at the opera house and as usual there will be standing room only. A small admission fee will be charged to help defray the expenses, and we are sure those who attend will be more than pleased.

With this recital Miss Stoneroad will close her school for the summer, but will teach a class again next year, commencing in the fall.

Miss Lela Whipkey, one of Miss Stoneroad's most successful pupils, and who conducted the music department of the Roby High School the past term, will take a few pupils for the summer months, commencing June 1.

COMMITTEE FAVORS SINGLE TERM BILL

Senators Will Report Favorably on Limiting the President's Tenure of Office.

Washington, May 13.—The Senate Judfciary Committee today decided to report favorably the Works resolution restricting the presidential tenure of office to a single term of six years. A minority report favoring a single term of four years also will be made from the committee. The reports are expected in a day or two.

There was no formal adoption of the measure, as its phraseology has not been worked out, but this will be undertaken immediately by a subcommittee.

It may be finally acted upon at a special meeting of the Judiciary Committee this week. In any event, it is expected to be reported next Monday. The committee is practically unanimous to make a President ineligible for a second term, but four members of the committee favor making the single term four years instead of six.

The House Judiciary Committee has pending a joint resolution of the same purport introduced by Representative Clayton. If Congress adopts the change, an amendment to the Constitution will have to be ratified by three-fourths of the states.

Decatur.—A new cotton gin is in course of construction making the third industry of this nature for Decatur.

The First National Bank of Killeen has increased its capital stock from $65,000 to $100,000.

RAILROADS APPEAL RATE CASE TO COMMERCE COURT

T. & P. and H. & T. C. Declare That Ordered Rates out of Shreveport to Texas Points Would Mean Confiscation.

On the ground of practical confiscation of property, an injunction restraining the interstate commerce commission from putting into effect June 1, its order in the so-called Shreveport case was asked of the commerce court.

Applications were docketed in two cases, one filed by the Houston, East & West Texas Railway company and the Houston & Shreveport Railway company and the other by the Texas & Pacific Railway company.

In both applications it is alleged that the interstate commerce commission's order requiring the railroads operating westwardly into Texas from Shreveport, La., to charge the same rates as contemporaneously are in effect from Texas territory to Shreveport is in violation of the constitution and that the interstate commerce commission has no jurisdiction over rates entirely within one state.

The commission's order, issued by a majority of the body, requires that the railroads shall put into effect by June 1, rates on traffic west bound from Shreveport identical with the rates prescribed by the Texas points to Shreveport. The railroads urge in their application for injunction that it would cost them $500,000 a year to meet the requirements of the order and that would amount to confiscation.

The increase will mean a great deal heavier expense to the shippers of Western Texas. On heavy groceries, for example, the freight will be increased from $5 to $20 per car load. A car load of sugar or canned goods will cost the merchant $15 to $20 more under the new tariff than under the old and will contribute its pro rata part to the increased cost of living as viewed through the eye of the consumer. If the change be permitted to stand it will throw something of a damper upon the fair prospects of the west for the current year.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS ENDORSE CANDIDACY OF JUDGE FORD.

We, the undersigned Confederate Veterans, being personally acquainted with the Honorable Jno. J. Ford, having come in personal contact with him and being familiar with his sterling qualities as a citizen, his efficiency, honesty, integrity, and faithfulness as an officer, his never failing interest shown in the Veterans; the many kind favors and services rendered us while serving as county judge, have made a deep and lasting impression on our hearts, and believing he is especially well qualified for the position moves us, most enthusiastically to endorse his candidacy for Representative of the 121st District.

W. T. HIGHTOWER,
G. R. WEST,
H. C. MAUZEY,
J. W. COBB,
B. H. RAWLINS,
A. A. PRINCE,
C. C. RAMBO,
D. P. SAYLE,
ASA JOHNSON,
P. T. GROGAN,
O. D. BEALL,
J. B. HARRINGTON,
J. F. DAVIS,
THOS. VINSON,
G. W. BRASWELL,
D. R. MYRES.
B. F. ARCHER,
D. McDONNELL,
JNO. R. LEWIS,
Z. L. MYRES,
L. MIMS,
J. H. FOWLER.

—Adv.

Improve Fire Department.

Abilene, Texas.—The citizens of this city have voted to expend $10,000 for fire department equipment, and $7,000 for the erection of a crematory.

The Pitchfork Land and Cattle Co., of St. Louis has been granted a permit to do business in Texas, principal offices on ranch in Dickens county; capital stock $300,000.

Fort Worth.—The James-Mickle-Schow Company has increased its capital stock from $400,000 to $555,000.

PASS DIRECT ELECTION BILL

BY DECISIVE VOTE ADOPTS PLAN FOR CHOICE OF UNITED STATES SENATOR.

OPPOSED BY SOUTHERNERS

Fear Federal Interference Might Extend to State Laws Disfranchising Illiterate Negroes.

Washington, May 13.—Success has at last crowned the long fight to induce both houses of Congress to unite in submitting to the states a constitutional amendment providing for the election of United States Senators by popular vote.

Passes by 237 to 39.

The long delayed victory came in the House today when that body by the decisive vote of 237 to 39 receded from its disagreement with the Senate over the Bristow amendment to the direct elections resolution and accepted the Senate proviso giving Congress the right to regulate by appropriate legislation, if it so desires, the election of Senators under the proposed new system of direct popular voting.

The resolution now goes to the president for his signature, and there is no doubt that the president will acquiesce.

Several times in previous Congresses a resolution similar to that on which both houses have now agreed has been passed by the House. But invariably until this Congress the Senate has refused to adopt the resolution. It was in the special session of last year that the Senate took affirmative action and since that time the resolution has been hung up in conference in consequence of the action of the Senate in adding the Bristow amendment providing for Federal supervision of popular Senatorial elections.

Southerners Oppose It.

Southern Democrats generally objected to this provision of the proposed constitutional change through fear that in some way the Federal interference might extend to their laws disfranchising illiterate negroes. But the Senate would not yield the point and thus, in order to save the revolution from failure, the House had to yield and accept the proposed Federal regulation of Senatorial elections. But a handful of Southern members refused to yield to the last and they made up the thirty-nine negative votes that were cast on the final roll call this afternoon.

Proceedings of City Council.

The city council of the city of Colorado, Texas, met in regular session Tuesday night, May 14th, 1912, with the following present: F. M. Burns, mayor pro tem; W. H. Moeser, W. B. Crockett and O. E. Avery.

Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. The bond of D. M. Stell was approved and filed.

Recorder W. H. Smith was present with his docket and was requested to have it all posted up according to law and present it to the next meeting of the council.

The secretary reported not having bought J. T. Sluder's book and Judge Crockett agreed to examine it before making the purchase.

Dr. T. C. Merrill called attention to the laundry sewer and the public school privy as being a nuisance, and the city marshal was instructed to have same remedied as soon as possible.

The council ordered the delinquent tax list of 1911 published according to law. The following bills were allowed:

C. H. Lasky, $1.00; W. M. Cooper, $2.00; Whipkey Printing Co., $8.50; G. B. Harness, $21.35; J. S. Vaughan, $16.70.

Warrants issued since last meeting to L. E. Ayers for street hands and those issued to street hands on the order of D. M. Stell were read by the secretary and their payment approved by the council.

Wants to Serve Father's Term.

Austin, Texas.—Gov. Colquitt received a letter from Charles E. Knox, of Los Angeles, asking if he may serve the two years' sentence imposed on his aged father, J. D. Knox, of Palo Pinto county, for alleged misapplication of funds.

COUNTY SINGING CONVENTION CONSTITUTION AND BY LAWS

As Adopted On May 4th, A. D. 1912, In Convention at Colorado Texas.

We, your committee on Constitution and By Laws, beg leave to report as follows:

First; This convention shall be known as Mitchell County Singing Convention and shall be composed of a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, assistant secretary, chaplain and delegates from the different classes in the county.

Section 1: Three classes shall constitute a quorum.

Section 2: All classes shall be admitted by showing their credentials.

Section 3: Each class shall be entitled to one delegate for each ten members, or major fraction thereof.

Section 4: It shall be the duty of the president to preside over all meetings, and cast the deciding vote. The vice-president shall assume the duties of the president in his absence.

Section 5: The Secretary shall keep a record of all proceedings, take charge of all money, and pay out same by order of the Convention. The assistant secretary shall assume the duties of secretary in his absence.

Section 6: This Convention shall be opened and closed with prayer by the chaplain.

Section 7: It's object shall be to co-operate with all the singing classes for the benefit of harmonizing our interests as a Christian band of workers to sing and praise God with Gospel and song.

Section 8: The secretary of each class shall notify the county secretary at Colorado, thirty days before the Convention, the number of delegates they are sending.

Section 9: The place of meeting shall be at Colorado, and the time of meeting shall be Saturday before the first Sunday in May of each year.

Section 10: All business must be transacted on that day.

Section 11: The officers of this convention shall live in Colorado or as nearto as possible, they shall hold office one year. The election shall be held on Saturday before the first Sunday in May each year.

Section 12: All delegates, leaders and secretaries shall be entitled to vote.

This constitution may be amended by a two-third vote.

H. W. ROWLAND,
C. E. JENKINS,
W. E. BERRY,
JAMES BENNETT,
J. Q. WILLIAMS,
Committee.

Any class in the county is entitled to and will receive a copy of the above Constitution and By Laws by applying to the county secretary whose name appears below, upon his receipt for registration, the names of the president and secretary of such organized class. The classes that were represented in the last convention will be furnished same without further application.

Respectfully,
W. L. DOSS, President
EARL JACKSON, Sec'y-Treas.

Slap at the Saloons.

Is Joe about to say farewell to Sir Clarence and Uncle Reinzi and Brother Jake and Cousin Sheb?

To his friends at Gainesville the junior Senator thus spoke the other day:

"I am going to tell my prohibition friends I believe with you that this town is better off without whiskey. I am one of the men that believe that whiskey is an economic waste, because whiskey never added to the industry or the intelligence of any man in the world. You spend your money for whiskey and it does you harm rather than good, and consequently I believe it is an injury so far as I know. I know I am the first man in the discussion of the prohibition question that ever challenged that it was a commercial incubus, and I made that statement twenty-seven years ago in answer to a speech which Roger Q. Mills had made in Sherman, that the prohibition of the sale of whiskey could hurt the commercial prosperity of the community."

Evidently "incubus" in the above is not the word the Senator used; "asset" or some similar word more nearly fits the statement. But this in passing.

It looks like a slide away from Brother Jake. If so, does it portend the Senator's entry into the Senatorial race?

Will Brother Cullen Thomas be the one to welcome the brother back to the fold?—Waco Times.

A charter has been granted the Texas Electric Company with headquarters at Dallas; capital stock $100,000. The company proposes to build an electric line from Austin to Palestine via Dallas. Work will commence in the fall.

ABILENE NORMAL

—AND—

Simmons College Summer School

Covers both series of examinations, June 10-Aug. 1.
Faculty of six College graduates, and Primary teacher.
College credit for courses completed.
College equipment and surroundings.
Board $15.00 a month.
Tuition, Normal Course, $7.50, one series, $10.00 both.
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It Has Rained

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THE BEST LINE OF PLANTERS AND CULTIVATORS ever brought to this county and are selling them at most attractive prices. Thorough cultivation is a most potent factor in making a crop. Come let us figure with you on one of these cultivators.

You May Need a Planter

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LEDBETTER Planter for.....$29.00
SWEET WILLIAM Planter for.....$29.00
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COLORADO MERCANTILE COMPANY

SOMETHING DOING BY COMMERCIAL CLUB

ROSWELL BANKERS AND MERCHANTS TO ARRIVE FRIDAY—WILL BE ENTERTAINED.

A First Monday Trades Day to Be Inaugurated in Colorado—Another Railroad Rumor.

The secretary of the Commercial Club reports that a delegation of Roswell bankers, merchants and professional men, will be here on Friday, looking over roads, etc., on their way to Dallas, to the Ad Men's Convention held there next week. The Commercial Club here will entertain them at a dinner in the St. James, and do all they can to make their stay of a couple of hours pleasant.

The Commercial Club is also getting up a special First Monday to induce the farmers to come to town and see us. It is planned, that the first Monday in each month shall be a special day, with something doing by way of entertainment. On the first Monday in June there will be six well greased pigs turned loose on the streets, and any one catching a pig may have it, and they can take it home and feed it six months, then bring the six pigs back to town, weigh them, sell them, keep the money and the man who has the fattest pig gets $10.00 as a prize.

The secretary also reports that the Robert Lee people want to take up the matter of the railroad to that place again, and have people who want to build it. The matter is not ripe enough to speak of yet, but those who subscribed before will no doubt be given an opportunity to do so again. We need the road.

DISTRICT COURT OF MITCHELL COUNTY

May Term of 32nd Judicial District of Texas Convenes at Colorado May 20, 1912.

Civil Jury Docket.

1245—Scoggin & Brown vs. T. & P. Ry. Co. et al. Set for Tuesday morning, May 21.
1345—R. H. Looney et al vs. G. B. Coughran et al. May 21.
1346—J. E. Hooper et al. vs. G. B. Coughran et al. May 21.
1209—Mary Lewis vs. W. K. Lewis. May 24.
1315—L. L. Chaplin vs. Colorado Salt Co. May 24.
1337—O. G. Kershner vs. Colorado Salt Co. May 24.
1348—Mrs. Emma Kelly vs. S. W. Altman et al. May 24.

Civil Non-Jury Docket.

1252—L. E. Lasseter vs. J. G. Tackett. Monday, May 27.
1212—H. Ceasar vs. William Cheek, et al. May 27.
1257—Madilene Lesar vs. S. E. Carter et al. May 27.
1215—H. E. Philipp vs. J. A. Alderson et al. May 27.
1282—Ella Simon vs. Sig Simon. May 27.
1288—F. G. Thurmond vs. T. J. Coggin. May 27.
1294—J. R. Dublin vs. D. N. Arnett, Jr., et al. May 28.
1310—Charles J. Canda et al. vs. W. L. Edmundson et al. May 29.
1325—Lee Kidd vs. W. M. Ward. May 29.
1336—Casey Hedges Co. vs. Colorado Salt Co. May 29.
1327—Jesse H. Bullock vs. William Aldridge et al. May 30.
1331—Arthur Kelly vs. Eva Kelly. May 30.
1347—W. D. McAdams vs. T. D. Lee. May 30.
1349—J. C. Prude vs. J. A. Copeland. May 30.
1350—T. J. Coffee vs. J. A. Avant et al. May 30.
1352—W. A. Cocreham vs. William Neild and unknown heirs of Wm. Neild et al. May 30.
1353—M. J. Culp vs. J. Hudgins. May 31.
1355—C. A. O'Keefe vs. A. R. Foster, and J. L. Foster, May 31.
1356—N. L. Smith vs Beatrice Smith.
1358—M. J. Hudgins vs. Stella Hudgins. May 31.
1360—F. G. Thurmond vs. J. A. Glover, May 31.

Criminal Docket.

1709—State of Texas vs. G. S. True. Set for Monday, June 3, 1912.
1710—State of Texas vs. John Leatherwood. June 3.
1711—State of Texas vs. John Leatherwood. June 3.
1712—State of Texas vs. A. H. Payne. June 3.
1706—State of Texas vs. Guy McGee. June 3.
1707—State of Texas vs. Q. W. Thompson. June 10.
1719—State of Texas vs. E. M. Markwith. June 12.
1717—State v. John Guitar, Jr. and R. G. Anderson, June 12.

MORE NEW ARRIVALS THIS WEEK

We are constantly receiving the New Things in all departments

New Laces of many kinds, new Neckwear, Belts, Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Pearl and Crochet Buttons, and many other items too numerous to mention

LACES

All the new wide bands in Macrome in white and ecrue.

The new Ratine bands.

New Val. Laces in extra special values at 5c and 10c.

New Torchons in bands and edges, 5c.

New Cluney Laces in wide patterns, 25c.

Men's new Neckwear, 15c to 50c.

Arrow Collars, 2 for 25c.

New Suspenders, New Belts.

New Ratine Cloth

—in white—the very popular material for this season's costumes, 36 inces wide, only $1.00.

New Colored Linens, special values, 20c to 35c.

Bappa Cloth, a new white material for skirts and fancy drawn work, 15c.

New Hose

New Interwoven ½ Hose for men—the longest wearing socks on the market—prices 25c, 35c and 50c.

Batiste, Extra Special

75 pieces figured, striped and checked Batiste, extra special values, at 10c and 15c.

New Curtain Nett

New Curtain Nett in ecrue, new patterns, good values, 20c to 50c.

LADIES' NEW SKIRTS.

Men's Shirts

Manhattan Shirts, $1.50 to $2.00.

Ferguson McKenney Shirts, 75c, $1.00, $1.25 and $1.50—the best medium price shirt you can find.

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Conveys a healing and strengthening influence to the diseased organs. Restores activity in the stomach, liver and bowels. Drives out unhealthy conditions and builds up anew the body that has been weakened by disease.

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The time is past when the man who is good for nothing else can make a real success on the farm. The farmer of today must be a man of brains who is not alone capable of producing the maximum crop, but who also has the business ability to dispose of his products to the very best advantage to obtain the maximum return.

The system which allows the purchaser to set the price of farm products is wrong. There are few lines in which the purchaser sets the price to be paid and the time will come when the farmer will set the price and not the purchaser.

For many years agricultural schools and experimental stations maintained by state and national authorization have been striving to "make two blades grow where only one grew before," and much good has been accomplished.

However, neither the national nor state government can teach each individual farmer how best to dispose of the products of his labor.

In making the two blades grow the good work has only been started. Your state and national institutions have accomplished wonders and will continue to accomplish still greater things, but are you keeping pace with the developments and advantages offered you?

Have you given the matter of marketing your produce the same careful thought that you have to making it grow? If not, you are doing yourself as well as your neighbor an injury.

The question naturally arises, can you alone accomplish results? Perhaps you can help some, but would not results come more quickly of co-operation with your neighbors.

By this co-operation would you not be benefitting the entire community in which you live and therefore make it a more desirable place in which to live?

It is not alone your individual profit which should be guarded, but your neighbor's as well. You reap a benefit from his profit as well as from your own. We must not be selfish about our own gain if we would prosper.—Co-Operative Farmer.

Tomlinson's Letter.

Simons Liver Purifier is the most valuable remedy I ever tried for constipation and disordered liver. It does its work thoroughly, but does not gripe like most remedies of its character. I certainly recommend it whenever the opportunity occurs.

M. M. TOMLINSON,

Price 25 cents. Oswego, Kansas.

The cattle business in West Texas has not been as good in many years as now. The grass on the pastures is fine and cattle taken directly from the pasture to market bring top prices.

Make it a point to swat at least two flies a day.

KENTUCKY SADDLE HORSE

Rex Pennington

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First Prize Winner at Horse Show in Colorado

This thoroughbred stallion is bay, 16½ hands high, and weighs 1320 pounds.

I also have the well known Jack,

RICHARDSON

Both will make the season in Loraine at old Livery Stable. Terms—$10.00 to insure foal.

