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To my Subscribers

THIS is an urgent appeal to you all, no matter whether you live in the county or not, and I want to have a heart to heart talk with you. As I have just purchased the interest of Mr. Fryar in the business, I have, of course, some VERY HEAVY obligations and debts that must be paid when they become due, and I must have money from my friends who owe me, in order that I may pay these debts.

I find that there is at least \$350 due me on subscriptions, and while the amount is small to you, if you will just consider that if the 800 subscribers in Mitchell county would only pay me 50c each it would mean \$400 to me and I could pay almost out of debt. I hope each one of you will look at this matter in the proper light and determine after reading this letter that you will call in and pay me a little the next time you come to town. It will be appreciated very much and will help me to make far greater efforts to give you a better paper. Please call around and see me, pay all you can, when you do this you will have done all any man can do.

Trusting that you will remember me with a small remittance in the very near future, and thereby helping a worthy cause, and a man who is trying to earn an honest living and pay his debts; I remain,

Yours for a better paper,

J. A. Fore

Publisher

Campbell and Davidson.

Both Were Easy Winners, and Submission is Very Close.

Saturday's Democratic primaries throughout Texas was not void of interest nor lacking in excitement, and indications are that at least 325,000 votes were cast, and some races are in doubt and the result will not be fully known for several days. Enough is known to insure the re-election of Gov. Campbell by not less than 80,000, E. V. Davidson has won for attorney general the third time by not less than 35,000 though the Fort Worth Record claims Wynn is elected by a small majority. Cousins has won for State Superintendent, Stephens for comptroller, and Colquitt easily for railroad commissioner. Davidson has defeated Geers for lieutenant governor. The other state candidates are in doubt.

From returns received up to noon Tuesday it looks like Gresham has defeated Sandusky for district attorney, and that Judge Crockett has defeated Wilmeth, for representative by 1000. The result may be changed by later returns, but this is not likely.

IN MITCHELL COUNTY.
A heavy vote was cast in this county, and the result in some instances were very surprising to many people, but indeed gratifying to others. Below we give the result as near as we could get them, but there may a few changes, but not sufficient to change the result in any race. The executive committee will meet Saturday and make the official count and declare the result, and then we will publish the tabulated vote by precincts.

It has been impossible to get even the vote for the county candidates today, but the following are elected by good majorities: A. J. Coe county judge, G. B. Coughran sheriff and tax collector, W. P. Leslie county attorney, J. J. Patterson county treasurer, Jesse H. Bullock county and district clerk, L. A. Costin tax assessor, and Fred Meyer justice of the peace precinct No. 1 over M. C. Ratliff by 18 votes; J. T. Fulkerson constable precinct No. 1, and W. H. Gardner commissioner by an almost unanimous vote. C. E. Franklin wins for public weigher precinct No. 1 by 50 votes over D. S. Kirk.

NO SHOT FOR WYNN

As the returns come in from over the state, Davidson's lead over Wynn grows larger. The Houston Post, a strong Wynn organ, concedes Davidson's election, and in Tuesday's issue says: "In the race for attorney general R. V. Davidson appears to have secured a lead which can not be overcome. The figures which have been tabulated to date show a total of 99,991 for Davidson and 82,199 for Wynn. However, there are a number of counties which are sure for Wynn which have not been fully heard from and Davidson's majority will doubtless be cut down but it is sure to be in the neighborhood of 15,000."

The Fort Worth Star of Tuesday evening says:

"Tuesday's returns from the primary election of Saturday have served to change the situation, as announced Monday, but very little, except to increase the majorities of Governor Campbell and Attorney General Davidson."

lead is now about 14,000, and later returns will probably increase it beyond that figure.

Both antis and submissionists claim the lead, but submission appears to be in the lead. Great difficulty has been experienced in getting returns; as in many counties the judges locked up the returns in the boxes; and where such is the case it will be necessary to wait until Saturday before obtaining the results.

Also a great deal of confusion was occasioned by the double proposition on the ballot, submission of the prohibition amendment and of the local option, all of which tended to delay returns and to make the count more tedious. It may take the official count to determine the result of the submission ballot, though the antis claim that they have won the victory.

CROCKETT WINNER.

