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Keep your ground well tilled so as to retain the moisture. H. W. Campbell, the dry farming expert, says that July is the month when hot winds do their deadly work not alone in carrying away water needed for this year's crops, but in robbing the farmer of water he will need for next year's crops.

We have received Thos. Durham's new paper, the Wellington Leader, and its advertising columns show Wellington to be a much better town than we had given it credit for, there being one double-page ad, two whole page ads, and a number of others, making a ten-page paper. If Mr. Durham holds such patronage, he has not missed it by going to Wellington.

The heat in Dallas Wednesday killed Jas. Pritt, laundry wagon driver, and Jas. Howell, a city prisoner on street work. No one in Dallas can recall in fifty years, so continuous a hot spell of weather. For more than ten days the mercury in local thermometers has registered from 101 to 105 degrees above zero; the average for all that period (during the afternoon hours) being not less than 102 to 103 degrees.

A change is advocated by Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh in the revenue duty upon oleomargarine, which is now one quarter of one per cent per pound upon uncolored, and 100 per pound on colored. He proposes to make it a flat rate of 20 per pound upon all grades. As a revenue producer the change would probably increase the government's receipts, but state laws would in many instances make it impossible to sell the colored product at all.

While we do not believe half the stories told about the "metallized toad" business, we note that the press dispatches say, "Governor Campbell will be asked to call a special session of the legislature by M. B. Davis of Waco, secretary of the Texas Audubon Society, to take some action for the preservation of the horned toad, which is rapidly becoming extinct in this state. Mr. Davis has been informed that the little creatures are being shipped to Chicago and other large cities in enormous quantities, where they are metallized and used for hatpins." If there is any truth in the statements, it should be stopped, as the toads are harmless and are great destroyers of insects that are injurious to the farmer.

For Selling Decayed Fruit and Vegetables

In Ft. Worth Thursday B. Goldstein was arrested on a charge of violating the pure food ordinance. It is alleged that Goldstein, who runs a fruit stand, was selling fruit which did not conform to the ordinance. Some oranges and green tomatoes were taken by the police as evidence. Goldstein was released on bond.

Mrs. J. B. Williams has returned from her visit at Canyon City.

The heat reached the high notch of 104 here Sunday. Since that the maximum has ranged around the 100 mark, and shy one degree yesterday. Rain is badly needed.

Among those who have attended the Childress celebration, so far, are: W. C. Culwell, Jim Hodges, F. A. White, Mr. and Mrs. Rube Lipe, Mrs. B. T. Lane and sister, Walker Lane, H. B. Robbins, Jim and Charley Hickman, W. C. Stewart, Gene Noland, Jno McClellan, Clarendon Hilderbrand, Mrs. J. M. Mann, Rev. E. Dudds, H. Lott.

It is estimated that the profit from the railway of Japan for the next fiscal year will amount, in round figures, to 24 million dollars, from which a net profit of 4 1/2 million dollars is expected to accrue, after deducting the interest on railway bonds.

Congressmen Wire Texas Governor, Recommending Call of Legislature to Ratify Income Tax Measure

Washington, July 15.—Representatives Henry and Beall wired Governor Campbell late this afternoon that the house had adopted the joint resolution submitting the income tax amendment to the legislatures of the several states for ratification. They wired the governor separately, each recommending that he convene the legislature in extraordinary session at the earliest possible date that Texas might be the first southern state to ratify the amendment. Representatives Henry and Beall were the first members of the house to wire their chief executive of the action of the house and to express the hope that he would call an extraordinary session of the legislature.

El Paso Wants Taft and Diaz to Meet There

El Paso, Tex., July 15.—Assurance was received here privately today that President Diaz of Mexico will meet President Taft here.

It is planned to convert the international bridge into a banquet hall, decorated with colors of the two republics, with table in center of the international line.

President Diaz will be seated at the Mexican end and President Taft at the American end. Soldiers will be massed, the American soldiers on the American side and the Mexican soldiers on the Mexican side of the line. The El Paso Fair Association today sent telegrams to Texas congressmen to use their efforts to have President Taft change his itinerary so as to reach here during the fair, first week in November, have also wired that the City of El Paso will be honored to entertain him in October, or any time that suits his convenience.

Taft Stands for Corporation Tax Amendment

Washington, July 15.—That President Taft "stands right where he stood all along" and will insist upon the adoption of a corporation tax amendment is the substance of a report made to the tariff conference today by Senator Aldrich and Representative Payne.

Leaders of the senate and house were at the White House last night, having been summoned by the President, to explain the persistent rumor that the corporation tax proposition was in danger of being dropped in conference.

Cashier Cook Arrested for Embezzlement

At Paris Wednesday National Bank Examiner Logan swore out warrants before Commissioner Stone charging E. T. Cook of Savoy, Tex., with embezzlement of \$3,707 of the funds of the First National Bank of Savoy, of which he was cashier, and R. H. Cook of Mill Creek, Ok., and J. B. King of Archer City, Tex., with aiding and abetting the offense.

West Alton, Ill., Flooded

Alton, Ill., July 14.—John Kites, a farmer, saved hundreds from death today by riding down the Missouri river valley and warning farmers of the flood which inundated the valley when the levee at Missouri Point went out. West Alton was threatened by a deluge. Thousands of dollars damage was done to crops. This morning thirty families are homeless.

When the Santa Fe got ready to build that 300 mile cut-off it did not spend a year or two bleeding the people along the line for bonuses. All it asked was the right of way and this was secured promptly. This is the old time method of putting a railroad through and when gone at in this way there is no doubt about the road being built. The people are not mulcted of their last dollar and then left with the bag to hold as in so many other cases.—Childress Post.