F. Johnigan,
Loraine, Texas

Why the Elephant is Led.

At any circus parade, a small, thin legged man can be seen leading a powerful elephant and forcing that mighty animal to turn in any direction by applying a small iron hook, when one swing of that elephant's trunk would hurl that thin-legged man through the air in a jiffy. But why is it the elephant does not resent being led, but minds his weasley little guide so implicitly? It is merely because the elephant does not know and take advantage of his own strength.

This is the condition of the farmers of this country.

Disorganized, they are like the mighty elephant, led by the spindle-legged political office-seeking lawyer, who has for many years led the unorganized farmers at his will.

Organized, the farmer gains in intelligent information, and can and will know his strength, and hurl Mr. Demagogue-lawyer to the trash pile where he properly belongs.—Fireside and Bulletin.

OF LOCAL INTEREST.

Some People We Know, and We Will Profit By Hearing About Them.

This is a purely local event.
It took place in Colorado.
Not in Buffalo or New York.
You are asked to investigate it.
Asked to believe a citizen's word;
To confirm a citizen's statement.
Any article that is endorsed at home.
Is more worty of confidence
Than one you know nothing about,
Endorsed by unknown people.

J. W. Nunn, Colorado, Texas, says: "It gives me great plasure to reccommend Doan's Kidney Pills. Some years ago I suffered terribly from disordered kidneys and nothing did me any good until I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised in the local paper and got a box. Their use as directed soon cured me. Since then on several occasions I have taken Doan's Kidney Pills and have always found them excellent."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doans—and take no other.

It is an old saying among the German farmers of the United States, "Build a barn, and the barn will build a house; but a house will never build a barn." This country has a goodly number of barns, but many more are needed. Many farmers will say they are not able to build a barn, but it can be shown that they are better able to build than to do without a barn. Wheat and oats are very promising crops, and the yields will be good. Now, with no storage room, the average farmer is compelled to market his grain direct from the thresher, and hire teams to do the hauling. While this is the case the farmer has to unload at whatever he is offered for his grain. With a barn giving ample storage room, he could store the grain, market it at odd times, himself, and have an opportunity to make his own prices occasionally, and at all times sure of the rise in price when it occurs. If a man has 3,000 or 4,000 bushels of grain, a few cents' rise in the price will go far toward the building of a barn. Then at no great expense, one can shed to the barn and make housing room for his agricultural inmplements, saving on them an annual deterioration of 10 to 20 per cent that usually occurs through exposure to the weather.

Ladies Hat Free.

To the lady, young or old, who brings us the greatest number of customers within the next thirty days, we will give a five ($5.00) dollar hat absolutely free.

MRS. B. F. MILLS.

If any citizen of the town of Colorado thinks he has an idea that will benefit the town; that will stimulate business conditions and inspire a greater degree of confidence in the future development of the town, he now has a splendid opportunity to come forward and suggest it. In fact if any citizen has such an idea or plan and refuses to talk it over with his neighbors, he is not only possibly helping depreciate the value of his own business or property, but is playing the role of the "dog in the manger." Has such a man, a man who believes he has a remedy for our present condition of depression, yet refuses to tell it—has he any right to complain of and damn with adverse criticism the efforts his neighbors are making to better the condition of things, his own included? The commercial culb will met the first Monday night in May and every citizen of the town is requested to meet with them, at the county court house. A board of directors will be appointed who will act for the club in emergencies, and a line of action laid out for future work. You are as much a member as anyone else if you are willing to contribute any amount, however small to its maintenance. Go to the next meting; get in line with the boys who are trying to help the whole town and something can surely be accomplished. True, it may not be jusct the thing you would have suggested, but it may work out for good. Give your own views and maybe next time they will be adopted.

SPEAKING DATES OF A. J. COE.

Itinerary of County Judge Coe, Who Invntes His Opponent to Meet Him at These Places.

A. J. Coe, candidate for County Judge of Mitchell County, will speak at the following places on dates given. He respectfully invites his opponent, J. J. Patterson, to meet him and accept a division of time. All the other candidates for county and district offices are likewise invited to improve the opportunities:

Champion, May 17th, Friday, 8:30.
Landers, Friday, May 24, 8:30.
Zellner, Friday May 31st, 8:30.
Westbrook, Friday, June 7th, 8:30.
Longfellow, Friday, June 14, 8:30.
Car, Friday, June 21st, 8:30.
Looney, Friday, June 28th, 8:30.
Spade, Friday, July 5th, 8:30.
Union, Friday, July 12th, 8:30.
Rodgers, Friday, July 19th, 8:30.
Loraine, Tuesday, July 23, 8:30.
Colorado, Friday, July 26th, 8:30.

The returns from our farms have been, and will continue to be, the source of this nation's wealth. Other occupations, no matter how useful they may be to society, are dependent upon farming, nor will they ever rise to a position where the farmer's crops will not influence the business of the country. Yet the farmer needs the business man, and agriculture in its highest development requires manufacturing, transportations, mining and the legitimate professional men.—Farm and Ranch.

BETTER MEDICINE THAN CALOMEL

Dodson's Liver Tone, a Safe Vegetable Liquid, Now Takes the Place of Calomel, the Powerful Mineral Drug.

Many people know the danger of calomel, yet they take it because they know of nothing better. Other people are not afraid of calomel because they do not understand what a dangerous drug it is.

Nobody needs to take dangerous calomel (which is made from mercury) if they live near a store where Dodson's Liver Tone is sold.

Floyd Beall sells Dodson's Liver Tone, and guarantees it to be a perfect substitute for calomel. It is a pleasant tasting vegetable tonic, that livens up the liver without causing any restriction of habit or diet. It has none of the bad after-effects of calomel and is safe for children as well as grown-ups.

The following comes from an unknown newspaper: "A dog sat in the midnight chill and howled at the beaming moon; his knowledge of music was strictly nil, and his voice was out of tune. And he howled and howled as the hours went by, while dodging the bricks we threw, till the moon was low in the western sky, and his voice had split in two. And there wasn't a thing at which to howl over which a pup should weep, and the course of that dog was wrong and foul, for people were wild to sleep. There are plenty of men like that blamed fool hound, who yell when there's nothing wrong, disturbing the country with senseless sound—the pessimist's doleful song.

Six hundred and forty acres of land between Magnolia and Houston have been sold to the Magnolia Park and Land Company for $50,000.

Cheap Pork on Kaffir and Peanuts.

Garza County, Texas.—The Double U Company has a total of something like 1,700 head of hogs on hand and it is our intention to plant 450 acres of Spanish peanuts, and we expect to fatten these hogs on peanuts, kaffir corn and maize absolutely without corn.

We do not raise corn here, as we have demonstrated that we can do much better with the peanuts, kaffir corn and maize than we can bother with corn, and one acre of good peanuts is worth more to us than two acres of corn. We can handle the peanuts with much less expense. We let the hogs do the harvesting and we all know that that alone is a great saving. To be sure we will harvest a sufficient amount of the best peanuts to secure the very best seed possible.

After the hogs are about ready for the market they are taken from the goober patch and put in small lots and fed kaffir corn and maize for something like 20 to 30 days. This is done for the purpose of hardening them up. We believe that peanuts alone make the pork a little soft, but in feeding them from 20 to 30 days on the kaffir and maize they are in the best possible shape to demand the top market price and there is no place in the United States where there is a better market than right here in our own state. Why not join in with us and stop having so much hog products shipped in from our northern and eastern states?

We know that we can raise the best and why not and we surely have plenty of room in Texas, and no place where peanuts, kaffir corn and maize will do better, and nearly sure to make a crop each year.

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J. M. WARD, Index, Texas.

'Tis better to swat the fly than to find him later in the butter.

Mrs. O. B. Colquitt has sent a letter to every county judge advocating the establishment of free dispensaries and the employment of visiting nurses for the sick. Mrs. Colquitt also urges the establishment of County Hospitals with special and esparate provision for the care of consumptives and other persons suffering from any contagious or infectious illness in hospitals is the best way to prevent the spread of tuberculosis and all communicable diseases. "The Texas Anti-Tuberculosis Association of which I am president, will devote its energies to the work of securing county hospitals and dispensaries with visiting nurses serving in connection, in every county of the state. I hope that county judges will take up this matter at once and give it serious consideration, and act for the benefit of their people."

Demand For Glass Eyes Decrease.

Berlin, May 2.—Owing to a considerable falling off in the American demand, due it is believed to the high cost of living, several glass eye specialists owning factories in Thurgingia have been forced to turn their attention to other glass articles. Nearly all glass eyes are made in Thurgingia and the United States has been the principal patron of the industry.

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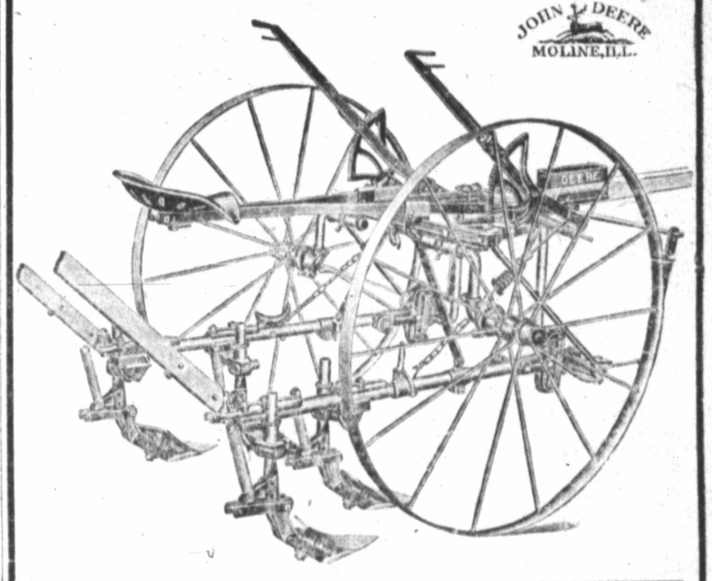
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Address of Candidate For Commissioner of Agriculture.

POLICIES ARE DEFINED.

Collin County Man Gives Platform and Views of Needs of Agricultural Interests in Texas. Practical Suggestions Offered.

H. E. Singleton of Collin county, in opening his campaign as candidate for the office of State Commissioner of Agriculture at Sulphur Springs, made the following statement of his platform and the policies he advocates

It was the assurance coming largely from intelligent, progressive farmers, merchants and others throughout the state that they wanted me to give my time to "winning the Battle of Industry" that led me to offer my name to the intelligent voters of Texas.

If elected, I hope to receive the support of all good citizens in carrying forward the state's proper duties in promoting our agricultural welfare.

In asking for the office I have no intention of doing aught but submitting my opinions for your consideration and if they are in line with advanced thought on agricultural affairs, I trust that you will give me a vote of confidence and give me further opportunity to counsel with you in working them out to a practical solution

The Primary Problem is Progress.

The end which all classes of our citizenship desire is prosperity among our agricultural population. I have no new, novel or fine-spun theories for overcoming some of the obstacles that seemingly retard the forward movement of our agricultural people. I am sure that every patriotic business man of whatever calling will join me in the hope that our agricultural people may have an annual revenue that will support an attractive country life. While our state is going forward in many lines, we cannot but stop and reflect when we learn from the recent census reports that the percentage of farm tenants is increasing rather than decreasing. In 1880 there was 37.6 per cent of our farms occupied by tenants today ti is 52.6 per cent. In 1890 5.7 per cent of our farms occupied by owners were mortgaged; today it is 33.3 per cent. We learn from the same reliable source that the value of these farms has increased 266 per cent, and that they decreased in size 24 per cent. On their face such changes indicate that we have a rural life problem in Texas that needs to be investigated, and if possible, a remedy provided. If elected to be your commissioner, I shall endeavor to have these and other similarly important problems thoroughly investigated and advise with you as to what is their proper remedy.

The Cost of Progress and the Products of the Soil.

Our desire is for social progress for all classes. There may be backward and forward periods affecting our agricultural, manufacturing and commercial classes, according as their interests are affected by favorable seasons, immigration, etc. However, in a country like ours, whose primary support must for many years at least, come from the soil, it is plain to all that unless this is, on an average, sufficiently profitable to leave a reasonable margin to the soil tillers, we as a state are not permanently self-sustaining. If we have a large profit we have just that much more to put into making things better. When we talk about better homes in rural communities, better school houses, better churches and roads, we mean in the final result that these farmer folks must have a greater buying power; greater producing power; greater purchasing power are the first essentials of progress. They must have more than expenses from their farms, somehow. Are we solving the problem?

The State's Income and Outgo on Agricultural Products.

In a statement recently issued by the Fort Worth Stockyards, it was announced that they had paid out nearly $100,000,000 for foreign meats. That is, meats brought to Fort Worth from Northern farms. And millions go from the state every year for meat slaughtered in other states, because Texas does not raise enough to feed her people. As cotton and rice are practically our only export crops, we can readily understand that this meat must be paid for with money from the sale of these two staples. I not only want to see Texas furnish a surplus of meat to our packing houses, but I want to see more smokehouses on Texas farms. This is not only possible, but will be immensely profitable under an intelligent system of stock farming.

This state on an average buys about $51,000,000 worth of corn annually to make up for the deficiency in our domestic production. Similar deficiencies are to be noted as to oats, wheat, alfalfa, and other necessities. If we are paying tribute to other agricultural communities, it is time to ask why. To keep within the state the vast sums we pay for these supplies would do much to bring about an era of greater prosperity at home. I have no cut and dried solution of these problems, but want to mention a few things which I think illustrate what is needed. In a word, it is wider diffused information—not so much a matter of legislation.

Some Problems Which Illustrate What is Needed.

For five or six years there has been a small group of farmers working to interest all farmers in the state in better methods of grain production. I refer to the Texas Corn Growers' Association. A select committee of competent experts, of whom Prof. D. A. Saunders of the United States department of agriculture is chairman, acting under the instructions of the association, co-operating with the state and United States stations, have been making some valuable discoveries—facts that would mean millions of dollars to Texas farmers if widely known. They have tested many grades and varieties of seed corn, such as are actually used by the farmers of Texas. Altogether, some fifty or seventy-five varieties are now used. As a result of more than forty tests made in various parts of the state covering a period of five years, and probably more than 400 samples of seed, they have concluded that there are only eight or ten varieties of corn—all native varieties—that are worthy of general use within the state.

Nearly every grocery store is now selling foreign grown seed corn. Not one of these varieties in all these tests has given results that would justify the intelligent farmer in using them in Texas. They yield from five to twenty-five bushels per acre less than the better native varieties. The conclusions of these committeemen mean, in fact, that thousands of Texas farmers are using inferior seed corn without apparently realizing it. Texas plants about nine million acres of corn.

The annual loss to the state on account of the use of unacclimated seed corn must be in the neighborhood of $20,000,000, if it is not more than that sum. The state should not delay putting such information as this in an authoritative and convincing way before the farmers of the state.

The Cotton Crop.

The great money crop of the South cotton, is a particularly rich treasure of which the South has a monopoly—a monopoly that cannot be taken from her. Therefore, it is all the more astounding that the South has for so many years permitted foreign spinners to fix the price of cotton and dictate when it shall be sold. Any other people in the world having a monopoly of such a necessity as cotton, would have long ago developed a plan to make the other part of the world pay a fair price for that commodity. Why has the South allowed herself to be so imposed upon?

There is one peculiar fact that every cotton raiser is not familiar with—that



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the machinery made for the working up of the cotton of this country will not work up the cotton raised in India, Egypt, or any other foreign country. The difference in the fibre is the reason. Therefore, the mills built to handle our cotton must depend on us for their supply, yet we go on permitting them to fix the price they will pay us for our cotton. Was there ever such great folly shown by any other people in the world?

Marketing Our Crops.

I think the marketing of our crops has received too little attention from our public officials. Every producer is not a good salesman, and we frequently see the need of assisting men in their marketing problem, a necessity as great as, or greater than, exists for assisting them in the production. It is a fact that there is not on an average a good salesman in a hundred producers, and some of our crops, especially cotton, which cannot be fed or utilized on the farm, should have especial attention in the marketing. If elected, I promise to do what I can, connected with the duties of my office, to assist those whose duty it is to shape laws designed to better this condition.

I favor the establishment of bonded local warehouses, under state control, wherever the production will justify, for the storing of all crops, especially cotton, utnil the proper time arrives for placing them on the market.

Experiment Stations—Extension Education.

Texas is a new state yet. We are in an experimental stage. Agriculture is as old as civilization, but it is today in need of information. This is recognized the world over. Every civilized country in the world has its experiment stations. We have ours, and they have done much good in the past. I believe that they can be made to do much good in the future. If you elect me your commissioner of agriculture, I pledge myself to use all the influence of my office to see that practical and well-trained investigators remain in charge of the experiment stations, and that they are protected from any disturbing influence of personal politics. Our farmers need practical, authoritative information on the selection of seed, preparation of the soil, feeding and caring for livestock, terracing land and other means to prevent erosion of soil.

As I said before, all our stations have done much for the farmers in the past, but I am convinced that much more might have been accomplished but for the frequent changes in the officials and policies in the past. The office of field crop experimentalist in our main experiment station has been held by four men in five years. Such frequent changes do not make for success in any business, certainly not in agricultural investigations.

The state has two sets of experiment stations, one a main station located at the A. & M. College, under the control of a board of directors of the college, appointed by the governor, and a number of sub-stations at Beeville, Troupe, Spur, Lubbock, Beaumont, Temple, Denton, Angleton, etc., under a special board, composed of the governor, commissioner of agriculture and the director of the main station. I believe that the work of these stations should be under one management, and, if I am elected, I shall ask our governor to recommend legislation looking to that end. I am also in favor of the constitutional amendment proposing gradual changes in the personnel of the governing boards of our educational and charitable institutions. Our custom of tolerating a shake-up in managing boards of these institutions is no credit to the citizenship of this state. I want to see personal and factional politics separated from the state's business affairs.

Industrial Education.

I believe it to be one of the first duties of the present generation to provide liberally for the education of the children of today. A reasonable common school education should be the heritage of every child, whether he lives in the country or the town. Universal public education goes hand in hand with the theory of Democratic government. It makes us more universally self-governing and self-supporting. In venturing an opinion on the educational policies of the state, I have no intention of doing aught but co-operating with the progressive policies heretofore followed by our present superintendent of education. I believe that our present excellent system of rural public schools can be greatly improved. This is pre-eminently an agricultural state. The larger part of our people are making their living by farming, and it will be several decades before manufacturing and mining will bring any great amount of money into the state. Of all the agencies that contribute toward making a man useful to himself and others, that of "education about the things he is to do" is the greatest. We need to develop home manufacturing in every possible way, but our educational policy should not forget that the majority of the next generation will live an agricultural life. I want to see agriculture taught in every school in the state. My justification for this is not founded on the desire to keep anyone on the farm or to send anyone there, but because I know it will enable those who do live there to support a better standard of country life than we have today.

Domestic Economy.