On the face of the returns received up to Wednesday afternoon it is almost certain that Judge W. B. Crockett has defeated A. C. Wilmeth for representative of the 101st district by a good majority. Crockett has carried Mitchell, Nolan, Howard, Borden, Lynn, Midland, Kent, Garza, Fisher and Dawson.

Wilmeth has carried Scurry, Ector, Crosby and Gains, with Lubbock, Martin, Glascock, Terry, Ward and Andrews yet to hear from, and The News, figuring on the basis that Wilmeth will carry half of them by very small majorities, claims that he can not overcome the lead now favoring Crockett, hence we claim that Crockett is the winner by from 600 to 1000 majority.

A phone talk with Mr. E. B. Barnes at Snyder Wednesday afternoon stated that Mr. Wilmeth was making no claims and was not prepared to say what the result would be, but Mr. Barnes thought sure Wilmeth was defeated.

Record Concedes Defeat of Wynn.

Fort Worth, Tex., July 29.—The Fort Worth Record, Dallas News and Fort Worth Telegram each concede this morning that R. V. Davidson has received the nomination for attorney general over R. M. Wynn by a majority of 14,000.

It has also been given up by authorities that submission has been defeated by 30,000, which may yet be overcome, as the returns on this proposition from 25 counties are as yet incomplete.

Says Submission Side Will Carry.

Houston, July 29.—The Houston Chronicle of today gives Davidson a majority of ten thousand over Col. Wynn. It also states that the fifty-five counties not yet heard from are strong dry counties and that the pros are confident that their vote will be sufficiently large to carry the submission question.

Real Estate Transfers.

E. J. Adams and wife to W. L. Edmondson, lot 7, block 5, Lorraine. Consideration \$300.00.
R. M. Swafford and wife to J. W. and W. E. Miller, lot 10, block 18, Lorraine. Consideration \$90.

BURNED AT STAKE

Black Brute Pays Awful Penalty for Dastardly Assault.

Greenville, July 28.—Last night shortly after dark a negro named Tod Smith, aged eighteen made an assault on Miss Viola Delaney, a prominent young lady of this place and forced her to submit at the point of a revolver. A posse was immediately made up and the black was given a hot chase through the timberland just north of Greenville and captured at an early hour this morning. The officers hurried their prisoner back to town and taking him before Miss Delaney he was identified by her and started for the jail. The citizens had learned of his capture by this time however and the officers were overpowered and the prisoner taken away from them.

The negro was taken immediately to the public square in the center of the city where a mob numbering in the thousand heaped up piles of oiled wood and placed the negro on it. When the flames reached the black he gave frantic screams for mercy but the crowds only cheered.

Practically the whole town was out to witness the burning and much cheering was done when the intention of the mob was seen. Immediately after firing the piles of wood the mob mingled with the crowd and as yet no arrests have been made. Miss Delaney, the victim of the brutes outrage is a member of one of the most prominent families of Greenville and is a very accomplished young lady of sixteen. The signal revenge of the Greenville citizens has brought praise from every portion of the state and may furnish a good object lesson for other would be assaulters.

Business Notice.

I shall not be able to be out on the streets as much as I have been in the past, owing to the fact that I will have to work on the inside, but should I be absent when any one calls, I desire to say that Mr. A. S. Bassett, a first-class printer and newspaper man, will be in charge of the mechanical department and can make contracts for advertising and job work the same as I could do, and will treat all in a polite and courteous manner, and I am real anxious to serve you. I ask my friends to please remember me when you need printing and at least give me a chance to show you work and give prices.

Yours to serve,
J. A. Fore.

Two Candidates Tie.

San Angelo, Texas, July 29.—The sheriff's race in this county on Wednesday all others, and it was not until the last box had been heard from that the successful candidate could be decided.

J. S. McConnell, the present incumbent, was elected over Jerome Shield by a majority of 43 votes. In Irion county, J. V. McNutt and Judge W. F. Fokes candidates for county judge, tied. Judge Fokes is the present incumbent. No agreement has been reached between the candidates, and they will probably decide the race in the general election.