Between 25,000 and 30,000 workmen, coal miners, tin and sheet plate workers and various other steel crafts, are out on strike throughout western Pennsylvania, eastern Ohio and West Virginia. The majority of idle men are in the Pittsburgh district.

Old papers for sale at this office.

Has Tracked Platform Demands

Gov. Campbell's speech at the opening of the Millam county fair Wednesday was the leading feature. He said, in part:

"I have a contract with you, made on the election day. I then promised you that every platform demand should receive my indorsement and would be enacted into law if in my power to do so. I have regarded that contract and that promise and have kept the faith. I have at all times considered myself the servant of the people and have filled your office as governor for the people. I have not been deterred or made afraid by the grafters nor the hirelings of the public selfish interests. I regard the highest duty of any citizen is to be careful in casting his vote for governor of this great State. I sincerely hope and trust that the next governor of Texas will be a man elected from among the true and tried Democracy of Texas, and a man big enough not to permit the office to become the tool of the selfish interests of the Union, nor to allow it to become the asset of any political clique or faction.

"I kept the faith and enforced your platform demands. I thought you meant what you said in that platform that you wanted a full rendition law and it made a law, and for that and other laws enacted these special interests and their hired followers fought me to the bitter end in 1908, but by the vote of the people I was vindicated and these interests and the world at large was given notice that for a time at least the people ruled in Texas and approved of its public servants, doing the bidding of the people and not of the hired lobbyists.

"Your constitution cannot be amended nor a constitutional amendment be submitted except as provided by law, and such amendments must be submitted at the regular session. They did not submit it and I was helpless, but I tell you here and now that, so help me God, if it could have been submitted at a special session you people would now have been talking about how you were going to vote on the amendment or you would have been wondering when the legislature was going to adjourn. I would have had it submitted or I would have had call session so long as I was your governor."

The area in Texas devoted to cotton this year is 9,716,000 acres. The area in 1908 was 9,525,000 acres. The increase in acreage is accounted for by the opening up of the new lands west of the Santa Fe railroad, and the retreating of many black land farms, which in 1908 were lying idle. It is believed that the individual acreage is considerably decreased.—Farm and Ranch.

Building a farm home on a prairie with a rainfall of from fifteen to twenty-five inches isn't exactly one continuous round of pleasure. It's the hardest kind of work, with possibilities of success and certainty of disappointments commingled. It isn't anywhere near as easy as a casual reading of railroad literature and other advertising matter about dry farming would indicate. It hasn't been so long since these lands were considered useless. And they were useless when measured by the methods of farming followed where there was more rainfall. These dry lands are now producing crops, not because it rains any more than it used to, for it doesn't and will not. Sense, knowledge and hard work are necessary to success, and the man who isn't willing to pay the full price should move along.—Oklahoma Farm Journal.

Drop in and see the Chronicle's premium Texas pocket map. It is the most correct we have seen as to towns and railroads, besides giving fair maps of New Mexico and Oklahoma. It also gives the population of all state towns on the back. Call and see it. It is given free to new cash subscribers, only 10 cts to other subscribers, and the regular price, 25 cts, to non-subscribers.

STATE NEWS.

The Whitesboro corn mill and elevator, together with 2,000 bushels of grain, burned Tuesday. The property belonged to Sherman & Son. Loss about \$12,000, partially covered by insurance.

Wednesday while working at a hay press on the farm of his father south of Corsicana Archie Little, the 15 year-old son of T. P. Little, was severely injured in the press and his leg was badly crushed. He will recover.

Chas. Limbrick, aged 11 years, was shot through the brain and instantly killed at Beaumont Wednesday by the accidental discharge of a 38 caliber revolver in the hands of Claude McCauley, aged about 11 years.

In Hill county near Aquilla, during a boxing match between Earl Terry, aged 20, and Brittain Stacy, aged 18, Terry was struck on the left side of his body, just under the ribs, the blow proving instantly fatal. Terry gasped and fell to the ground dead.

Hereafter no Sunday funerals will be held in Denver unless orders are issued by the board of health making them necessary in particular cases. This was decided Tuesday when an agreement was signed by forty-three ministers, twenty-one undertaking firms and the two principal cemeteries of the city.

At Gonzales Tuesday the Presbyterian parsonage and its contents were destroyed by fire. The library belonging to Rev. C. P. Dodds was also burned. The barn, filled with hay, was consumed. Fire Chief R. A. Remshel, was overcome by heat and had to be carried home. Rev. Mr. Dodds was burned, but not seriously.

As a result of a cave-in the mine of the Lone Star Lignite company at Como, east of Sulphur Springs Tuesday, one man is dead and another injured. Several miners were at work in one of the runs, eighty feet beneath the surface when without warning several tons of slate caved in, killing John Cadeil and injuring another.

S. F. Thornhill of Chappell Hill committed suicide Wednesday, by using a 38-caliber pistol. He stated that he shot himself because he thought his family would be better off if he was dead. He never regained consciousness after being carried home. He was one of the most respected citizens of that section. He leaves a wife and two children.

At an ice cream supper given at Valley View, ten miles south of Gainesville, twenty-five or thirty people were poisoned by the cream and the two physicians of the little town were taxed to their utmost to look after the patients, all of whom became violently sick soon after eating the cream. It was learned that the cream had been made in a freezer which had not been used for several weeks and the tin had corroded, which caused the poison.

At Lubbock Saturday a span of fine horses belonging to Mr. W. A. Wilson were instantly killed by lightning. The horses were in a lot and standing close together when the lightning struck a telephone pole several hundred feet from where the horses were standing. The telephone pole was shattered and the presumption is that the bolt followed the wire until it reached the horses and being attracted by them left the wire and killed the animals.

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