I believe the boy should not be the only beneficiary of the state's provision for industrial education. The young man who elects to follow agriculture as a calling and provides a home in the country, should be enabled to choose as his bride a young woman who has had the advantage of education in home-making and in the care of the home in the most economical manner. I favor the addition of a lecturer on domestic economy to the staff of the institute workers under the direction of the commissioner of agriculture. Thus the wives and daughters of farmers will become interested in the institutes and they will derive pleasure as well as profit from attending. Science has no less place in the kitchen than in the field and factory, and by its proper application in the preparation of food, the health, happiness and prosperity of our people will be greatly enhanced.

Farmers' Institutes.

As commissioner of agriculture, if elected, my greatest responsibility will be in collecting, organizing and carrying to the present adult agricultural population information that will be practicable in their everyday efforts. It will be agricultural information for agricultural people. I have been a farmer all my life. I have always lived on a farm. As a farmer, I have made a reasonable showing for my efforts. As I have mingled with the farmers of the state, I have become convinced that it is not only a wise policy, but a moral duty of the state to provide and maintain a department for supplying the present farming population with accurate information about farming.

There are several thousand men in the United States studying agricultural problems. They are collecting valuable information. As soon as this information is thoroughly tested and found applicable to Texas conditions, the state should see that is is carried into the homes of our farmers. We want to get the Wisconsin idea. Twenty years ago Wisconsin was no more of a dairying state than is Texas today. Through the expenditure of several thousands of dollars by her legisature in the employment of men who were really fitted for their tasks, it has become to mean an annual production of millions of dollars worth of dairy products, and at the same time has increased her other products. Her farmers over the whole state have become more generally prosperous.

Texas imports annually millions of dollars worth of butter, cheese and condensed milk. All these could be profitably produced in this state, where the open winters are especially favorable to dairy farming.

The fifty chief cities of the Southern states bring from the North annually $20,000,000 worth of butter alone, and it is a conservative estimate that at least as much more is brought into the smaller towns, to say nothing of the vast amount spent for cheese. This is a tremendous tribute to pay to the Northern dairy farmer, and explains his greater prosperity, in a large measure.

A Fact—Not a Theory.

A fact is a stubborn thing—so pride. No one feels a greater pri than I in our remarkable progress the forty odd years I have lived in t state. I am glad that the scooter plo the grain cradle, the long-horned st and the razor-back hog have been placed by more useful representative that the log houses, the rawhide saddles and bronco ponies are coming to be mere matters of memory. We are glad that we have found better things and adopted them. Yet, fellow citizens, there are other states than ours, and they too, have gone forward, and, if after visiting them and investigating their progress, we find that they have gained faster than have we, let us honor the success they have achieved by taking for ourselves that part of their plans which we can use.

I will not burden you today with tedious observations or masses of statistics. I could have compiled them and read them to you. But it is well known that we average Texas farmers are not making as much out of our efforts as are our fellow farmers of the Middle West. The average production of the farm or farm worker is noticeably less in Texas than in the corn belt states. Their land is not richer; their climate is not better. Let us go forward as they have done. We must make more out of our farms before we can put more into our homes, our school houses, and otherwise raise our standard of living. Progress for the whole country, therefore, depends not upon our ability to put more energy into the production of crops, but to obtain and disseminate information that will lead to a wise solution of our agricultural problems.

If the citizenship of Texas sees fit to make me your commissioner of agriculture, I will do my best to justify the judgment of my friends who have solicited me to make the race. I do not need the office, but if elected I will try to render a service to the practicing farmers of this state that will merit your approval. Agriculture is the greatest industry in this state. I will try to serve the whole state worthily.

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No. 5—This is a ten section proposition but is such a rare bargain as to make it sell at once. It is fine land in Borden county, 80 per cent agricultural, 3000 acres sub-irrigated, only nine feet to water, inexhaustible sheet water at 22 feet. Have everlasting springs. Estimated that enough water could be secured if properly developed to irrigate the whole tract. Has two sets of fine improvements, a store and postoffice, school, ranch houses and is an ideal proposition for small colonization project. This land is offered at only $15 per acre, half cash with terms on balance. There is twelve acres of old alfalfa on the place, cutting four tons per acre, and this alone shows this land to be equal to any of that in the Pecos valley or in California.

No. 6.—320 acres of good sandy loam 7 1-2 miles northwest of Colorado, improved. 75 acres in cultivation, 250 acres tillable. Loan of $1200. Terms one-fourth cash, balance ten years.

No. 7—160 acres sandy loam farm 6 miles from Westbrook; price $20 per acre; $900 incumberance. Will exchange equity for horses, mules or merchandise.

No. 8—480 acres red land soil, 250 acres in cultivation; 460 acres tillable 20 acres grazing land; all fenced; mesquite for fuel; two good wells, windmill and tank; one good four-room house and outbuildings; one two-room house and out buildings; half mile to school; 7 miles of Iatan, Mitchell county, on T. & P. railroad. half mile from postoffice. Price $16.00 per acre, one-third cash, balance 2 to 7 years at 9 per cent.

No. 9—320 acres; 75 acres sandy loam, balance red and black land; 75 acres in cultivation; 175 acres tillable; 145 acres good grazing land; all fenced; plenty mesquite timber for fuel; two wells and tanks; 3-room house, good barn and outbuildings; one and a half miles from school; four miles of Westbrook; 7 miles from Colorado (county seat Mitchell county) on the T. & P. railroad. Price $20.00 per acre, one half cash, balance to suit.

No. 11—9 acres sandy loam, all in cultivation; fenced; good windmill, well and cistern; good 5-room house and outbuildings; joining the city of Colorado, Mitchell county. Price $2,500, $1000 cash balance to suit. A fine proposition for poultry farm or truck patch.

No. 14—640 acres deep red sandy loam, all tillable, all good grazing land; a great bargain at $6.50 per acre. 16 miles south-west of Tahoka, county seat of Lynn county, on the Santa Fe railroad.

No. 15—One of Mitchell county's best improved farms, 196 acres, dark sandy loam; 175 acres in cultivation, all tillable; good well and windmill and tank; good 4-room house, barn 25x60; half mile to school; 3 miles east of Colorado, Mitchell county. Price $40 per acre. Half cash, balance to suit at 8 per cent interest.

No. 16—Must be sold. 640 acres, five miles of Colorado; 3 sets of improvements; 320 acres in cultivation, 75 per cent tillable. Make offer quick.

No. 17—5120 acres. One of the best stock ranches in west Texas. Good valley soil; all fenced; half tillable; all good grazing land; abundance of grass; part of this land had grass on it 18 inches high and would have cut several thousand tons of hay; good 5-room house; large surface tank; 16 miles northwest of Kent, Culberson county, on the T. & P. railroad. Land lays so that you could see a cow almost anywhere on the entire tract. Party not able to stock this ranch and will sell at a sacrifice. $4.00 per acre one-fourth cash, $1.60 due the state, can run 35 years at 3 per cent, balance to suit at 8 per cent. Will exchange. What have you?

No. 18—640 acres soil sandy loam, 440 acres in cultivation; 85 per cent tillable; all fenced; three wells and two windmills; three sets of tenant improvements; one and a half miles of school; 12 miles northwest of Colorado, county seat of Mitchell county, on T. & P. railroad. Price $21.50 per acre, one-fourth cash, balance to suit.

No. 19—640 acres, sandy loam; 100 acres farm land, one-third agricultural, house, six miles from Colorado; price $11 per acre. 640 acres, 45 per cent tillable, ranch house, spring, improvements worth $1000; price $11.00 per acre. 640 acres, 70 acres tillable at $15.00 per acre, 640 acres, 50 acres ready for the plow, half tillable, two-thirds sand and shinnery, $10.00 per acre. 640 acres, 100 acres ready for the plow, fenced and tenant house, half sandy soil, on Colorado river, $14 per acre. 160 acres, 70 acres in cultivation, all tillable, sandy soil $15.00 per acre. 320 acres, 70 acres in cultivation, half tillable, on Colorado river, $12.50 per acre. All of the above tracts lay from five to eight miles of Colorado; one-third cash, balance at 8 per ct.

No. 20—240 acres sandy loam, 70 acres in cultivation, 200 acres tillable, all fenced, two wells, windmill; one mile of school; tenant improvements, three miles of Colorado. Price $20. two-thirds cash, balance to suit.

No. 21—160 acres, catclaw land 120 acres in cultivation; all tillable, fenced, well, windmill and tank; small house and other improvements; two miles of school; four miles of store; ten miles of Colorado. Price $23.00 per acre, half cash, balance 10 per ct.

No. 22—160 acres, sandy loam, 120 in cultivation; 160 tillable, fenced; well, windmill and tank; good 4-room house; half mile of school; 7 miles of Colorado. Price $5000, half cash, balance to suit.

No. 23—320 acres; fenced; catclaw soil 130 in cultivation, 200 tillable, 130 grazing land; mesquite timber; well windmill and tank; 3-room house, two porches; 3-4 mile to church and school four and a half miles of Colorado. Price $22.50 per acre, $3100 cash, balance at 8 per cent.

No. 24—160 acres, red catclaw sandy soil; 100 in cultivation; 125 tillable; good grazing land; mesquite timber; fenced; 5-room house with porches; 3 acre peach orchard; 2 miles of school; 5 miles from Colorado, on the T. & P. railroad. Price $25.00 per acre. Half cash, balance 1 to 10 years at 8 per cent.

No. 25—160 acres, sandy loam soil, 65 acres in cultivation, 98 per cent tillable; fenced; mesquite timber; two small houses and out buildings; two miles of school; two miles of Spade; six miles of Westbrook; Price 20.00 per acre, half cash, balance to suit at 8 per cent. Will trade for anything.

No. 26—176 acres, sandy catclaw soil, 105 in cultivation, 160 tillable; good grazing land; fenced; two wells, creek, abundance of water; 3-room house; 3-4 mile of school and church; 12 miles from Snyder. Price $32.50 per acre; half cash, balance to suit. Would take $1000 worth of horses and mules.

No. 27—317 acres sandy soil; 160 in cultivation; 300 tillable; good grazing; fenced; well, windmill, cistern and on Colorado river; 3-4 acre in fruit trees, bore some last year; small house and other improvements; 1-2 mile of school Price $18.50 per acre, half cash, balance to suit; 8 miles from Colorado. Would trade for smaller farm in South Texas.

No. 28—Good 4-room house well located in Colorado, lot 100x140; good location; nice shade trees; fenced; and other improvements. The price is right and would exchange for property at Post City.

No. 29—480 acres sandy loam and red catclaw soil, all tillable except 2 acres; good grazing land; good new fence; large surface tank; in Lynn county; 1 1-4 mile of switch, 8 miles south of Tahoka, county seat, Price $15.00, 1-4 cash balance to suit.

No. 30—160 acres of sandy loam, 80 in cultivation, balance good grazing; fenced; well, windmill and good spring ten acres in orchard and berries 3 to 5 years; good 5-room house, barn and other improvements; 3 miles of Colorado. The price is right; will trade for city property.

No. 31—2190 acres red sandy loam, 250 acres in cultivation; fenced; good well and windmill and on the Colorado river; good 5-room ranch house, barn and other improvements; one of the best stock ranches in the country; 11 miles of Colorado. Will trade for stock, land or business property in North or Northwest Texas.

No. 33.—137 acres red sandy land, 80 acres in cultivation, 100 acres tillable balance good grazing land, fenced, small house, cistern, watered by Colorado river, half mile of school. Price $25.00 per acre, $1500 cash, balance to suit, or would exchange for young mules and cattle.

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BY RANDALL PARRISH

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I—Major Lawrence, son of Judge Lawrence of Virginia, whose wife was a Lee, is sent on a perilous mission by Gen. Washington, just after the winter at Valley Forge.

CHAPTER II—Disguised in a British uniform arrives within the enemy's lines.

CHAPTER III—The Major attends a great fete and saves the "Lady of the Blended Rose" from mob. He later meets the girl at a brilliant ball.

CHAPTER IV—Trouble is started over a waltz, and Lawrence is urged by his partner, Mistress Mortimer, (the Lady of the Blended Rose), to make his escape.

CHAPTER V—Lawrence is detected as a spy by Captain Grant of the British army, who agrees to a duel.

CHAPTER VI—The duel is stopped by Grant's friends and the spy makes a dash for liberty, swimming a river following a narrow escape.

CHAPTER VII—The Major arrives at the shop of a blacksmith, who is friendly, and knows the Lady of the Blended Rose.

CHAPTER VIII—Captain Grant and rangers arrive and search the blacksmith shop in vain for the spy.

CHAPTER IX—Lawrence joins the minute men who capture Grant and his train.

CHAPTER X—Major Lawrence is made prisoner by an Indian and two white men.

CHAPTER XI—Lawrence's captors lock him in a strong cell, where he meets Peter the jailer.

CHAPTER XII—Peter advises Lawrence not to attempt escape as "some one" will send for him.

CHAPTER XIII.

A New Combination.

My first thought was that this must prove a trap, and I drew hastily back behind the curtain, believing myself justified in an effort at escape. Surely, under such conditions, my word of parole to Peter had no binding force. Yet I waited long enough to glance forth again. The advancing body was less than a hundred strong, Queen's Rangers and Hessians, from their uniforms, straggling along on foot, limping, dusty and without arms. These must be the remnant of Delavan's command, released by their guard of partisans, and now wearily seeking refuge. But why were they coming here? Surely this was not the Philadelphia road?

They turned in upon the open lawn in front of the door, and I could plainly distinguish the faces. There could no longer be any doubt but what these were the men we had fought and defeated the evening before. Grant, with the two Hessian officers, was in advance, and the former strode directly toward the house, while the majority of his following flung themselves at full length on the ground, as though utterly exhausted. Some strange fascination held me motionless, watching the man climb the front steps. The iron knocker rang loudly twice before there came any response from within. Then I could hear voices, but the words reaching me were detached, and without definite meaning. Finally the door closed, and the two men passed along the hall, beyond the room in which I waited. Then Peter's voice said solemnly, as if announcing a distinguished guest:

"Captain Alfred Grant!"

There was an exclamation of surprise, a quick exchange of sentences indistinguishable, although I was sure of Grant's peculiar accent, and the other voice was that of the young light Dragoon lieutenant. Uncertain what best to do I stole toward the door and gripped the knob. This was the only known way out, for I dare not venture to use the window which was in plain view of those soldiers resting on the lawn. Whether Peter had retired or not, I possessed no means of knowing, yet I opened the door silently a bare inch to make sure. At the same instant my ears caught the lieutenant's dismissing order, even as my eyes had glimpse of Swanson's broad back blocking the open doorway of a room nearly opposite.

"That will do, Peter, for the present. Have the table prepared for three guests at once."

He backed out, casting a quick glance of caution in my direction, and disappeared down the hall, rubbing his bald head industriously. I opened the door wider, wondering if I dare venture upon slipping by unobserved. Then Grant spoke, his voice loud enough to be easily heard:

"How did we come here? Why, where else could we go? The damned rebels stripped us clean; we had to have food. This was the nearest place where we were certain of getting any. Of course I didn't know our foragers had left Elmhurst alone, and that—for some cause which mystifies Clinton—these Jersey outlaws have been equally considerate. There was plenty to be had here, and I meant to have it in spite of the servants."

"You must have marched straight past your own place," the boyish voice interrupted.

"Well, what if we did. There was nothing there, as you know. The house has been stripped to a mere shell. Not a nigger left, nor a horse. I'd like to know what influence keeps this property untouched!"

"That's easily answered. You forget we are a divided family, with fighting men on either side."

"Little these outlaws care for that."

"At least they appear to, as we remain unmolested. There has not been a raiding party halted here since the war began."

"Well, if you hadn't been at home, there would have been one along now," burst forth Grant rather roughly. "Those fellows out there are desperate enough to sack the house if that was their only method of getting food. And I promised they should have the chance."

"Oh, you did, indeed! That would have proven a friendly act."

"Necessity does not take much account of friendship. I was responsible for a hundred starving men. Under such conditions force would be justified. I doubt if I could control the fellows now if provisions should be refused."

"There is no necessity for indulging in threats, Captain Grant," said the boy's voice coldly. "Elmhurst has never yet turned a soldier away in hunger. Peter will instruct what few servants remain to attend to the immediate needs of your men. May I ask how long you expect to remain?"

I thought Grant was walking nervously back and forth across the room.

"How long? Until night, probably. Then with a bite in our haversacks we'll take the road again. That is, providing you condescend to act as our host for so long a time. Odds life! but this reception is not over warm to my thinking."

"Elmhurst is not a tavern, sir."

"No; but the home of a loyalist—the commander of half those men out yonder. However I am not pleading for them, but myself personally. What welcome have I had? By all the gods, I was almost compelled to fight that bald-headed old fool to even gain admittance to the hall. Were those your orders?"

"Assuredly not. But you must consider circumstances, and forgive Peter



I Opened the Door Wider, Wondering If I Dare Venture Upon Stepping by Unobserved.

for being over zealous in my service. I received you as soon as I knew who you were."

"Yes," somewhat mollified, "I presume that is true, although you are chilly enough, the Lord knows. But what brings you here?"

"That must remain my secret, Captain Grant—for the present."

"Oh, very well. I thought it might have some connection with Eric's presence in this neighborhood."

"With Eric! What do you mean? Have you seen him?"

"Ah! so I've got below the surface at last! I thought I might with that thrust. Yes, I saw him last night. I didn't know what the devil the fellow was up to, but I thought I'd let him play out his game. It was a right nervy trick, so far as it went, but unfortunately the rebels came in before I discovered what it all led up to."

"You do not make it very clear to me."

"I told you it was not even clear to myself. This is all I know. When I joined Delavan last night just after dark, he had a young officer of Light Dragoons in charge of his advance guard. I merely got a glimpse of the fellow as we rode in, and he looked so devilishly like Eric that I asked Delavan who the lad was. He said he had joined at Mount Holly with three men, was going through to Philadelphia with despatches from New York, and was only too glad of escort the rest of the way. Being short of officers Delavan gave him charge of the van."

"Did he recognize you?"

"I hardly think so; it was pretty dark, and I was put on guard over the rear wagons. I supposed I would have ample opportunity to learn the truth after it became daylight."

"But you believed him to be Eric?"

"Yes, and after the attack I was convinced. He and the three men with him bolted and got away. Must have run at the first fire, for the fellows had us completely hemmed in. It was Eric all right, and that is about half the reason why I led my men back here—I wanted to find out if he was hiding about the old place. Is it true you haven't seen him?"

"Quite true; indeed I had no reason to suppose him in the Jerseys at this time."

Grant remained silent, probably not wholly convinced that he was being told the truth, and yet not venturing to state openly his suspicions. However the other said no more, and finally the Ranger felt compelled to answer.

"Of course," he explained rather lamely, "I couldn't altogether blame you for concealing the boy if he had shown up here, but you will realize that as a King's officer I have a serious duty to perform."

"You would apprehend Eric? Would betray him into British hands? Is that your meaning, Captain Grant?"

"What else could I do? Don't be unreasonable! Boy as he is, no one in all that crew of ragamuffins has done us greater harm. Again and again he has learned our secrets and brought Washington information of our plans. How he does it is the mystery of this department—Howe has personally offered a thousand pounds for his arrest. Surely you know that. Last night I thought we had him in our power, but the very devil seems to protect him from capture, even when luck brings him fairly within our grip."