The republican politicians, headed by Lyon, sought to displace Mrs. Morrow as postmistress at Abilene, but Teddy waded the big stick and then it was all off.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

For District Judge 32nd Judicial District.
JAS. L. SHEPHERD.
For Representative 101st Dist.
W. B. CROCKETT.
For County Judge
A. J. (Bud) COE
For Sheriff and Tax Collector
G. B. COUGHRAN.
County and District Clerk:
JESSE H. BULLOCK.
For Tax Assessor.
L. A. COSTIN.
For County Treasurer
J. J. PATTERSON
For County Attorney.
W. P. LESLIE.
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For Constable Precinct No. 1
J. T. FULKERSON
For Public Weigher
C. E. FRANKLIN.
For Commissioner Precinct No. 1
W. H. GARDNER
For County Commissioner Precinct No. 2, (Cathbert)
W. M. GREEN.

The man with the figures says that the negro takes more lives than any race.

The building continues in Colorado, despite the kick of the calamity howler.

The Merry Widow Hat seems to have smothered the Houston Post red headed widow.

It is said that the country press is going to have to fight Bryan's battles for him. Should he win what would the big fellows say?

Saturday night, with saloons wide open, 26 arrests were made by the police. Sunday, with saloons closed, only seven arrests were made.—El Paso Herald.

It is officially denied that Mr. Roosevelt will take the stump in Nebraska for Taft. Very few people believed that Teddy would go up against the foremost orator of the world in his own state.

There will be no hired orators on the stump for Mr. Bryan this year. He was nominated by the voluntary action of the people, and all speech making will be done by volunteers.

The sheepmen of the Pecos Valley are busily engaged in figuring out some way in which to reduce expenses on account of the low price of wool. Surely it can't be possible with the republican party in control of the country.

Saloons are being abolished in America at the rate of thirty a day. No wonder the liquor men are spending vast sums of money in a hopeless effort to stem the tide. If the people of Texas can get a whack at these dens of iniquity and vice in 1908 they will put about \$5000 of them out of business in one day. They have got to go.

The liquor people claim that local option and prohibition only serve to increase the amount of liquor consumed. Nevertheless they continue to fight both, spending vast sums of money. Last year twenty millions of dollars were expended for new saloons, fixtures, etc. This year only half a million dollars was expended for the same purpose, a drop of 97.5 per cent. Undoubtedly due to the vast increase in the sentiment against saloons.

WHERE WE STAND.

Under the present management The News will always be found on the right side of all moral and public questions that affect the welfare of this town and its people. Those who have been reading the paper for the past four months are doubtless aware that The News has not been on "the fence" or afraid to call things by their right name, and in future this standard will be most rigidly adhered to. We shall play no favorites, be no respecter of persons, but hew to the line, come what may, and by reading the paper you can easily tell where we stand on all public questions that may arise concerning the town and county and the people thereof. We are not imbued with the idea that we are the whole "cheese" and that other people have no rights and opinions, but shall grant to each human soul that God given right to act and do as their conscience may dictate, and I shall think none the less of them for their acts. The News has been an enemy to the "joints" in this city and county, is still an enemy to them, and always will be an enemy to them or any institution that resembles a whiskey or beer dive as much as they do. For what we have said about these hell holes of degradation and destroyers of human souls in the past, we have not one word to retract nor any apology to offer or truce to declare. Some men engaged in this business are our friends, we regard them as gentlemen, but we are constitutionally opposed to their business now and forever. We repeat what we have said more than once before—that it is our honest opinion that the local option laws are constantly violated in this county, and that the majority of the best people in this county are opposed to the "joints" and the joint keepers know it. There is plenty of law to close them, and until we are convinced beyond a reasonable doubt that the officers, backed by the law and the people, cannot reach them, just so long do we propose to fight them. Then if the present law is not sufficient, we shall contend for one that does cover the case.

To the newly nominated peace officers, The News desires to say that you will receive our hearty support in your efforts to enforce the laws to the letter, and we have placed all our faith in your doing this; if you neglect to do this willfully you can expect to hear from us in no uncertain tones. So we trust you will not misunderstand our position, and when it becomes our duty to speak in the name of decency, honesty, morality and law enforcement, you'll find The News on the right side, where we shall fight until the victory is won, as no question is ever settled until it is settled right, and we have no apologies to offer to any one for upholding right and condemning the wrong.

Just look at the fellows who would be out of a job in case Mr. Bryan should defeat the big Ohioan.

Candidate Cunningham and the "Reporter" are as silent as the tomb over the congressional race. It never pays to play the game that these two tried to play.

The triumph of Robert Vance Davidson for attorney general of Texas was one of the most signal and deserved victories ever won for a faithful officer and the common people in the history of the state.