"And so you came here to search for him?" I could feel the bitter scorn in the voice. "In his father's home!"

"I certainly did," angrily. "I shall search the house from cellar to garret before I leave."

"But you are on parole."

"Damn the parole. What do I care for a pledge given to a band of plundering outlaws? And what do I care for Eric? He chose for himself, and has no right to expect any mercy from me, and by all the gods, he'll receive none. I half believe that attack last night was his planning, and that now you have him hidden away here. Now listen to me! I do not desire to be harsh, but I'm a soldier. My men are not armed, but there are enough out there to handle the servants barehanded. No one can get out of this house without being seen; I've attended to that."

"And you propose searching the rooms?"

"I do. If you had been a little more genial I might have exhibited greater courtesy. But I haven't any use for Eric, and never had. Now you know the truth."

"It merely illustrates more clearly your character."

"You are always free enough with your comments. I shall do my duty to the King."

"Very well, sir," and the incensed lieutenant pushed back his chair. "Then we clearly understand each other at last. I am sincerely glad of it. From now on I shall never again be guilty of mistaking you for a friend or a gentleman. No, I have no wish to listen to another word; you have spoken frankly enough, and I understand the situation. Perhaps it is only anger, but it gives me the excuse I have been seeking after a long while in vain. Whatever claim you may have had upon my regard in the past is over with, forever over with, Captain Grant."

"But—but, surely—"

"I mean precisely that. You can cover your despicable actions with the gloss of military duty, but I know you now as a revengeful liar. Treat this house as you please. I refuse to have any more dealings or words with you. I'll provision you and your men, as I would any others suffering from hunger, but that ends all. If you search this house do it by force, and in any way you please, but expect no assistance from me. I bid you good-day, sir, and will send Peter to call you when breakfast is ready."

I closed the crack of the door as he came forth into the hall, having no desire to be caught listening. My own position was more unpleasant and hazardous than ever. Whatever reason the lieutenant might have for holding me prisoner I was convinced he possessed no knowledge as to my real identity. The probability was that after an interview I would be released. But Grant would recognize me instantly, and he proposed searching the house, room by room, seeking this man Eric. I must make my escape first. Yet how could this be accomplished? I heard Peter pass along the hall, and solemnly announce the serving of breakfast. He and Grant exchanged a few sentences, and then the latter strode to the front door, where he gave orders to the men. I watched the German officers come up the steps, while the majority of the others forming into irregular line, marched around the corner of the house. A small squad remained, however, on guard, facing the front entrance.

CHAPTER XIV.

Again the Lady.

I must think rapidly, and act as quickly. Yet, if what Grant had said was true, that he had already posted guards on each side the house, then escape by daylight was practically impossible. From all I could see there was no concealment close at hand, and while the fellows were without arms, yet their numbers were sufficient to make any attempt at running their lines extra hazardous. And I had much at risk, for if taken it would be as a spy, and not a mere prisoner of war. There was no place for concealment in the library, but there might be upstairs, in the attic, or on the roof. The chance was worth the trial, and there could be no better time for such an experiment than while the three officers were at breakfast. Whatever servants remained about the house would be busily employed also, and probably I should have the entire upper portion to myself. Deciding to make the venture I had my hand on the knob of the door, when it was opened quietly from without, and I was startled by the sudden appearance of Peter. Whatever excitement may have prevailed among the other members of this peculiar household this model servitor remained with dignity unruffled. He surveyed me calmly, rubbing his bald head with one hand.

"You will pardon the delay, sir," he said calmly. "But circumstances have arisen changing the original plans. Will you kindly accompany me?"

"But where, Peter? I don't wish to be seen by these new arrivals."

"Have no fear, sir," condescendingly, and with an authoritative wave of the hand. "The officers are at table, and will know nothing of our movements."

I followed meekly enough, and he led the way up the broad stairs to the second story, turning to the left in the upper hall, and coming to a pause before a partially opened door. A glimpse within made me deem it a music room, although I could see merely along one wall.

"You will enter, sir, while I return to the guests below."

With one glance into this perfectly expressionless countenance, half suspicious of some new trick, I stepped across the threshold. The curtains were drawn, and the room seemed dark after the sun-glare of the hall. I advanced a step or two, almost convinced the apartment was unoccupied, when a voice addressed me.

"Under more favorable conditions, Major Lawrence, it would give me pleasure to welcome you to the hospitalities of Elmhurst."

I swung about as on a pivot and saw her standing with one hand upon the high back of a chair, her blue eyes smiling merrily. I felt the hot rush of blood to my cheeks, the quick throb of pulse, with which I recognized her. I was so surprised that, for the instant, the words I sought to utter choked in my throat.

"You have not suspected?" she asked. "You did not know this was my home?"

"Nothing was farther from my thoughts," I exclaimed hastily. "All I knew of your home was that it was situated somewhere in the Jerseys. But wait, perhaps I begin to understand—the lieutenant who brought me here; his voice has been echoing in my ears



"You Have Not Suspected?" She Asked. "You Did Not Know This Was My Home?"

all night in familiarity. He is some near relative of yours—this Eric?"

"Oh, you have overheard? You know the name through hearing Captain Grant speak?"

"Yes; I could not very well help doing so. Peter had stationed me in the library, but there was nothing said between you two to make me suspect your identity."

"You supposed me to be the lieutenant?"

"Why should I not? The voice was the same; at least sufficiently similar to deceive me, and he never addressed you in a way to arouse my suspicions. Is your brother named Eric?"

"Yes; I told you, did I not, that we are twins? The physical resemblance between us is very strong; no doubt our voices sound alike also, or would to a comparative stranger. Will you not be seated, Major? We shall not have long to converse, and there is much to be said before those downstairs complete their rather frugal meal—Peter has promised to delay serving as much as possible, but, as our larder is not extensive, at best it will not be long. You overheard Captain Grant's threat?"

"To search the house for your brother—yes."

"He will carry it out," quietly, her eyes, no longer smiling, on my face. "There has never been friendship between those two, and of late my own relations with Captain Grant have become very unpleasant. I think he is almost glad of an opportunity to thus exercise some authority over me. He is the kind of a man who must either rule or ruin. Convinced that Eric is concealed here, he will search the house as much to spite me as for any other reason. I should only laugh at him, but for your presence."

"Then your brother is not here?"

"Certainly not; Eric is in no danger—but, Major Lawrence, you are."

The earnestness with which she spoke made my heart leap. Whatever the girl's political sentiments might be, she was plainly desirous of serving me, of once again exposing herself in my defense. Yet her words, the frank expression of her eyes, gave no suggestion of sentiment—she was but a friend, an ally, performing a woman's part in the war game.

"But I fail to understand—"

"You mean me? Oh, well, you are not the first; and no doubt it is best so. The less you understand, the better we shall get along, Major; the only question being, will you obey my orders?"

"Had I inclination otherwise I fear I should find it impossible."

"I hardly know whether that remark be complimentary or not. You might mean that no other course was left you."

"Which I suspect is true, although if it proved so I should willingly trust myself to your guidance, because of my faith in you."

"That is much better," her eyes laughing, yet as swiftly sobering again. "But it is foolish of us to waste time in such silly speeches. There is too much waiting attention. Fortunately this house is not without its secrets, for when built by my grandfather this was the frontier."

"But does not Grant know?" I asked soberly. "I understood he played here as a boy, and there is not much a lad fails to learn."

"He is not without knowledge, surely, but here is something he never discovered. I would never have trusted him with the secret, and yet, as short a time as I have known you, I have no hesitancy. Isn't that a frank confession, sir?"

"One I mean you shall never regret."

"I am sure of that; yet I shall not betray everything even to you. Please face about with eyes to the front window. Yes, so; now do not look around until I tell you."

I heard her cross the room, her skirts rustling slightly, and then the faint clicking of some delicately adjusted mechanism. As this sound ceased, her voice again spoke.

"Now, Major, the way is opened for a safe retreat. Behold what has been accomplished by the genii of the lamp."

She was standing at one side of what had been the fireplace, but now the entire lower portion of the great chimney had been swung aside, revealing an opening amply large enough for the entrance of a man. I took one step forward to where I could perceive the beginning of a narrow winding stair leading down into intense blackness. Then I glanced aside into her eyes.

"The concealment was perfect," I exclaimed in admiration. "Where does the staircase lead?"

"To a very comfortable room underground. It had not been used for a generation until this war began. Eric and I learned of its existence by accident, while rummaging over some of our grandfather's old papers. I was about sixteen then, and shall never forget our first exploration. We found nothing down there then but a rough bunk, an old lanthorn, and the leathern scabbard of a sword. But since then Eric has been compelled to hide there twice to escape capture, and we have made the room below more comfortable. You will be obliged to grope your way down the stairs, but at the bottom will discover flint and steel, and a lantern with ample supply of candles. Peter will bring you food, if you need remain there for long!"

"Peter! Then he is in the secret?"

"Peter is in all secrets," she confessed. "From him nothing is hid, at least so far as may concern the Mortimer family. You have yet to learn the deep subtlety of Peter, Major Lawrence. He sees all things, retains all things, and reveals nothing."

"A discovery already made."

"No, barely glimpsed; no short acquaintance such as yours has been could ever serve to reveal the character of Peter. Since babyhood he has been my monitor and guide, and still he remains to me a silent mystery."

"An old servant?"

"Yes, born to the position, his father serving before him. There is no doubt in my mind but what he knew of this secret passage before Eric and I were born. Not that he has ever confessed as much, yet I am convinced our discovery of it brought no surprise to Peter. What do you suppose his age to be?"

My mind reverted to that expressionless face without a wrinkle in it, to that totally bald head, and my answer was the merest guess.

"Oh, possibly fifty."

"I told you you were far from knowing Peter," she laughed. "He is seventy-two, and, would you believe it, until this war came, was never ten miles from this spot."

"And since?" recalling the events of the night before.

"He has made it his duty to attend me; he has become my shadow. From the humdrum experience of a respectable house servant he has become the very spirit of reckless adventure—he has journeyed to New York, to Trenton, to Philadelphia, to—"

"Night riding with Hessian foragers," I broke in, "disguised in a Ranger's uniform."

"Well, yes," she dimpled quietly, "even that."

I waited for something more, some explanation of what all this concealed.

"You trust me with so much," I ventured, when she continued silent, "it would seem as if you might tell me even more."

"I cannot perceive whereby any further confession would serve you. Yet I have not refused to answer any question surely. It is hardly safe for us to remain here so long, and yet if there be something you wish to ask—"

"You could scarcely expect me to be entirely without curiosity. I have been captured on the highway, brought here a prisoner, and held under guard all night. I supposed myself in British hands, only to discover that you have again intervened to save me. Surely there must be a key to all this mystery. If, as I suspect, it was your brother, Eric, who led the attack on me, having mistaken me for another, then what was his purpose? And what has become of Eric?"

She wrinkled her brows in perplexity, her hands nervously clasping the back of a chair.

"It is like being cross-examined by a lawyer. Perhaps if the secret was all my own I might freely confide it to you. I do not promise I would, but I might. As it is, I do not yet know you quite well enough. I believe you to be Major Lawrence, that you are all you represent yourself, but I am pledged to silence, and the lives of others depend upon my keeping faith. You cannot urge me to do what I deem wrong?"

"No; I shall always believe in you."

"I thank you for that," and her hand was extended frankly; "I would reveal one of the mysteries of last night if I was not fearful it might cost me your respect."

"How could that be possible?"

"Because it might appear to you that I had been unwomanly. My own conscience is clear, for my purpose exonerates me, but this you might fail to understand unless I made fuller explanation than is now possible. I have a duty which cannot be betrayed."

I gazed into her eyes, her hand still in mine, conscious that her cheeks were flushing. It was impossible for me to conceive of her performing an unwomanly action.

"I prefer to ask nothing," I said frankly, "although I should never misconstrue anything you might care to say."

"I think you suspect already, and I should far rather tell you the truth myself than have you learn it in some other way. The lieutenant of Light Dragoons who attacked you last night was not my brother."

"Was not Eric? And yet you knew him?"

"Very well, indeed," her eyes falling, "because it was myself."

(To be continued.)

Manufacture of Texas Cotton Small.

Dallas, Texas.—The Texas Welfare Commission will hold its annual meeting in this city on the 15th day of May. Among other subjects docketed for discussion, is the Fabrication of Cotton into Cloth an dthe Establishment of Cotton Mills. Each member of the commission has been furnished with a copy of the latest census report on manufacturing in Texas which contains interesting information regarding the manufacturing industries of the Lone Star State. The report shows that there are only thirteen establishments in Texas that are engaged in the manufacturing of cotton into a finished product and that the capital invested in this line of industry has increased only 57 per cent during the last five years, while all other industries combined show an increase in capital of 87 per cent during the same period. Texas produces 307 pounds of cotton per capita, per annum, consumes 30 pounds, and manufactures only 7½ pounds per capita. Mr. O. E. Dunlap of Waxahachie, is chairman of the committee which has been conducting an investigation along these lines, Associated with Mr. Dunlap in this work is Mr. Paul Waples of Fort Worth and Mr. Tom Finty of Dallas.

High Water Conditions.

Owing to the high water conditions in Louisiana, railroad traffic has been interrupted in many places, and passengers and shippers hesitate to risk travel and shipment. The following from General Passenger Agent Hunter of the Texas & Pacific road to local agent W. A. Crowder shows the conditions at the present time:

Dallas, Texas, 5-6-'12.

W. A. Crowder, Colorado, Texas.

Press reports indicate we are suffering on account high water conditions Louisiana division situation affects our main line only at Mellville. We are detouring trains via Cheneyville to New Orleans through Lafayette and Avondale entailing only slight delay. In addition we are operating local trains Nos. 55 and 56 between New Oreans and the east bank of the Atchafalya River just east of Melliville and Nos. 50 and 60 between Mellville and Marshall. Please give this to the public and press and ararnge for advertisement in your papers to continue for at least a week or ten days. Advertising that we are open on Louisiana Division for all through traffic both freight and passenger.

GEO. D. HUNTER.

Mr. Bryan has been accussed of many things, many times, but the accusation by the Harmon managers that he is flirting with all the other candidates in the hope that a deadlock may be secured at the Baltimore convention and a stampede whereby he might receive the nomination, is the worst of all. We believe Mr. Bryan is permanently out of the presidential running, and that he realizes it as much as anybody.

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COLORADO, TEXAS, MAY 17, 1912.

District court begins next Monday; have you aranged your fishing trip?

One of the leading merchants of the town told us this week that he was putting out more money in feed stuff than in any other commodity.

If the Federals and rebels down in Mexico don't quit skylarking around so much, they will run foul of each other some night and both sides achieve a great victory—in escaping alive.

Boys, the farm offers you not only the opportunity for success, but at the same time a chance for a freer and happier life. Your ambition to succeed is one of the essentials for success, not only on the farm, but in every vocation of life.—Stone.

After a hotly contested campaign, the prohibitionists carried Bowie county last Saturday by a majority of 236. The city of Texarkana, however, gave a wet majority of 223, as against one of 360 two years ago. The Arkansas side of Texarkana went dry under the three mile law three years ago.

The day of the successful manual farmer is passing. Farming is becoming the vocation of those of trained intellect. The farmer of yesterday will be the day laborer of tomorrow. Will your son be a farmer or a day laborer? It depends upon you.—Stiles.

Why is it that the mail order houses are anxious to secure the very space in the country newspaper that the country merchant says is not worth paying for? The mail order houses know the value of local advertising, and by using the columns of the local papers, secure the very trade the country merchant is trying to get, but will not advertise for it.

The very first principle in town building is to keep the money at home. We dare say if all the money sent out of Mitchell county in the course of one year were spent with one merchant at home, it would give him the best cash business in the county. There's no bookkeeping, no collectors, no accounts, no lawyers' fees, no law suits; but strictly a cash business.

We have long since quit trying to keep tab on the number or personality of the aspirants for congress from the state at large; we hear of a new one every day or so. Texas is a big state, so big in fact, that the two fortunate ones who will be selected to represent the state at large will be wholly unknown, in person or reputation, to thousands of people who will vote for them.

A righteous howl is going up from all the towns effected by the recent ruling of the inter-state commerce commission increasing the freight county had supplied the judge. He are being showered upon congressman Smith to do what he can to prevent the raise. In reply to telegrams sent him, representative Smith wired the following answer: "There is nothing before the interstate commerce commission regarding the change in common point territory in Texas. If the railroads are taking steps to make the change they must file new tariff sheets with the commission. You should forward your protest to be filed by me with the commission."

Two auto loads of Colorado boosters left Thursday afternoon for Soash, where they spent the night and escorted the Roswell delegation back to Colorado Friday morning.

A boy does not like to bother his father for money when he wants a little to spend.—Rhodes.

Most farmers' boys hardly ever have a nickel to spend for anything. They get just barely enough to wear and to eat, and when they are grown, what have they? Still nothing. Is it a wonder that they want to leave the farm?—Rhodes.

It seems that between the electric chair, being a Mormon elder, or being insane, Rev. V. T. Richeson, under sentence of death for the murder of Avis Lewnel, the parson prefers to pass hence under the shame of the first.

If we were asked what was the greatest handicap to farming in West Texas and Mitchell county, we would not hesitate to say it was a lack of raising feed stuff. The feed bill of the family can be cut down in divers ways, but the feed bill for the stock can not.

The man who stakes his all upon the success of one crop has only one chance to win, and if he fails, he has nothing to fall back upon. This is the condition of the man who puts everything in cotton. If he fails, he fails utterly; whereas if he had diversified, had planted a good feed crop and crops that could be consumed by his family or his stock, along with just enough cotton to insure his rent, he wouldn't have to worry about where the next year's feed stuff to make the crop will come from.

Protecting Home Merchants.

The question is frequently raised, when the parcels post is suggested, that the mail order houses would drive local merchants out of business. It seems that the mail order houses depend almost entirely upon what business they can secure by going after it. In other words, they tell the people what they have to offer and the result is the trade. The Richland (La.) Democrat hits the nail squarely on the head when it says:

"One of the most effective ways for local merchants to oppose encroachments of mail order houses is to advertise liberally in their home paper. Too many merchants sleep on their oars while the catalog house comes in and takes a large portion of their trade. They demur at undertaking anything like a thorough system of advertising, contending that the drift to the mail order house is bound to come; and yet they make free complaint over the inroads of the mail order houses into their particular trade. The fact of the matter is, the trade belongs rightfully to them and would come to them, if they were progressive enough in inviting it with good, live advertising."

As the Boy is So the Nation Will Be.

"The farmer's greatest interest is not, as many people think, their hogs, cattle, sheep, horses and broad acres, but it is the physical, intellectual and moral development of their boys and girls. The country child, then, has rights—he is entitled to a square deal in opportunities, to enjoy the best that the civilization of the world has produced. To him should come all the fundamental branches, well taught, and the elements of the science of his father's work."—L. L. Pugh, Harris county school superintendent, in a letter to teachers attempting to give instruction in agriculture.

Balmorehea.—The Toyah Valley Hay Company has completed its 15,000-ton warehouse in this city which will handle Alfalfa exclusively.

Some of the Fruits.

Twice wtihin the space of ten days, once at Dallas and once at Fort Worth, men who were discharged from employment, walked into the office of their former employers and shot them down. Not only were the employers shot but in both cases, innocent bystanders, as well. In the Dallas case, the man had been employed in an automobile warehouse and understanding that his place was to be filled by another man, walked into the building where the foreman and the new man were at work, shot them both with the remark that "they had taken the bread from his mouth." in the Fort Worth case, a railroad yardman had been discharged. He went into the superintendent's office and shot him while sitting at his desk with the same remark. This is undoubtedly, the result of our lax criminal jurisprudence. When a man fears the law so little that he will kill another human being for no greater offense than discharging him, it is indeed time for alarm. In both instances, the employers acted wholly within their rights.

These occurrences show that not only is there alarming laxity in the administration of our criminal laws, but that our economical conditions are in a bad way. The employees regarded the jobs they held as belonging to them without the consent or agreement of the employer; that their discharge meant nothing less than robbery for which the law gave them no redress, and so they took the execution of the law into their own hands. In both cases, if the men die, it will bemurder, pure and unmitigated, and if the killers escape the full penalty of the law, it will embolden every incompetent workman upon his discharge, to take a gun and slay the man whom he holds responsible for the loss of his job. Human life is becoming the cheapest commodity in this country, and the man who waits behind the corner to kill another for some fancied greviance, which was due most likely to his own incompetence, stands a better chance of escaping punishment than he who sells a bottle of whiskey.

These two cases are not isolated ones, by any means; the shooting of Mayor Gaynor of New York was due to the same cause. The man imagined the job belonged to him by individual right and that the mayor had robbed him of his own. The root of the matter lies deeper than the act. The pernicious idea that capital must employ labor on labor's terms; that capital must pay a certain wage to the laborer, whether the business warrants that wage or not; is largely responsible for the resentful attitude of the ex-employee toward his employer. He does not feel that his skill, reliability and industry are commodities that are in demand elsewhere, and that he can secure another job; but that he has been robbed of the only chance he had of making a living and supporting his family. He confesses his inefficiency and inability to cope with his fellows, and in reprisal of his wrongs, he commits crimes that bring upon himself and his family a thousandfold greater calamities than he imagined his dismissal from employment would.

A Relic of Superstition.

The last conquest that the human mind will ever, if ever, make, is the conquest of fear-superstition; for the fear of what we do not understand lies at the root of self preservation. A few years ago a letter alleged to have been written by the Savior went the rounds of the press and every paper had numerous requests by pious persons to publish it that they might have a copy. On a par with that letter is the "chain prayer" that is now flooding the country. Several parties in town have received such chain prayers recently, and for the benefit of those who have not received one, we publish below its full text:

"Don't break the chain. Sign no name or the date. 'Oh Lord Jesus I emplore Thee to bless all mankind and help us to Dwell with Thee eternally.' This prayer was sent to me and it is to be sent all over the world. Copy it and see what happens. It was said in Jesus' time that those who wrote this prayer will be delivered from all calamities, and those who pass it by would meet with misfortunes. Those who copy it within nine days and send it to nine persons, will on the ninth day receive that joy."

The basis of all such is the veriest superstition and has about the same merit as those prayer wheels used by the Chinese. The very people who criticise the Catholics for their belief in "holy water" and sacred services" will devoutly copy these silly chain prayers nine times and try to impose the same task on nine other people. Anyway, the chain was rudely broken—snapped off short, when it struck this office.

A swat in time saves nine.

A Good Word For the Devil.

Amidst the avalanche of comment and denunciation of the conduct of Mr. Ismay at the time of the Titanic disaster, it is refreshing to run across one single word in palliation of his action. The following from the pen of William Ellis, editor of The Searchlight, is a thrust at the very vitals of the question and brings it directly home to the individual:

It is very easy to write scathing denunciations—I do that myself at times in my humble way—but it is not always easy to put yourself in the other follow's place and face the question from his angle and standpoint. So far as Mr. Ismay is concerned I do not hesitate to say, that as for me, if I were on a sinking ship in mid-ocean and my wife and children were at home awaiting my return, I had rather face the anathemas of a universe, justly it might be, and return to that waiting fireside, than through any voluntary heroics of mine impose the sorrows of widowhood and orphanhood upon my own, or deprive myself of the happiness of home that awaited. It is easy to talk and write while safe at home, but in the supreme hour the call of the heart rings out above the storm and stress. Mr. Ismay has his troubles, living or dead, but many of those who are now loudest detractors, might have been most vigorous in their acrobatic stunts toward safety had they been in the midst of danger. Sometimes it takes more bravery to face condemnation than death."

While the press and the public platforms ring with the praises of the men who gave their places to women and children in the face of death, not one single word has been said of that body of engineers deep in the bowels of the ship, who better than the officers of the deck, knew the ship was doomed from the very first. They stood face to face with the inrush of water, yet stayed by their post and kept the pumps and lights going that those on deck might have better chance to escape. Not an engineer on the vessel tried to escape or would leave his duty. They were the real humble heroes of the occasion.

Why Not Raise More Feed?

On Saturday evening after banking hours, we are informed that as many as four parties—farmers—came in to make arrangements to get money with which to buy feed for their stock to make the coming crop. We also understand this is but a sample of what is going on all the time, not only in Mitchell county, but throughout West Texas.

A man may economize in his own food bill, but he must feed his stock well if he expects to work them and make any kind of a crop. Feed is the most important thing in West Texas in farming, yet it is no uncommon sight to see farmers allowing a good feed crop to go to waste in the field while hiring their cotton picked. Feed is the one thing that must be had to make a crop, yet there is less attention given this crop than any other. If all the farmers of Mitchell county had enough feed to carry them oveer till next fall, the bulk of the expense of making the crop would be eliminated.

Considering the expense of producing it, the feed crop including hay, is the most profitable one that the farmer can raise, and it is the most absolutely necessary of all. There is an idea that it is cheaper to allow the feed crop to go and make cotton with which to buy feed for the making of the next crop. Those who have tried this system know its utter fallacy. Feed never was as high as it is now, nor was it ever in greater demand; and yet the landlord will persist in demanding the "pound of flesh" in cotton from the tenant and then have to furnish the tenant money in the spring with which to buy feed. Would it not be the part of wisdom to allow the tenant to raise all the feed he can? It finds as ready market as cotton, and in comparison of expense is much cheaper to produce, therefore more profitable to both landlord and tenant. A blind man can see that the great need of this country is feed stuff for stock. And just so long as it is not raised by the farmers themselves but imported and bought with borrowed money, just so long will farming be unprofitable.

If advertising does not pay, why do the mail order houses do it? They secure the trade of many Mitchell county people every year solely by advertising for it; they would not get a dollar's worth of it if they did not. Yet the majority of the country newspapers turn down the advertisements of the mail order houses even when they offer a higher rate than the local merchant is asked to pay. The local paper had much rather keep the money at home; it had rather see it go to the local merchant, as it would likely pass its way again.

A railroad is being promoted to extend from Austin to Lockhart.

BIG SPRINGS NORMAL

The Big Spring Summer Normal will open for work May 28th and continue in regular session till July 11th, 1912.

The scope of work will include the subjects required for all certificates issued by the State. Special work will be given to Primary Methods, Reading, etc.

Address Superintendent J. W. Dees, Big Spring, Texas, for booklet giving outline of work and other information.

When every farmer in Mitchell county raises enough feed to carry his stock through until the next spring and has a silo on his place so that his stock may have the benefit of green food through the winter months, then will the tyranny of cotton fall to pieces, the farmers live at home instead out of paper sacks on imported goods, the farm home become the most attractive place in the world to the farmers' families and the boys be content to stay on the farms instead of rushing to the congested cities. The farm work will lose its drudgery and become a pleasant occupation. But this condition can never arrive until this country produces what it consumes in the feed stuff lines. This is the first step and most important one toward the emancipation of the farms from the dictatorial rule of cotton.

It is no idle assertion that twenty acres of land, well cultivated with a succession of crops under irrigation, will produce more profit with less work and time than 160 acres cultivated as the majority of Mitchell county farms are cultivated today. There will never come a time again when everything grown on farm or in garden or orchard can not be sold readily. The consumption of the world grows greater every day and more markets are brought to our very doors every year.

Construction work will soon begin on the $40,000 cotton compress at San Benito.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Subject to the action of the Democratic primary in July.

REPRESENTATIVE 121st DISTRICT
Counties of Fisher, Nolan and Mitchell
JNO. W. WOODS.
of Fisher County.
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of Nolan County.

DISTRICT JUDGE.
JAMES L. SHEPHERD.
W. W. BEALL.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY.
W. P. LESLIE
W. W. KIRK.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE.
J. J. PATTERSON.
A. J. COE (re-election).

FOR SHERIFF.
G. B. COUGHRAN, (re-election).
A. W. COOKSEY.

FOR DISTRICT AND COUNTY CLERK
EARL JACKSON.
C. B. HOOPER.
W. W. PORTER.

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY.
T. J. COFFEE.
JNO. R. SIMS.

COUNTY TREASURER
SAMUEL GUSTINE.
A. J. CULPEPPER.
J. E. STOWE.
W. S. JUSTICE.

FOR COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR.
R. E. CALLOWAY.
JACK SMITH (re-election).

Public Weigher Precinct No. 1.
E. M. McCRELESS.
W. F. CRAWFORD.
WATT COLLIER.

JUSTICE OF PEACE, PRECINCT 1.
FRED MEYER (re-election).
MIKE RATLIFF,

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 1.
U. D. WULFJEN, (re-election).

COMMISSIONER PRECINCT NO. 2.
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It's as fine as anything that runs on wheels—coaches, chair cars, electric lighted sleepers, and dining cars under the direct management of the railway. It runs via Katy all-the-way.
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Hesperian Club.

The club met Friday with Mrs. Hart and hold a most pleasant meeting. Mrs. Shipman, Miss Dupree, Miss Colquitt, Mrs. McGhee and Mrs. Robinson were guests of the culb. Roll call was, A Note from the Current Reading on Rome. Mrs. Shepherd had a splendid paper, What the year 1870 has done for Italy. Miss Stoneroad's Notes from a Present Day Tourist's Diary, was most interesting. The debate, Resolved that women should be given the right of the ballot, with Mrs. Payne on the affirmative and Mrs. Doss on the negative, was represented only by Mrs. Doss who had some good arguments on the negative side of the question. Mrs. Shipman, who has been hearing woman's rights discussed in Arizona, made a splendid impromptu talk in their favor. Miss Colquitt, who was a member of Simmons College Glee Club, sang beautifully. She is a friend of Miss Mable Ratliff. Mrs. McGhee gave two delightful readings, both of these extra numbers being very much enjoyed. Then Mrs. Ratliff in a witty little verse presented the president with a little shower of hose supporters from the club and Mrs. Doss gave the club's outgoing secretary, Mrs. Hart, a dainty basket filled with personal belongings. The club's gift of love to her for her good work during the year.

A delicious refreshment course was served during the social hour, after which adjournment was made.

They Can Vote.

It now seems that it was all a mistake about those who had not paid their city poll tax being disfranchised. Some of the candidates whose vote would likely be cut down under such a ruling, have looked into the matter, and now it appears to have been a tempest in a teapot.

It is true, however, that ALL poll taxes must be paid to qualify one to vote in all elections, but no poll tax has been levied by the City of Colorado since 1907, and the tax must be levied every year. This will be quite a relief to those who neglected or refused to pay their poll tax; but the fellow who paid his when it was not necessary feels like he had been flimflammed.

Negroes Warned From Clovis.

Clovis, N. M., May 12.—Fifty mounted men, representing themselves to be citizens of Texico, a village nine miles from here, today surrounded the negro quarter in Clovis and warned the inhabitants to leave within three days, because they declared, persons of questionable character were being harbored. The riders disappeared on the approach of a sheriff's posse, which guaranteed protection.

Be Happy!

Happy the girl, or woman, who has never suffered from any of the diseases of womanhood! Or, if she has been a sufferer, happy is she if she has learned of the wonderful benefits of Cardui, the woman's tonic!

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Write to: Ladies' Advisory Dept., Chattanooga Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn. for *Special Instructions*, and 64-page book, "Home Treatment for Women," sent free. J 56

Coaches Help Baylor Tennis Players.

Waco, May 13.—In the annual tennis tournament held here last week Wilson and Bunkley, representing the senior class, won first place with Prof. Edwards and Grantham as close seconds for the faculty.

The two teams winning highest places are awarded a "B" by the Athletic Council, and as the rules of the association do not permit the faculty to wear the letter, McBride and Phenix, the third strongest team, were substituted for the faculty members.

These four men will represent Baylor in the intercollegiate tennis meet which will be held at College Station Tuesday. In the doubles Wilson and Bunkley are probably the strongest pair ever representing the Baptists, the latter's serves have been a terror to all opponents in his three years of college tennis. Wilson, although not so well known in the circuit, hails from Plainview College, where he assisted in bringing his college the honors of West Texas.

McBride will be in the singles. No one on the courts has eper shown any such form as he possesses. Everyone is expecting him to bring the single honors to Waco with all ease.

Phenix is regarded as the utility. He is a good player in either the singles or doubles.

A decided impetus was given tennis this season by having two star players in the faculty. At Leland Stanford Prof. Edwards assisted his team in winning a state championship, while Prof. Grantham has represented Wake Forest and Oxford Colleges in tournaments. Many improvements have been made at Minglewood Park, another court added and a small stand erected for the spectators.

To Furnish Planters Seed.

Baton Rouge, La.—The Louisiana state legislature, which is in session despite the floods, has been discussing the formation of plans by which free seed could be furnished to the planters, whose lands have been overflowed by the Mississippi.

The legislature also proposes to postpone this year's taxes until next year, at which time the farmers can possibly pay them more easily.

Corpus Christi.—The Commercial Secretaries of the Gulf Coast territory are planning to effect an organization to promote the advantages of that section of the state.

Bronson.—The Knox Lumber Company has started construction work on its steam line to extend from Broadus to Hemphill via Bronson a distance of twenty-five miles. It is reported a new mill will be erected at Hemphill, which is in the heart of a great lumber district.

Farmers in the vicinity of Columbus are badly in need of laborers to assist in harvesting the enormous crops.

West Texas Rich in Minerals.

That the hills and mountains of West Texas are rich in minerals is a fact that has been known and appreciated for years by every one except the average individual who is selected by his constituents as a proper man to assist in making Texas laws. The hills and mountains of West Texas are just as rich in minerals as those of Mexico, Arizona, New Mexico and Colorado, for they are but the continuation of the same geological formations. That these hills and mountains of West Texas are rich in minerals is amply proven by the mining industry already established on a minor scale, and the further fact that new mineral discoveries are constantly being made in much of this West Texas territory. That such discoveries are constantly being made by men who profess but limited knowledge as prospectors is a fact that goes to show what would be possible under capable or expert effort that would follow conditions favorable for such development, and this brings the proposition back to the men who are responsible for the existing land and mining laws of Texas, which are holding all such development in restraint.

It is peculiarly exasperating to a loyal citizen of Texas to witness the immense mining development that is in progress in all the territory that surrounds this city for hundreds of miles in every direction with the single exception of West Texas. The Texas state line is a deadner for all mining development, and when the prospector looks over among the Texas hills and mountains and realizes in his heart that there are promising mines to be located in that territory and that will perhaps build up flourishing cities and towns in their respective localities, he perforce must shake his head and turn back in the direction from which he came, with the sorrowful realization in his heart that the lawmakers of Texas have in their selfishness, ignorance and lack of comprehension erected barriers that are as yet insurmountable, and Texas mine development must await the coming of the day when the people of the state shall choose as lawmakers those who are big enough and broad enough to understand just how one of the greatest and most important industries of the state has been so effectually throttled.

Texas is a big state—a state of varied and wonderful resources and a state that is as yet in the very infancy of its development in many important essentials. It is one of the misfortunes of the state that it is so large that the bulk of its population know but little of real conditions in West Texas. Speak of West Texas even to the average member of the state lgislature and he can see nothing but visions of departing cattle ranges and development of white cotton fields. That there is a rich mineral district in the state of almost virgin pristineness waiting for the magic of the legislative word that will unlock all of its hidden riches and prove the greatest factor possible in progress and development, never once enters into his imagination. Our hills and mountains are as promising with mineral riches as are the hills and mountains of Arizona.—El Paso Times.

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Trade With Home Merchants.

We make our town just what it is, no one helps us. We should strive to make it the very best town in the state according to its opportunities. Do we do this? We should have every confidence in our town and show that confidence by always, in season and out of season, speaking a good word for it. We may all do this, but while talk helps, it does not go quite far enough. We must evince our faith and confidence by deeds—by patronizing every business and industry in it in preference to any other town. This is the only way we can make our home enterprises able to successfully compete with others.

Do we buy all we wear in Colorado; Our merchants are reliable; we know them and know also that they stand ready to make good any defect or accident. Do the foreign houses do this? Not much; you must take just what you get with no redress. Our merchants' prices are as good as any in the state and oftentimes cheaper. You may say you can not get what you want here; that the home merchant does not carry it in stock. That is poor argument. If our merchants happen not to have it they can get it for you cheaper and quicker than you can get it yourself.

The next time you call for something the home mercahnt does not keep, instead of sending your money out of town for it, let the home merchant order it for you, and you will find you can get it for less than if you ordered it yourself. If everybody in Colorado and the country around would give preference to the home merchant in every dollar's worth they spend, this money would be kept at home and find its way back to the very people who spend it. It would enable the home merchant to contribute more liberally to the building of every school house, church and destitute family. The amount of money sent out of Mitchell county every year, if kept at home by trading with home merchants, would help every individual and business enterprise in the county.

The home merchants are the first ones called upon to contribute to every cry of distress; to help build every school house in the county, every church, and all the other things that depend on donations. They deserve your patronage, and even though they should have to charge you a trifle more than the foreign houses for something you buy, it is more than made up in the numerous contributions they make to public charities and to the public good. Give the home man you preference in every dollar you spend. You will get it back in pay for either your services or for something you have to sell. But when it is sent to Chicago, Kansas City or other markets, there is not the slightest chance that it will ever find its way to Mitchell county again.

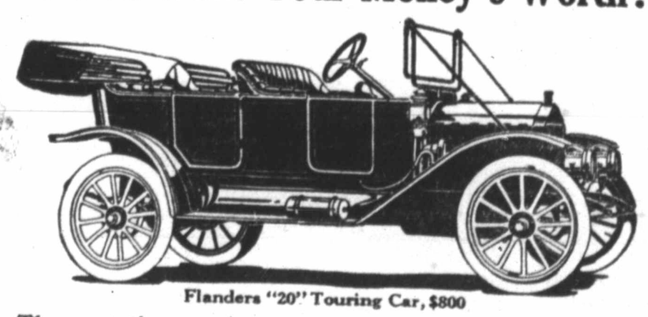
Only Fifty-Four per cent Can Vote.