Taft's campaign treasurer was the small sum of \$3,000,000 with which to run the big fellows campaign. That is really a very modest amount and the big minded interests will likely see that the amount is forthcoming.

BUILD A COLLEGE

Colorado Now Has an Opportunity to Land a Good College—Let Us Get Busy.

The time is now ripe for the people of Colorado to secure a good college, and the opportunity ought to be taken advantage of. Last week Mr. McPherson, endowment Secretary of Texas Christian University at Waco, spoke to our people and the Commercial Club on the school question, and committees were appointed to see about raising money and securing a desirable campus, and this committee has already secured some nice pledges from our citizens. If The News understands the situation correctly, it is not a matter of just building a college of any specific denomination or belief, but the proposition is put to our people about in this manner: Colorado wants a good college, she needs one, and those who want to help build it are not confining themselves to any particular denominational school, but are asked to subscribe their money so that whenever opportunity offers we may be ready and have the money subscribed to a good institution that wants and offers to locate in our midst. It might be a Christian, Baptist, Methodist or Presbyterian school, and if so that is to cut no figure. We want and need a good institution right in our midst where our boys and girls can secure a good college education, and where other boys and girls can come and do likewise. We are informed that in the neighborhood of \$20,000 has gone out of Mitchell county the past 18 months to educate boys and girls in the different colleges of Texas, and this can just as easily be kept at home, and more brought here from the other counties outside.

One of the committee informs us that one gentleman who gave \$50 two years ago toward securing the Methodist College, has seen where he let the opportunity pass, and now proposes to subscribe \$1000 towards securing a college for Colorado. Colorado is a fine, ideal location for such an institution, and the town needs it, so let us wake up and realize our true needs and land a good college for the city.

Why Have a Bank Account.

It teaches economy.
It helps your credit.
It furnishes the best receipt for the money you pay out.
It creates business habits that will increase your savings.
It protects your funds against loss by robbery.
It provides you with an accurate and consecutive record of all money paid out.
It enables you to pay your bills with checks and avoid mistakes in making change.
It brings you into contact with the best business men of your community.
Money carried on the person exposes you to injury at the hands of footpads and hold-up men.
Your money in bank keeps the mills running, employs labor, and makes good and prosperous times for all.

Government Cattle Inspector.

Dr. Thomas B. Jones, government inspector, has made Colorado his headquarters. Any stockman wishing interstate shipment of cattle should notify Dr. Jones as many days ahead, of day of shipment, as possible to insure his being here for the inspection.

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Spring Guns and Murder.
A Ling county court convicted a man who set a spring gun in his trunk, which killed the landlady of a murder in the second degree. Malice was not proved, and the supreme court has just reversed the lower court and directed a new and fair trial. The case presents curious questions of law. It seems that the curiosity of the woman was the cause of her death. It is a warning to all to keep out of other people's trunks. Still, a man who sets a trap gun in his trunk should not go acquitted in such a case. Suppose the owner of the trunk left the city or died and it became lawful to open his trunk. It is a most dangerous method of protecting property.—Baltimore News.

Inspiring a Meal.
Habit, not hunger, caused the attorney to enter a lunchroom. He drummed the menu card indifferently, seeing upon it nothing to tempt his appetite. The waiter leaned heavily upon her, jeweled fingers and asked: "Your order, please?" "As the attorney lifted his eyes, he looked in amazement upon her wonderful coiffure. After studying for a moment the rolls, waves, puffs and kinky curls, he said, pleasantly: "Sausage and noodles."

"What a crazy order," confided the giggling girl to the wondering cook.

It's Campbell for governor for two years more, and he will be more more popular at the end of his second term than ever.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

The firm of Fryar & Fore is this day dissolved by mutual agreement, and all accounts against said firm, The West Texas News and Colorado Daily News have been assumed and are payable by J. A. Fore. All accounts due said papers are payable to Mr. Fore.

J. M. Fryar.
J. A. Fore.

July 22, 1908

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Davidson Defeats Winn.

There is no longer any doubt about R. V. Davidson being re-nominated for attorney general. The Dallas News, making a conservative estimate, says that Davidson's majority over Wynn will reach at least 25,000, and the Fort Worth Record, the strongest Wynn supporter in the state, concedes that Davidson is in the lead by 3,600, which means that Davidson is at least 15,000 ahead, with strong Davidson territory yet to hear from. The Record wired J. A. Fore as follows: "Davidson leads by thirty-six hundred, Wynn gaining Submission leads by six thousand and five hundred." The above telegram was received at 8:10 Tuesday morning.