The census of 1910 gave Texas a total population of 3,896,542, of whom there were 1,005,357 males over the age of twenty-one. Yet, the poll tax receipts show that only 548,641 are entitled to vote. This is slightly in excess of 54 per cent of the voting population, or 14 per cent of the state's total population. This is not so good a showing as is given for the United States as a whole. The total voting population of Uncle Sam's entire domain is given at 26,999,151, or 29.4 per cent of the total population. The color and nativity of the males in Texas over the age of twenty-one, is as follows: Native born white, 723,810; foreign born white, 112,168; negroes, 166,398. All others, 981.

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OUR MITCHELL COUNTY NEWS LETTERS

FAIRVIEW FANCIES.

We had two local showers on the 6th and 7th.

Our Sunday school took another rest Sunday. All went to Colorado to the Singing Convention.

Master Charles Blandford was visiting his uncle, John McMurry this week.

The fruit crop will be very small this year.

Bro. Cot from Ira was hunting for hidden treasures in this locality this week.

The ice cream supper at Corlis Jenkins' on the 8th was a success. A large crowd, plenty of cream and lots of good music.

W. E. Berry and son, Chester, made a business trip to Colorado Friday.

Fishing is still good. Went again Monday and caught all we wanted and put some in the tank for future use.

Real estate took another rise on the 10th, thirty points. Some think it was the candidates, there were so many of them on the road that day. The wind was bad enough but the wind from the candidates was enough to raise a cyclone.

Chester Berry and wife were visiting Roy Cowan on Lasky's ranch last Monday.

I think we can now hurrah for spring. It has come to stay and the spring fever will soon be here. But it is not the kind that makes me want to sleep in the sun. That variety puts springs in my heels and joy in my heart. In my imagination I am a small plow boy again, away back in old England long years ago, as we used to turn the sweet odored earth and listen to the singing birds all around me, my old soul is made glad. No wonder poets have ever painted their paradises as being one eternal spring, and where artists caught the spirit of the green hills and blooming vales of spring time with their brushes and transfered them to canvas. This is the season of the year that all life is in its glory. It is the time that the youthful and bashful "Johnnies" like to go with their "Mary Janes" down to the bank of the purling brook and get his palpitating heart in tune with his surroundings so that he can pour out his inward longings to his only sweetheart. It is the time when Sunday school and picnic parties go forth to dine on stale crackers, cold frog legs, horned frogs and red ants and get bit by chiggers.

How do I know it's spring time.

Because the Misses Mills' hats have blossomed,
And Adam's spring dresses have come in.
The crop of candidates
Is big enough to thin.

The old cow has gone to shedding.
And the calf is big enough to wean;
And over on Lone Wolf Mountain
The trees are getting green.

Our folks are planting taters,
Tom-a-toes and peas,
And the smell of frying fish
Is wafted on the breeze.

The spring fever is bound to get you,
But when you don't feel right,
Just take a pint of Doss' Bitters—
It will fix you up all right.

—RAMBLER.

CUTHBERT CULLINGS.

The Cuthbert school closed last Friday. Womack's school came up and all went to the river. Lemonade was made and all greatly enjoyed themselves.

In the afternoon a game of baseball was played between the schools. The sides tied, the score being 9-9.

D. T. Bozeman went to Colorado last week to attend the democratic convention.

Several candidates came out Friday evening and had a lively time speaking at the school house. A large crowd was present.

A number of farmers have their cotton up and are about ready for chopping.

SI SLOCUM.

WINSTON WARBLINGS.

We farmers have been blessed with a nice rain lately and it was sure appreciated.

Mr. Art Davis and family visited Mr. Pylant and family Sunday.

Mr. Lenard Fargarson and family visited Mr. Kemp Hilderbrand's family.

Mrs. E. J. Leggott and Miss Annie and Dora Mahoney were in Colorado Tuesday on buiness and enjoyed a nice dinner and few hours rest with Mrs. Basheers and Miss Kidd of that place.

On account of the sand and wind being so disagreeable the closing of the school Friday was not very well attended.

Miss Blanche Wemken visited the Mahoney home Saturday. Call again, Miss Wemken.

Parties through the neighborhood were reported fine.

Some few of the farmers went to Loraine Saturday to hear the candidates speak.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Kuck visited home folks at Hermleigh Sunday.

Mrs. G. W. Wemken and little son Edgar, visited her parents Sunday.

Mr. Kennedy and son Loyd, were in Loraine Saturday.

The road hands are sure doing a fine and complete job of work on the Hermleigh and Loraine road out from Loraine, and will add much to the benefit of the farmers and especially the auto drivers.

Mr. Charlie Brannon visited Mr. Carl Cole.

Miss Marchie Norrell visited Miss Myrtle Beights.

Mrs. Joe Griffin visited Mrs. C. W. Norman.

SUNSHINE.

UNION CHAPEL CHAT.

The disastrous sand storm last week was very calamitous to most of the farmers as it left complete ruin to some of the crops in its wake, but methinks they have decided to try the old rule, "If at first you don't succeed, try, try again."

Services were largely attended Sunday morning and night and two excellent sermons were preached by Bro. Piercy.

Mr. Adams of the Champion community attended services here Sunday.

Several of the Chapelites went over to the concert last Thursday night at Zellner and reported a pleasant time.

Misses Cary Mahon and Annie Pickens visited Miss Nola Muns Sunday and in the afternoon went to the singing at Valley View. Of course those girls had a good time.

Misses Dillie and Minta Finley, Opal Templeton and Eva Terry spent the day at Mr. Bennett's last Wednesday and a most enjoyable time was reported.

Messrs Ernest Meadows and Walker Flippo went to the singing at Zellner Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Palmer is on the sick list this week and it is feared he has blood poison.

Misses Maud Richardson and Edna Britton and Messrs Harley Britton and Warner Mearse were seen driving on the Chapel streets Sunday.

Miss Annie Gregg's school closed last Friday with a picnic on the creek and as their studying days are over for quite awhile, the boys and girls were given their liberty. Each little boy had his choice among the girls and it seemed as though Cupid himself had winged his way to the picnic grounds for a mere vacation, and no doubt the fair sex, whose escorts couldn't find courage enough to propose, took advantage of the opportunity afforded them by proposing. Some one overheard a conversation between one of the courageous couples. The little lady, not knowing there were eavesdroppers, exclaimed to her beau, "I am going to marry you when I get older," but the intruder didn't report how serious the boy was about the matter. But to make a long story short, just before dinner an approaching redness in the northern horizon foretold much sand for dinner but the trees were so thick they were not very badly disturbed. Some of the little folks discovered their internal capacity for the good things was limited and with regret they left the dinner to seek other pleasures.

BROWN-EYED LASS.

LORAINE LOCALS

"Men may come and men may go."
Sandstorms may come and sand storms may go.
Rains may come and rains may go.
But that marble game is going all the time.

Mrs. G. W. Long has been on the sick roll this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Gary left last Sunday for Reagan, Texas, where they will make their future home.

W. W. Porter of Colorado was here Tuesday campaigning.

Judge Eidson of Sweetwater was here Saturday and at the close of Beall's speech was introduced to the audience and spoke in the interest of his candidacy. He said of his two opponents, that one was a novice, while the other didn't know much about law. His discourse was, to say the least, good humored.

Earl Jackson of Colorado visited the home folks last Saturday and also took advantage of Beall's audience to announce his aspirations.

We noticed Andrew Cooksey here last Saturday. He seemed to be getting matters down to a conversation with several of our citizens.

Sheriff G. B. Coughran was here for a few hours last Saturday and spent the day here Monday. It was suggested that he move here and locate in a good town.

Robert Hathcox of Kansas City was here last Monday. He is visiting his parents in Colorado for a few weeks.

Mrs. Harry Hall left Monday for Midland where she will visit with relatives for a few days.

Baptist meeting will begin on Friday before the third Sunday in August. Keep this date fixed in mind and arrange to attend regularly and take an active part in the services. The pastor will be assisted in the meeting by another minister, whose name will be announced at a later date.

Dr. W. R. Lindley of Colorado spent Saturday here the guest of his daughter, Mrs. J. A. Sadler.

Agent Knott of the T. & P. has received advices that every Sunday will be a special bargain day on the T. & P. Round trip tickets will be sold at one fare plus 10 cents. The minimum fare to be 50 cents. There is liable to be some Sunday rushes.

Norman Hancock, of Haskell, representing a northern clothing house spent the day here Tuesday. He says he has been in every state in the U. S. and every town of importance, and prefers Texas to them all.

Mesdames J. E. Stowe and Hubert Toler leave in a few days for Grapeland where they will visit relatives.

Dr. T. A. Martin and family will return about June 1. He has advised parties here to that effect and requested that his home be vacated for him by that time.

Dr. W. H. Henthorn, who has been occupying the Martin home, will move into the A. K. Hall residence.

Mrs. Alon K. Hall returned to her home in Matador this week after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. McRae of this place.

Misses Opal Templeton and Eva Terry are visiting Mrs. McGhee in the country this week.

Messrs Ruck Standifer, S. D. Dunnahoo, M. D. Cranfill, V. D. Payne, Hubert Toler and A. C. Pratt are fishing on the Colorado river this week. We expect the fish market to be flooded on their return.

C. B. Reeder passed up Westbrook last Sunday and spent the day at South Champion.

Mrs. W. E. Wade and Miss Willa McCarty were visitors here from Roscoe last Monday.

Mr. R. F. Terry of Colorado visited her daughter, Miss Eva, here last Monday.

Mrs. M. D. Cranfill entertained the Philomath club with a luncheon in the park yesterday (Friday).

T. A. Millner of Abilene was a business visitor here last Monday.

Misses Oma and Annie Gregg leave tonight for Valley Mills where they will visit relatives.

The North Champion school closed last Friday, and a picnic and basket dinner was given. Many from here attended and several candidates were on hand to press their claims. Miss Annie Gregg taught this school last term with credit to herself and satisfaction to the patrons and pupils.

Miss Oma Gregg has closed her school at Mesquite and returned home for the summer. She reports a very satisfactory term.

F. M. Coleman of Sweetwater spent the day here Tuesday greeting his friends.

J. A. Summers and wife returned last Sunday from Bridgeport, Texas. They say West Texas is good enough for them and they are back to stay.

A child's white cloak was left in the depot here on the night of April 22nd by a party who left on train No. 3. Same can be had by calling at News office and paying for this notice.

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Business on the Farm.

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The fact that gambling in farm products is permitted and middlemen sustained, who are not needed in economic distribution, is no credit to those who produce the food and raiment of this nation. It shows that farmers have been so busy in production that they have not kept up with the evolution of economic distribution.

Now that competition is keen, farms failing in yield and the standard of living on farms rapidly rising, we may expect that more business will be used in selling and more discretion employed in buying. This will be inevitable; the law of natural selection will hold true in farming as it has in other occupations. Those who read and study their business will prosper, the inefficient must seek other employment. The consumer will, as a matter of self-protection, meet the producer in saving the cost of marketing, with the result that middlemen not necessary in distribution will find other and greener fields.

The blame for our wasteful system of marketing is largely on the producer who has not kept abreast of the times and who has not taken the pains to inform himself on business methods. When the producer realizes this, as we believe he is now beginning to do, our inadequate system of distribution will be changed.—Farm and Ranch.

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U. D. C. Meeting.

One of the most delightful meetings the Daughters of the Confederacy have ever held was Monday at the home of Mrs. Gary. There were twenty-three Daughters and guests present and every minute was one of pleasure. The answer to roll call was, Tell Something of the High Prices that Prevailed During the War. A great deal of business came up. Application blanks for crosses of honor had been received; also list of veterans' names from Loraine. These will be mailed out at once and it is hoped to present these crosses at the Reagan meeting. Then arrangements were made for Decoration Day, which will be observed this year upon the 30th of May at the Tabernacle at 4 p. m. Committees were appointed as follows: Decoration, Mesdames Whipkey, Reese, Annis, Misses Dupree and Terrell; Conveyance, Mesdames Snyder, Crockett and Beall. Program, Miss Dry, Mrs. Looney, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. W. L. Doss. Children and decorating graves, Mrs. Merritt, John Doss and Gary. Petition, Mrs. Shepherd, Allen and Miss Dry.

It was decided to ask all the lodges to which ladies belong to join with us in making this day a success.

Very few on the program were present or prepared, but Miss Jo Dry gave two beautiful reading, the Blue and the Gray and the Southern Girl, and Miss Ewell Gary played very sweetly, Dixie Land and as an encore the Shepherd Lad. Then the chapter adjourned and the hostess and her two girls served the most delicious refreshments imaginable. There were presed turkey, salmon croquettes, bread and butter and lettuce sandwiches, jelly, pickles, eggs and iced tea or hot coffee and mints, all so bountifully served that the ladies began sympathizing with the folks at home knowing their chances for supper were very small. The guests present were Mesdames T. J. Payne, A. L. Whipkey, C. C. Blandford, C. H. Earnest and the associte member, Mrs. W. V. Johnson, and they as well as the members thoroughly enjoyed the affair. A call meeting will be held the 27th with Mrs. John Doss and the regular June meeting with Mrs. Haley.

Mrs. Norris Makes Statement Regarding Husband.

Mrs. Norris makes the following statement: My husband bought a bottle of Hunt's Lightning Oil for Rheumatism. He has been bothered for over two years. It has done him a great deal of good and he thinks it will cure him. Mrs. Mollie Norris, Colbert, Okla. There is nothing better for Rheumatism, Neuralgia and the like.

Daughters of the King.

The regular monthly meeting of the class was held with Mrs. Cromer Thursday with ten members present. The usual pleasant meeting was held and quite a lot of business transacted. No lesson was held in the Study Course as the leader, Mrs. Merritt, was sick. The hostess served a lovely two course luncheon of the most appetizing dainties. The meeting this week is with Mrs. McCall.

Some Fish.

The story was circulated last Saturday that a cerain locally famous fisherman had caught a catfish out of the Colorado river, near Mr. Con Harness' residence that weighed the rise of 47 pounds. We hunted for the man who had caught this fish all day, but were never able to get any nearer than "So-and-so said he did." We began to sprinkle a little salt on the tale of this 47-pound fish before taking it, when a by-standing disciple of Isaac Walton said that forty-seven pounds was nothing to some he had caught. Interrogated on this point he averred that he had SEEN fish weighing sixty pounds caught, not only in the Colorado River, but in Morgan creek, and the sign wasn't right for fishing, either. But it is a fact that fishing is better in the river now than it has been for some years past, due to the last high waters.

Six inches of rain accompanied by a terrific hail and wind, fell along the Mississippi river at Baton Rouge to the gulf last Saturday night, adding to the alarming condition already existing in that section. The water from the river at New Orleans, was blown over the levees and mingling with the deluge of rain covered the streets over a large area to a depth of from 8 inches to two feet. The government engineers thing if the levees there can to stand the pressure of the water from the river until it passes out into the gulf.

The only fly that is immune from sudden death is the fly without lower extremities.

Cook County will receive bids until May 8th, for constructing 35 miles of gravel roads.

POPULAR ELECTION BILL TO BE PASSED

House Will Accept Senate Amendment On Direct Election of Senator's Resolution.

Washington, May 11.—Representative W. W. Rucker of Missouri, chairman of the house committee on election of President, Vice President and representatives in congress, said today that Monday he will call up in the house and that the house will then pass the amendment to the federal constitution providing for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. The house will approve the resolution as it was amended by the senate and thus the last step within the power of congress will have been taken to bring about this reform. The amendment, if approved by three-fourths of the states, will become a part of the organic law of the land.

Notice of Sheriff's Sale.
(Real Estate.)

By virtue of an order of sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Mitchell County, on the 8th day of May A. D., 1912, in the case of Burton-Lingo Company versus R. D. Dennis et al, No. 1321, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 8th day of May A. D., 1912, and, will, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M., and 4 o'clock P. M., on the first Tuesday in June A. D., 1912, it being the 4th day of said month, at the Court House door of said Mitchell County, in the city of Colorado, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which R. D. Dennis, A. J. Smith, F. M. Burns, Brooks Bell, Burns & Bell, P. C. Bedford and J. H. Bedford or any of them had on the 12th day of February A. D. 1907, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following property, to-wit: One and one-half (1½) acres out of the N. W. corner of Sec. Fifteen (15) Block Twenty-six (26) Cert. 2-1360 T. & P. Ry. Co. surveys in Mitchell County, Texas, about 5½ miles northeast from the Courthouse, together with all improvements thereon, being the same land conveyed by A. J. Hagler et ux to R. D. Dennis et al on May 18, 1907, by deed recorded in Vol. 25, p. 182, Deed Records of Mitchell County, to which said deed reference is here made, as well as to said decree for a description of said property by metes and bounds, same being generally known as the Buford Gin Property, said property being levied on as the property of R. D. Dennis, to satisfy a judgment amounting to $1691.32, in favor of Burton-Lingo Co., with 10 per cent interest from Dec. 21, 1911, and costs of suit.

Given under my hand, this 8th day of May, A. D. 1912.

G. B. COUGHRAN, Sheriff,
Mitchell County, Texas.
By Preston Scott, Deputy. 5-24c

Smith Urges Formal Protest.

Washington, May 11.—Representative Smith of Texas today lodged a protest with the Interstate Commerce Commission against the proposal of the Southwestern lines to move the common point territory 100 miles eastward. Mr. Smith found that the proposed tariff has not yet been filed with the commission, but he will keep tab on the situation. He has urged his constituents in the affected territory to file a formal protest.

A movement is on foot to establish a fly creamery in New York City.

It is estimated there will be 18,000 tons of Alfalfa, valued at $282,000 raised in El Paso county this year.

A Rare Bargain in Real Estate.

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Dr. Pierce, founder of the Invalids' Hotel at Buffalo, N.Y., has received many letters similar to the following:



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MR. FRED R. MUNRO, of Paradise, N. S., writes: "I take great pleasure in writing you as regards my case and its cure. In September I was taken with *Typhoid Fever*, which put me in a dreadful condition. I was *weak, run down, nervous and was reduced to a mere skeleton.* I had tried most everything I could get but nothing did me any good until, at last, I was advised to try Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, and 'Pleasant Pellets,' which I did. Before I had used one bottle I saw a great improvement and when I had used this treatment two months, using only a few vials of 'Pleasant Pellets,' I returned to perfect health. I cannot find words to express my thankfulness for this wonderful medicine. I advise all sufferers to write to Dr. R. V. Pierce, as he cures when others fail."

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By H. M. Cottrell.

I believe that it will pay every farmer in West Texas to plant this year five acres of Spanish peanuts for feed.

The Spanish peanut is a profitable feed for work horses, beef and dairy cattle, hogs, sheep and poultry. It has special value for brood sows while suckling pigs, pigs after weaning, fattening hogs that are fed heavily with corn, kaffir or milo, and dairy cows.

In the Texas Panhandle, in 1910, the driest year since the country has been settled, a stockman pastured a large acreage of ripe peanuts with hogs and made a gain on the hogs of 1,023 pounds for each acre planted.