Representative's Race.

No authentic information is yet available in regard to the representatives race between Judge Crockett and A. C. Wilmeth, and from the meager returns at hand the race seems to be in doubt. A phone message from Snyder Tuesday morning stated that Wilmeth claimed his election, but could give no figures. Wilmeth carried Scurry county by 140 majority, and Judge Crockett has carried this county by at least 250. Ector, Fisher, Scurry and Kent counties are claimed for Wilmeth by small majorities, while Crockett carried Mitchell, Lynn, Howard and Dawson, but the majorities are no known. It is impossible to get even the correct vote in this county on either state and county officers, as all ballots are under lock and key. Campbell carried the county by a small majority, and Davidson by a safe majority. More accurate returns will be given as soon as received.

Buy Your Saddles at Home

Don't send your money off for Saddles or Harness when you can buy something just as good or better at Home. If you need a saddle or any kind of Harness I can and will save you money.

I Also Sell Navajo Blankets.
Samuel Gustine.

THE DAILY NEWS

10 Cents per Week

Review of the Week

Breezy News Items of Interest That Our Reporters Have Gathered During the Week

Mrs. Dr. Ratliff and Mrs. W. L. Doss went to Roscoe this morning to install a Rebecca lodge.

J. F. Foote has gone to Comanche and other places east to visit for a week. When he returns Mrs. Foote will accompany him.

Mr. S. H. Kelsey and daughter Miss Lucile, are spending the day in Snyder.

Hon. W. P. Leslie went to Iatan today on legal business.

Tom Morrison Jr. left for Stanton this morning where he will spend several days.

J. B. Thomas and T. T. Furras of Navarro county who are prospecting in Mitchell county are in Colorado today. They are well pleased with the condition of the crops in Mitchell county, and reported good crops in Navarro county.

Mrs. Woodard of Talladega, Ala., who has been visiting her daughter Mrs. C. S. Ellis, returned home last night.

Heavy rains fell in the southern portion of the county yesterday evening.

Miss Augusta Harness, of Speed, Mo., is visiting her cousin Mrs. Anna H. Simon, and the family of her uncle, J. T. Harness.

Dan McMullen, the representative of the Will C. Free Sewing Machine, is here today on business with McLure, Basden Co., the firm that handles this machine. Dan says the Free is the best machine in the world and that McLure, Basden Co. stand ready to prove it to any one in doubts.

County Attorney W. Frank Robinson left this morning for Pauls Valley Oklahoma, on business.

Mr. C. L. Norton of Ira, is spending the day in Colorado. In speaking of Scurry county Mr. Norton grows very enthusiastic, he says that it is a regular fruit country, as they raise apples that measure 10 2-4 inches in circumference and peaches that are 9 1-2 in circumference. He reported cotton was good, although the lice were eating a great deal of it up.

Wednesday's Daily.

Mrs. M. A. Churchill and daughter Mrs. Vera Smothers, of Big Springs, are visiting friends in this city.

G. W. Greenfield and wife are visiting friends at Hermleigh.

J. W. Watson of Marlin is in Colorado prospecting.

Mrs. Edwin Brown who has been visiting relatives at Alpine returned home this morning.

Please phone us any items you may know. If any one is visiting you or your neighbor call up this office and tell us about it. We will appreciate it.

J. W. Shepperd was in Abilene Tuesday to see about operating his merry-go-round at the log rolling on Aug. 7th and 8th.

Rev. C. M. Shuffler came in from Claremont last night where he has been holding a meeting for several days, and will leave Friday for Eastland county to begin another one. After this meeting closes he will return to his home in Plainview.

Mack Pope, of Nashville, Ark., who has been visiting W. W. Watson, returned home this morning. He was accompanied as far as Abilene by Miss Maude Watson, of this city, where she will visit friends and relatives.

J. W. Persons left this morning for Barstow.

WANTED—One thousand dollars on subscription to The News in the next 60 days. Please come in and pay what you owe, and renew for one or more years.

Congressman Smith received a total of 883 votes in Taylor county, against 1484 for Cunningham.