It was unusually dry in 1911 in Oklahoma, yet a feeder fattened 200 hogs on 35 acres of ripe peanuts, with only two weeks finishing on corn. His hogs topped the market.

At the Arkansas Experiment station hogs pastured on ripe peanuts made a gain of 1,252 pounds from each acre, while other hogs made a gain of 436 pounds per acre of corn.

At the Texas experiment station it required less than three pounds of peanuts for each pound of gain on pigs that weighed 40 to 50 pounds at the start.

Dr. W. E. Taylor reported that at Moline, Ill., a purebred dairy herd was fed ensilage and a mixture of grains that secured a high milk yield. All the grain was taken away and hay from the whole plant, vines and nuts, fed in its place. The milk yield increased 12½ per cent.

In every section it has been found to be one of the strongest milk-forcing feeds.

We have made an extensive investigation for two years of the growing of Spanish peanuts for feed and find that wherever they have been tried, they have thrived well from Louisiana to Southern Michigan, and from Tennessee to Eastern Colorado and Eastern New Mexico.

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The Spanish peanut is one of the best drouth resisting plants. It waits for rain. In 1911, in Illinois and in Oklahoma it stood green and fresh for 45 days without any rain and under intense hot weather. After rains finally came, it grew rapidly and made a good yield—40 bushels an acre in Oklahoma. It stood still 60 days waiting for rain in New Mexico, and then grew and made a fair yield.

It yields well under a good rainfall. The better the rainfall, the larger the crop, if the land is well drained. In Louisiana, 100 bushels an acre have been raised under favorable rainfall, and in Arkansas from 95 to 172 bushels an acre have been produced.

It will give a profitable yield on almost any land except that which is wet or sour. It prefers a soil strong in lime. It gives a fair yield on land too poor to raise corn and a heavy yield on fertile soils. Like alfalfa, clover and cowpeas, it enriches the soil on which it grows.

The wohle plant, vines and nuts, cured together, is one of our richest feeds, containing over 18 per cent of protein, over 21 per cent of fat and 6 per cent of mineral matter. It is appetizing to all kinds of farm animals and laxative like alfalfa hay, and good pasture.

It is easy to raise. Farmers like to handle it and usually increase their acreage after a first trial.

W. R. Beattie, the peanut expert of the U. S. department of agriculture, has published an analysis of peanuts and other foods.

These analyses show the peanut kernel has 72 per cent more protein, the great milk-forcing nutrient, than bran, and 189 per cent more protein than corn meal. The peanut kernel contains 16½ times as much fat as bran and 11 times as much fat as corn meal.

The whole peanut plant contains 2½ times as much protein as timothy hay and 43 per cent as much protein as clover hay. It contains nearly 10 times as much fat as clover hay, and nearly 11 times as much fat as timothy hay.

Feeding tests confirm the analyses in showing the great value of the peanut as a dairy food.

We think after our extensive investigations covering nearly a third of the tillable area of the United states, that as soon as the merits of the Spanish peanut as a feed crop are generally known, every livestock farmer in Kansas and Oklahoma will regularly raise from 10 to 25 acres. We want the careful farmers to each plant five acres this spring and give the crop a thorough feed test.

The Spanish peanut is the variety planted for feed. It has a small pod. The stems grow upright, making it easy to harvest them for hay. The base of the plant is thickly clustered with pods and they cling well to the vine in harvesting. This is a great advantage. The Spanish variety is particularly adapted as a second crop in the rain belt and is the variety usually planted under dry-farming conditions. Under favorable conditions it will mature in 90 days from planting, while the larger peanut requires 30 to 40 days longer. This trait is of particular value on dry lands, as when the crop is held back several weeks by drouth, it will fill out and mature quickly after the first rains fall.

The large podded kind sold in grocery and candy stores is the Virginia and does not give satisfaction when grown for feed.

It is of vital importance to plant seed adapted to the climate of the field where the crop is to be grown. Seed grown in the South with a long warm season and 45 to 60 inches of rainfall, cannot produce the best yields in dry-farming sections, where the rainfall is 13 to 22 inches, nor in the North where the season is short. Yet, many people buy peanut seed without knowing where it was raised and condemn the plant as not adapted to their localities because the crop was a failure.

Kansas and Oklahoma growers should plant Oklahoma or Texas-grown seed, preferably than grown under dry-farming conditions.

Prepare the ground just as you would if you intended to plant it in corn and secure a large crop. The peanut needs thorough cultivation throughout the season, and it pays to get the land in good tilth before planting. Ground free from weeds or grass is cheaper to cultivate. In the dry farming sections, peanuts are frequently planted shallow with a lister. In such cases fall plowing and harrowing and thorough working in the spring give the needed thorough preparation. Double listing sometime pays, the first listing being done in the fall or early spring.

Peanuts should be planted a little later than corn. The ground should be thoroughly warm before planting to secure quick germination. The seed should be soaked 36 to 48 hours before planting and planted without drying.

Spanish peanuts are planted in rows 3 feet apart, single pods soaked and unshelled being dropped 12 to 14 inches apart in the row. Surface planting is practiced, also planting with a lister.

Where a large acreage is planted special peanut planters are used. With a small acreage the planting is done with a corn drill or a lister, taking blank plates and having them bored to fit the seed and the desired distance. The soaked seed must be planted in moist soil. When planted in dry soil, the soil absorbs the moisture and the seed is ruined. One bushel of seed in the shell will plant an acre of Spanish peanuts at the distance mentioned.

Well matured seed, unshelled, soaked 36 to 48 hours before planting, planted without being allowed to dry in well prepared moist soil, usually secures a good stand. Last year shelled seed produced much poorer stands than seed planted in the pod. Shelled Spanish peanuts should never be planted.

The peanuts need frequent shallow cultivation. The cultivation should begin as soon as the rows can be followed and should be continued at frequent intervals to the time of blossoming. After the pods begin to form, the vines should not be disturbed. Any cultivator suitable for the cultivation of corn is suitable for the cultivation of peanuts.

Good judgment is required to harvest the peanut, as all the nuts do not ripen at the same time.

If digging is started too early many of the peanuts will be unripe and if it is put off too long, the first ripened nuts are likely to have started to grow. The digging should be done at the time the greatest yield of peanuts can be secured.

The cheapest way to harvest peanuts is to cut and cure the hay the same as alfalfa and then turn the hogs into the field to gather the nuts. In some places a one-horse plow or a two-horse plow with moldboard removed, is used to lift the vines. This is followed by a gang of laborers, who shake the plants free from the soil and throw them in bunches, afterwards gathering the bunches together in larger cocks for curing.

In Oklohoma some of the growers have used a two-horse potato digger, the kind that life the vines and pods. Afterwards the peanuts are cured in cocks the same as alfalfa.

W. R. Beattie, the peanut expert of the U. S. department of agriculture, recommends the use of the regular potato digger. This machine, with three horses and one man, can dig from eight to twelve acres a day. The digger removes the plants from the ground, shakes off the soil and leaves the vines lying loosely on the surface with the loss of hardly a pod. The peanuts have to be bunched and shocked by hand.

There are three kinds of peanut hay. The hay made as alfalfa or clover, the hay when the entire plant is harvested and the nuts have been removed with a thresher, and the hay where the entire plant, vines and nuts, is cured for forage.

Peanut fed pork has a more delicious flavor than pork produced by any other feed, but it is too soft and oily to suit the markets and packers are emphatic in stating that they do not want hogs finished on peanuts alone. After hogs have been fattened on peanuts the flesh may be made as firm as that of corn fattened hogs, if corn is fed for two to three weeks exclusively. Large feeders of peanuts of corn while the hogs are on the peanuts, followed with two to three advise giving one-fourth of a ration weeks' feeding of corn without any peanuts. Milo and kaffir have the same effect in firming the flesh as does corn.

Where peanuts are to be gathered by hogs, the tops may be cut with a mower, cured in cocks and then put in the stack or barn the same as clover and alfalfa. Peanut hay made in this way is very palatable, has about the same feeding value as hay from Red clover, and has the same laxative and other feeding characteristics as alfalfa hay. The yield is one to two tons in the dry-farming sections in ordinary seasons.

When peanuts are threshed, to secure the nuts for market, the vines are left with many small peanuts. This hay is richer than that made from the vines alone. The straw itself is not quite so palatable as that from the vines cured alone for hay, but the many small nuts add greatly to the feeding value and appetizing qualities. This kind of peanut hay sells at a good price in most of the southern markets.

The entire peanut plant, vine and pods, harvested and cured for hay, makes an unusually rich and palatable hay, containing, according to analysis of the U. S. department of agriculture, 18.4 per cent of protein, 40 per cent of carbohydrates, and 21.5 per cent fat. It is the hay to produce for feeding horses, mules, colts, beef and dairy cattle, growing cattle, hogs, sheep and poultry. The composition will of course vary in the proportion between vines and pods.

Gives Instant Action.

W. L. Doss reports that A SINGLE DOSE of simple buckthorn bark, glycerine, etc., as compounded in Adler-i-ka, the German appendicitis remedy, stops constipation or gas on the stomach INSTANTLY. Many Colorado people are being helped. 6.

The "Versatile" Editor.

We are witnessing many changes in our social, industrial and economic life. Old things are passing away and all things are becoming new.

Among other things we note the passing of the "versatile" editor. Time was when this person was an important personage in any community. He was looked up to and down upon and was put in jail and bailed out of jail. He was supported by borrowed money, cordwood and wedding cake, and in exchange for these courtesies he was expected to do any and everything that the rest could not do.

The versatile editor was what we call an all-round man. He had his faults perhaps, but he had his stunts, and he was at all times loaded to the guards with the responsibilities of the life of his community and other soft drinks.

He was the first baseman on the baseball team. He played B flat in the home band. He called the dances and led the grand march. He sang in the church choir. He played the villian part in the local dramatic events. He was secretary of the party caucus and introduced the speaker the 4th of July. He escorted the girl who had no steady company and finally he either disappeared entirely or married the girl.

This editor did not sit in any sanctum where the electric light sparkled and the electric fan cooled heated brows. He stood at the case and set the "stuff" out of his head, and ruined his eyes by the light of the lamp that was seldom cleaned and which supported a chimney that was dim with smoke. He set the advertisements as well as the obituaries and he did it all well. He made up and he also turned the press. He folded the papers and mailed out the list. He paid the help, or stood off the help. He personally accepted all the flowers sent to the office and he personally reasoned with or licked the man who disagreed with him about the article. He was the sole arbiter of the subscription list and kept the list of unpaids in his head. If money happened to come in it went into his pocket where it belonged and not into the bank where creditors might become attached to it. But the money did not stay in his pocket longer than the coming in of another "versatile" who was broke. He generally conducted a newspaper and attended to all the calls upon his time and strength until the paper house refused to longer stand for it, when he moved on.

Well here is a flower for the "veratile" editor. He is passing away and soon we shall see him no more. Thinking back upon the old time, the old shop, the old printer, we can have nothing but a grateful memory for him. Thinking of the present when in every print-shop there is what they call "system" where there is a typewriter, a set of books, a safe, presses, electrically equipped, light, heat, air, pressmen, ad-writers, ad-setters, real spittoons and a bank book, we want to say that while the versatile editor is leaving the center of the stage he is keeping company with one whose place it will be difficult to invent machinery to fill.—Anthony (Kan.) Bulletin.

Prohibition won last Wednesday at Mart, McLennan county, by a majority of 84 votes. Outside of Waco, Mart has been the only wet precinct in the county.

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COASTER-BRAKES, single wheels, imported roller chains and pedals, parts, repairs and equipment of all kinds at *half the regular retail prices.*

$10.00 Hedgethorn Puncture-Proof Self-healing Tires *A SAMPLE PAIR TO INTRODUCE, ONLY* **$4.80**

The regular retail price of these tires is $30.00 per pair, but to introduce we will sell you a sample pair for $4.80 cash with order $4.55.



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Notice the thick rubber tread "A" and puncture strips "B" and "D" also rim strip "H" to prevent rim cutting. This tire will outlast any other make—SOFT, ELASTIC and EASY RIDING.

We will allow a **cash discount** of 5 per cent (thereby making the price **$4.55** per pair) if you send **FULL CASH WITH ORDER** and enclose this advertisement. You run no risk in sending us an order as the tires may be returned at **OUR** expense if for any reason they are not satisfactory on examination. We are perfectly reliable and money sent to us is just safe as in a bank. If you order a pair of these tires, you will find that they will ride easier, run faster, wear better, last longer and look finer than any tire you have ever used or seen at any price. We know that you will be so well pleased that when you want a bicycle you will give us your order. We want you to send us a trial order at once, hence this remarkable tire offer.

IF YOU NEED TIRES don't buy any kind at any price until you send for a pair of Hedgethorn Puncture-Proof tires on approval and trial at the special introductory price quoted above; or write for our big Tire and Sundry Catalogue which describes and quotes all makes and kinds of tires at about half the usual prices.

DO NOT WAIT but write us a postal today. **DO NOT THINK OF BUYING** a bicycle or a pair of tires from anyone until you know the new and wonderful offers we are making. It only costs a postal to learn everything. **Write it NOW.**

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LOCAL NOTES

Miss Eliza Pichett, who has been teaching school at Westbrook, after visiting relatives for a week left Saturday for her home in Waco.

The latest classic music, ballads, ragtime—all kinds of music from 10 cents up at Doss.

Misses Irwin, Ellis and Graham have gone home for their vacation and all are much missed in their churches where they had work quite as hard as in their class rooms.

Ben Morgan taks subscriptions for the Dallas Semi-Weekly News. Give him your subscription.

Mrs. Van King eturned Saturday from the great Sunday school convention in Dallas and eports a glorious meeting. All the great workers were present, fine speeches made, the banquet delightful and the whole convention full of interest. Mrs. King was the only delegate from Mitchell county, a fact which greatly surprised her as our own town usually sends such a splendid representation.

A big lot of cut glass and handsome china at Doss.'

Mrs. R. U. Bean was operated on Saturday for a throat trouble and is reported doing nicely.

E. B. Morgan has been appointed local circulator of the Dallas news at this place.

Dr. and Mrs. Smith have moved into the Waldo place, which they have just bought and are putting in a concrete walk from the steps to the street and otherwise repairing the place.

Remember we handle nothing but millinery and hair goods and if you fail to get your hat from us, we will not have the pleasure of serving you until next fall. Buy from us.—MRS. B. F. MILLS.

Mr. and Mrs. Grantland left Friday night to visit relatives in East Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Arnett, Mr. and Mrs. Stoneroad, Mr. and Mrs. Beall and Junius Merritt returned this week from Rendrebrook where they have been fishing and resting.

J. M. Howell, a popular druggist of Greensburg, Ky., says, "We use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in our own household and know it is excellent." For sale by all dealers.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony of Sweetwater spent Sunday in Colorado with their sister Mrs. Van King.

Chas. Taylor the expert painter and paper hanger has an ad in this issue. Read it.

Thursday Mrs. Person took her Sunday school class upon a picnic up Lone Wolf Creek, the boys of Mrs. Merritt's class being their invited guests. Everybody had a fine time. A good lunch was served and all enjoyed the outing.

Judge J. L. Shepherd went out to Stanton Monday to hold district court.

For soreness of the muscles whether induced by violent exercise or injury, Camberlain's Liniment is excellent. This liniment is also highly esteemed for the relief it affords in cases of rheumatism. Sold by all dealers.

Last Monday and Tuesday mornings were almost cold enough for frost. The prevalence of hail in many surrounding localities, must have had something to do with it.

Some young lady in each community ought to work for the free hat at Mrs. Mills.'

Miss Lula Bell, who has been teaching in the Roby school, spent the day Sunday with Miss Lela Whipkey, going on the next day to her home at Holland, Texas, in an auto with her uncle.

A. K. Hawkes original glasses at Doss.

Mrs. Brooks Bell is visiting in San Angelo this week, going with her brother, Mr. McCauley overland in his auto.

Doss' Kidney Pills.—Guaranteed.

Mrs. Key went to Sweetwater Tuesday morning for a visit.

Don't send off for cheap or latest music. Doss has it, all kinds, from 10 cents up.

Miss Louise Webb left Tuesday morning to attend the missionary auxiliary of the Episcopal church which meets at Clarendon this week. Miss Webb will make an address before the convention, after which she will go to Amarillo for a visit.

Phone 35 and get what you want when you want it.

The fruit crop promises a fine yield in Mitchell county this season.

Uncle John Lovelady made a business trip to Baird last Saturday.

Nothing but the best fed beef, fattened in their own pens, sold by Beal Bros., now.

As soon as the material necessary for the alterations arrive, work will begin on the house recently vacated by the Colorado Dry Goods Company, and which will be occupied by Floyd Beall. He hopes to get moved by the first of next month.

The Simmons College band and glee club came over last Friday and gave an entertainment at the Shadowland moving picture theatre. They had a good band and the program at night was a creditable one, consisting chiefly of singing and musical selections. A good house showed its appreciation of every feature.

Tom Payne repairs all shoes the same day you bring them.

Mrs. J. L. Allen left this week to join Mr. Allen at Toyah, where he will relieve the Texas & Pacific agent at that place for several weeks.

Rev. Samuel Stamworth, who has been attending the Austin Theological Seminary at Austin, Texas, preached at the Presbyterian church last Sunday morning and night. Mr. Stamworth is a young man of bright promise and we predict for him a useful and successful career.

The pulpit of the First Christian church was filled last Sunday morning and evening by Rev. R. W. Mills of Snyder.

A fine lot of books, and an extra lot of bibles at Doss'.

Lark Costin is now to be found in the office of the tax assessor getting ready the tax rolls for the approval of the commissioners' court. This arrangement gives Jack Smith, who is a candidate for re-election to that office all his time in the field campaigning, and Lark, having served the county in that capacity for two terms, gives to it that efficiency which is begotten only of experience.

The Colorado Furniture Co. needs the cash. Their cash prices will surprise you. tf.

J. B. Annis attended the grand lodge of the Knights of Pythias at Waco, last week.

Mrs. Marjorie Ellis Smith, of Iolanthe, visited relatives and friends in Colorado last week. Mrs. Smith has many friends in Colorado who are always glad to welcome her to her old home, and who rejoice to know that happiness and prosperity attend her.

Is there anything in all this world that is of more importance to you than good digestion. Food must be eaten to sustain life and must be digested and converted into blood. When the digestion fails the whole body suffers. Chamberlain's Tablets are a rational and reliable cure for indigestion. They increase the flow of bile, purify the blood, strengthen the stomach, and tone up the whole digestive apparatus to a natural and healthy action. For sale by all dealers.

Mr. S. T. Shropshire has been quite sick the past ten days, but is now fairly on the road to convalesence.

More than 51 per cent of the taxes of Mitchell county are paid by non-residents.

Mr. William Ellwood went down to Rendrebrook ranch last Friday morning to look over the condition of things.

G. L. Wallace was over from Sweetwater last Friday with the Simmons College band and glee club.

Miss Ethel Greenwood is assisting district and county clerk Bullock in his office.

Earl Jackson has resigned his position as deputy district and county clerk and is giving his entire time to the interests of his campaign.

We are glad to report that Mrs. Jesse Bullock is much improved since last week.

Little Jack Carter is getting along nicely in recovering from the loss of his leg. We hope to see him out soon.

Zirkle can make your old furniture look like new. Phone 357-3r.

Owing to the absence of the pastor, there will be no preaching at the Baptist church next Sunday, night or morning. The regular Sunday school services, will be held, however.

Married at Fort Worth.

The Colorado friends of Miss Jimmie Dillard will be interested to learn that she was married recently at Fort Worth to a gentleman who is head of one of the departments at Gilbert's in that city. The Record tenders on behalf of her friends in Colorado, the most hearty congratulations and wishes for her future happiness and prosperity.

Owing to inclement weather, as well as the graudating exercises the same night at the opera house, there was no meeting of the commercial club last Monday night. There will be a meeting on the third Monday night, when several very important matters will be discussed and it is earnestly requested that every member be present promptly at 8:30 o'clock. If you are not now a member, it only requires a small subscription to make you one. The fifty cents or dollar you give, may be the means of accomplishing something for the good of the town that will be worth many times that amount to you. The club had rather have small subscriptions from many subscribers than large subscriptions from only a few; the interest is more disseminated and there can be no inclination to dictate the policy of the organization.

Half Fare Every Sunday.

Commencing May 12th the Texas & Pacific road will sell excursion tickets to all points on its line for one-half rate plus 10 cents, minimum rate 50 cents. Tickets will be limited to date of sale for return.

Pure Bowden Seed.

Only 200 bushels left. Price reduced to $1.00 per bushel. At Farmer's Union Warehouse. 5-17c

It Might Have Been Worse.

What might have been a serious accident was barely averted last Saturday evening about dark. The delivery team of the Colorado Mercantile Company was returning from East Colorado, when the horse hitched to the wagon, which never allows an opportunity to run away pass unimproved, took matters into his head and the bits in his teeth and proceeded to light out, whether Walter Owens the driver, willed or not. Just as they turned into Second Street from the street south of Mrs. Morrison's home, J. R. Ledbetter, with Sol Robinson as ballast, was going home in a buggy and passing that particular place hence a collision was inevitable and it happened. Little damage was done to either team or their occupants. Mr. Ledbetter was thought to be seriously hurt at first, but a careful examination showed his injuries to be merely bruises and scare.

The Swine or The Flower?

Ah me! I saw a huge and loathsome sty,
Wherein a drove of wallowing swine were barred,
Whose banquet shocked the nostril and the eye;
Then spoke a voice, "Behold the source of lard!"
I fled, and saw a field that seemed at first
One glistening mass of roses pure and white,
With dewy buds 'mid dark green foliage nursed;
And, as I lingered o'er the lovely sight,
The summer breeze, that cooled that Southern scene,
Whispered, "Behold the source of COTTOLENE!"

Prentiss Jeffress, who is now a full fledged messenger in the Wells Fargo express service running between Fort Worth and Sweetwater, visited his parents here last Sunday. Prentiss is making good in the express service wherever he is tried, and we expect some day to see him promoted to route agent or division superintendent.

Osteopathy.

Dr. W. B. Farris at St. James hotel from Monday evening to Wednesday morning; and from Thursday evenings to Saturday mornings. Calls answered day and night.

Bishop Temple preached morning and evening at All Sants church last Sunday to a full house both services. The Bishop is an able preacher and eloquent speaker, who never fails to instruct and edify all who hear him. His periodical visits to Colorado are anticipated with as much interest and pleasure by others as by his own people.

New $2,200 Home For $1,700.

New 5 room house with hall and porches, underground cistern, 3 lots, sheds, wired for electric lights and close in, all for $1700 and on good terms. If you want a home and pay for it nearly like paying rent, see or phone me. ERNEST KEATHLEY. 5-17c.

J. C. Duff of Midland, is a recent addition to the citizenship of our town. He has accepted a position with the H. L. Hutchinson Furniture and Undertaking Company, vice Mr. Lamar, resigned. The Record welcomes Mr. Duff to the town and hopes his stay will be long, prosperous and contented. Mr. Lamar, who has been with Mr. Hutchinson since the beginning of the year, has gone to Dallas.

A Live Insurance Agency.

Messrs. Harness & Root, special agents for the Southland Life Insurance company, were notified by the head office at Dallas last Saturday, that they had won the prize offered by that company for the largest amount of insurance written during the last four days in April. The amount written by Harness & Root was $16,000, comprised in five policies. This is quite a compliment to this agency and speaks volumes for its industry and mastery of the business, and is fully in line with the prediction made by the Record when these gentlemen entered the business. May they win every prize offered by their company.

The candidates all gathered at Horn's Chapel last Friday to make known their wants to the voters. The occasion was the closing exercises of the school at that place. The occasion partook of the nature of a picnic, there being dinner spread on the ground and a general good time. At night, many of the candidates went to Cuthbert where Judge Coe had an appointment to speak, and presented their claims.

Letter from Mrs. Goforth.

Mrs. Z. E. Goforth, 2119 Holly St., Kansas City, writes: "After using a sample bottle and two 25-cent bottles of Hunt's Lightning Oil, I am almost well of Catarrah. It stops my headaches. It is the best medicine I ever saw, and I can't just keep house without it." She is right.

Tailored hats at Mrs. Mills.

Imitation Is the Suresst Flattery



Like all good things our work has many imitaters. We have achieved and maintained a precedence hy perfecting

YOUR LAUNDRY

Any task given us is considered worth doing well. We have studied the quickest, surest and cleanest methods of completing our work. See how others do the same. Journey into the working of your mind will strengthen our argument.

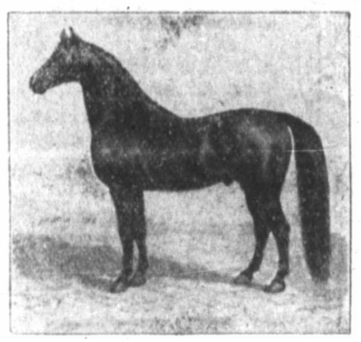
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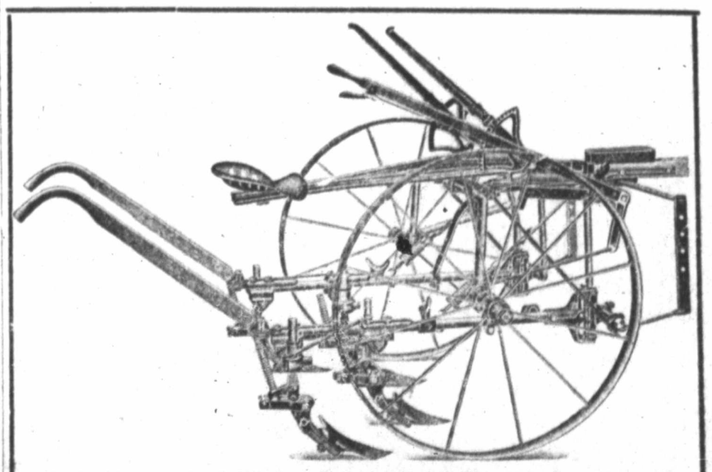


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Will make the season at Buford, on the Hagler farm.
$10.00 FOR INSURANCE,
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well known in the county. Will also make the season at the same place.

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LOCAL NOTES

A note from Harry T. Hall to his father advises to have his Record changed from Sweetwater to Corpus Christi where he is now located, teaching a band and orchestra, as well as establishing himself in his trade. The Record wishes him well.

Zirkle calls for and delivers furniture he repairs. Phone 357-3r.

Mrs. R. W. Morgan was called to the bedside of her mother who lives at Stanton, last Monday night.

Another shower fell on Monday night.

The finest horse medicine on earth Dr. Daniels horse remedies for sale. —J. B. ANNIS.

Commissioner W. B. Wimberly of Loraine precinct has been attending commissioner's court this week.

We are requested by local agent Crowder of the Texas & Pacific road to state that there is no interruption on that line of through freight. The line is open to New Orleans and but one branch line is out of commission. The road is receiving and forwarding all classes of freight offered it.

A big lot of cut glass and handsome china at Doss.'

Work on the Lasker block was interrupted for a few days pending the arrival of material, most important of which was lime., As soon as that material arrives that corner will again become a bustling hive of industry.

Mr. D. N. Arnett, Jr., and wife of Justiceburg, are visiting relatives in the city this week.

Judge Warren Beall came over to attend the picnic and speaking out at Horn's Chapel last Friday.

The best horse collar in Texas. If you don't believe it come and see.—J. B. ANNIS.

Louis Pond and wife are entertaining the youngest and latest addition to their family circle in the person of a little girl of nine pounds avadupoise, who arrived last Thursday evening.

Zirkle repairs furniture good as new. Phone 357, 3r.

The big 115-ton engine which has been hauling the dirt-laden cars for the filling in of the trestles on this section proved too heavy for the mill and compress siding last Thursday evening and spread the rails to such extent that it was not gotten back on the track until next morning.

We want your business. We need it and will guarantee the style and price to be right.—MRS. B. F. MILLS.

Since the recent rains the grass is coming up everywhere. Much of it had been killed out during the past two dry years. Everybody will soon have an abundance of good milk and butter, which will go far toward cutting down the high cost of living.

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S. C. GALLUP SADDLERY MAKERS

T. J. Coffee of Colorado, was a visitor here this week on a visit to relatives.—Big Springs Enterprise.

Mr. N. R. Thurmond, of the Horn's Chapel community, died last Saturday and was buried in the cemetery in Colorado, on Sunday afternoon/

Rev. W. C. Hart, who preaches at both Shepherd and Looney school house was in town Monday.

A. K. Hawkes original glasses at Doss.'

The long-awaited material has arrived and work is now going forward on the Lasker block of buildings.

There is not a better or cheaper stock of millinery in all West Texas than ours. We have orders from El Paso to Fort Worth and nearly all the towns along the T. & P. and why? Because our goods are cheap and the style correct.—MRS. B. F. MILLS.

Col. Wright wears a becoming boutonniere in his lapel every day since the roses have come.

And why not? The plea of Allen, the Virginia bandit that he shot only in self defense, is no more absurd than hundreds of cases that clutter our court dockets, and in Texas, too.

Now is the time to get rid of your rheumatism. You will find Chamberlain's Liniment wonderfully effective. One application will convince you of its merits. Try it. For sale by all dealers.

Miss Kate Justice, who has been taking a course of professional nursing at the Baptist Sanitarium the past two years, is visiting home folks and friends. She did not graduate this year but her examination grades were 100 in every department. She will take her degree next year.

Examine the latest music at Doss'. He has it from 10 cent sup.

Judge J. W. Woods of Rotan, candidate for representative for the district composed of Mitchell, Nolan and Fisher counties, has been circulating among the voters of this county the past week, and paid this office a pleasant call. He speaks with encouragement of his prospects.

Don't send your money for magazines, books and papers out of town; I can get any book, poper or magazine published for you at the same price.—Ben Morgan.

Rev. A. D. Leach left Tuesday night to attend the southern Baptist convention, which meets at Oklahoma City this week.

Let a girl in each community work for the free hat at MRS. B. F. MILLS.

Mrs. C. C. Blandford returned Sunday from a flying trip to Dallas, Fort Worth and Mineral Wells.

The Methodist Missionary Society will meet Monday at four o'clock in the church. Every member is urged to be present as there is business of importance to be transacted and it concerns you.

Queensware, Glassware, Pictures, Clacks, Laundry Baskets at cost.
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The Christian Aid will meet Thursday in the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson of Sweetwater spent Friday in Colorado the guests of Mrs. J. L. Shepherd.

A fine lot of books, and an extra lot of bibles at Doss.'

The filling in of the railroad trestles on this section goes steadily on. The long trestle west of the stock yards will be filled in, as well as the one across Lone Wolf creek.

County commissioner J. S. Barber was attending to his official duties this week and reported good rains in his community.

Rev. B. Broome left Tuesday night for Oklahoma City, where he will attend the meeting of the southern Baptist convention.

The Shunammite Circle met with Mrs. Lindley on Wednseday with a full attendance. After the lesson was over the ladies were very busy cutting out aprons and dresses for Buckner Orphan's Home and planning other things for the future.

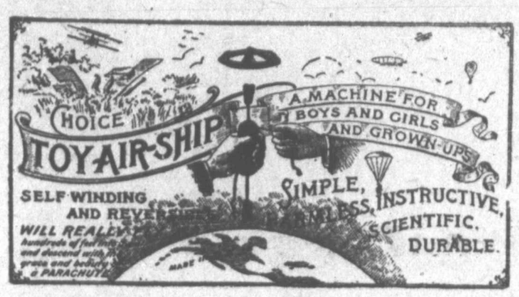
Much cotton is reported to have been killed by the recent cold weither and sand storms.

John Lane, accompanied by F. S. Keiper, went to Dallas this week and will drive Lane's brand new E. M. F. 30 car back through the country.

LOST.

A bargain at the Colorado Furniture Co's store by waiting a day too e. Moral: Buy today. tf.

Gardner Harness spent the day rsday at Sweetwater on busi-



COME and see the wonderful Toy Air Ship. The finest and most interesting toy ever produced. We have placed one of them in the pockets of every boy's and youth's suit in the house, regardless of price, and any boy purchasing one of these suits will be twice fortunate—lucky in getting such a good suit and lucky in securing such an entertaining prize. A healty, happy boy, a Viking Suit and a Toy Air Ship form a combination that cannot be beaten.

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Miss Webb's Private School Closes.

The private school which has been conducted by Miss Helen Louise Webb closed on Wednesday of last week.

The kindergarten department had been dismissed soon after Easter and Miss Webb continued with the four older children who were making the third grade.

During the year, Miss Webb had visited Miss Coe's room keeping in close touch with the work and her pupils went to Miss Coe to take their final examinations in two subjects with the public school children. The other examinations were given by Miss Webb and their grades reported to Miss Coe. The standing of all was very satisfactory and Mr. Hart granted them promotion cards to the fourth grade, in case any of the parents wish to enter them in the public school in the fall.

Maxwell Thomas carried off first honors making an average of 97 per cent. Madeline Looney came a close second, having covered two grades, the second and third, this year with an average of 92 per cent. Louria Boon stood 85½ per cent.

Annie May Mann made an excellent record, but had been only in the third grade two months and will finish during the summer. She made an average of 93 per cent in the subjects which she had completed.

The children were to have had a picnic on the river as a treat at the end of the session but rain having interfered with their plans, Miss Webb invited them to supper and they visited the picture show afterward, apparently enjoying the evening as much as they would have the picnic.

Farewell Party.

Mrs. John Vaughan gave a lovely party last week in honor of Miss Ruth Hunt, who has been staying with her aunt, Mrs. Lee Jones and attending school. A big crowd of boys and girls were present and enjoyed themselves in the usual way with games and conversation. The hostess served a most refreshing punch with delicious cake. Miss Hunt left the last of the week for her home.

Temple.—The Texas Press Association will meet at Tepmle May 16, 17, and 18.

Circle Meeting.

Mrs. Hall was hostess for the Central Circle Monday. In the absence of the chairman, Mrs. Jackson, Mrs. Sam Wulfjen presided at the meeting. No business except payment of dues came up and then a delightful social afternoon was spent. Before leaving, Mrs. Hall served the very best kind of cake and custard. It was not decided where the June meeting will be held, announcement to be made later.

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with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

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To Voters of Precinct No. 1.

As it will be impossible for me to make an active canvass among you, I must depend upon the loyalty of my friends to see that my name is kept before the people of this precinct as a candidate for Justice of the Peace. You know my record for the past six years and I feel I could do or say nothing that would add to your favorable consideration of my candidacy. FRED MEYER.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our many friends for their help and sympathy during the recent illness and death of our husband and father. May God bless you.

MRS. S. K. GREGORY,
MRS. DORA MORRIS,
MRS. IDA McNEW
MRS. LORA ANDERSON,
W. H. GREGORY,
T. J. GREGORY,
R. E. GREGORY,
IVA GREGORY,
ANNA GREGORY,
MATTIE GREGORY,
BRUNSON GREGORY,

SEWING MACHINES.

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A pre-cooling plant is to be installed at Houston at a cost of $100,000.

Miss Elsie Bertner to Marry.

The Record is in receipt of an invitation to the marriage of Miss Elsie Bertner to Mr. Howard Abram Tune, on Thursday evening, June 6th, at 9 o'clock, Second Presbyterian church, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Miss Elsie was reared in Colorado and everyone who knew her is her friend and admirer. The Record voices the community in extending congratulations and wishes for an abundant share of both temporal and spiritual blessings, in her new life.

FOUND.

A beautiful Art Square among our rugs. Come and see it. We will make the price right.
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Standard Club.

Mrs. Crockett was hostess for the Standard Club Friday and a delightful meeting was held. Roll call was answered with gems from Lallah Rookh. Mrs. Smith had a splendid paper upon the Religions of India and American Missionaries. Mrs. Looney gave a beautiful reading, Isdulrar falls in love with Mua. Mrs. Prude gave Mua's reply which was even prettier than the other. Mrs. Crockett served lovely refreshments, after which the club adjourned to meet with Mrs. Coleman.

G. F. C.

The G. F. C. met Thursday with Miss Dera Wulfjen and held a very pleasant meeting. There were seven tables of 42 players and the game was well played and most enjoyable. No prizes were given. The hostess served an appetizing refreshment course of veal loaf, pineapple salad, crackers and iced tea. Miss Lillie Allen is hostess this week.

The largest and best stock of millinery ever in Colorado at Mrs. Mills.

Mrs. Lottie Robertson and daughter Miss Ray, of Hereford, and Mrs. Phelan and children of Baird are visiting Mrs. Landers.

Beeville.—The next auto trades excursion will be held May 22nd, and will cover the territory north of this city, including Tuleta, Kennedy and Mineral City.

CLASSFIED ADS.

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AGENTS—Stmship Titanic Disaster. Complete, Authentic, Biggest book, Best Terms. Sample book 10c. Address; National Publishers (Established 1857) Lakeside Bldg., Chicago. 1tp

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Fine Eggs for Sale.

Reduced prices, $1.00 per setting, 15 eggs. Barred Rocks, White Rocks, White and Buff Orpingtons, White Wyandotts. Also a few cocks for sale cheap. C. T. HARNESS. 3t.

HORSE CLIPPING.—Will clip your horses while you wait; thorough work on all jobs; nothing helps a horse so much as a good spring clipping. Bring them to fire station.—Tom Payne. tf

STOCK OF GOODS TO TRADE FOR LAND

About $11,000 stock of good clean general merchandise, in a good county seat town to trade for West Texas land. Don't want anything west of Midland county. See or write, Keiper Real Estate Exchange, Colorado, Tex.

FRENCH COACH "MARCUS"

This horse will make the season at the farm of George Bynam, three miles south of Colorado.

FEES, $10.00 TO INSURE

Now is the time to begin the raising of better stock and this is your opportunity.

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Houston.—The Southern Commercial Secretaries will hold their annual meeting in this city, May 16th, 17th and 18th.