Mesdames W. L. Doss and T. J. Ratliff returned this morning from Roscoe where they went to assist in the installation of the officers in the new Rebecca lodge in that city, and report a most pleasant time.

Mr. J. T. Allen, one of the progressive farmers of the Teeville community, and a good friend of The News, was in to see us Tuesday accompanied by Walter Dean. They were here to meet Mr. W. J. Dean, of Marguez, La., on county, who comes to look at our country with a view of buying land. We trust he may locate in our county.

Thursday's Daily.

The little infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Shepperd has been very sick for several days, and much uneasiness has been felt over its condition. It is thought to be better now.

Mrs. Louis L. Armstrong, who has been dangerously ill for some weeks, is, we are glad to say, much improved.

J. M. Fryar was in Merkel Wednesday morning. Misses J. M. and Jauneta Shropshire returned last night from Big Springs.

Miss Nettie Daton of Dallas is visiting her friend Miss Maude Farmer.

Miss Josie Mae Griswold is visiting her friend Miss Blanche Hooks at Teeville.

Little Tommie Sims, who was seriously hurt yesterday by falling on a barbed wire, is reported to be getting along very nicely today, and it is thought he will be out in a few days. Great anxiety was felt for a while, but all will be pleased to learn that he is not so dangerously hurt.

Mrs. Schuffler of Plainview is visiting Mrs. J. T. Griswold this week.

Seven new subscribers were added to our Daily list the past week without solicitation on our part. The News is going to grow, attend to its own business and treat everybody right, and on this platform we propose to make good.

Mrs. Mary Smith of Comanche who been visiting her brother Joe Key for the past week, left this morning for Sweetwater where she will visit relatives before returning home.

Howard Saunders and wife left last night for Houston where he has accepted a position with a tailoring firm of that city.

Mr. Herbert Henry and sister of Rising Star, who have been visiting relatives in this city returned home this morning.

L. E. Lasseter is laying the concrete foundation for a nice seven-room residence house in front of Dr. Sneed's handsome residence near the high school building.

Mrs. A. E. Curry of Calvert, Texas, has moved to Colorado, and for the present is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Arnett. Mr. Curry will arrive next week to join his family. They will remain here at least through the fall and winter, and The News joins the many friends of these excellent people in extending them a hearty return to Colorado.

DANGEROUS WOUND.

Wednesday's Daily.

This afternoon about 3:30 little Thomas Sims, five year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Sims, happened to a most unfortunate and perhaps fatal accident. He was on the picket fence which had a barbed wire stretched over it, and in some way the little fellow fell straddle of the wire and sustained most dangerous wounds that an operation may not be able to result in his life being saved. Physicians were hastily summoned, and are now in attendance. The friends of the family certainly hope that the little fellow may recover without serious difficulty.

Will Hold the Office.

Washington, July 25.—President Roosevelt has intervened to prevent the dismissal of Mrs. M. W. Morrow, daughter of Sam Houston, from the position of postmistress at Abilene. Some time ago the Postoffice Department intimated to Mrs. Morrow that her resignation would be accepted. Her advancing years prevented her giving the office the attention which was thought necessary, it is stated at the department. Friends of Mrs. Morrow apparently brought the matter to the attention of the president, who has informed Acting Postmaster General Grandfield that Mrs. Morrow is to be allowed to remain in her present position. Indeed, it is understood that the president said she could retain the office the remainder of her life. The office pays \$2,600 a year.

Does Not Promise Millennium.

In addressing a band of teachers and students who visited Fairview Saturday, Mr. Bryan said: "The democratic party is not expecting to bring the millennium through a democratic administration. Those who represent that party understand that governments are administered by human hands, and that all things man's hands touch do not attain to perfection. We do not expect our nation will be free from fault when it is entrusted in the hands of those who call themselves democrats. But it is the purpose of those who are called democrats to secure a better adjustment of the rewards of service, and they believe that this can be done by restoring the government to the ancient doctrines. They believe it can be done by making it more responsive to the will of the people, and if you will read the platform through you will find that there are several specific reforms that are asked for. One, for instance, is the election of senators by direct vote of the people. Why is that desired? In order that the same may be the servants of the people; in order that its representatives may speak for the people and reflect the sentiment of the people. It desires reduction of expenditures. Why? Because the people who pay the taxes are overburdened and the appropriations are larger than they ought to be. It desires the reformation of our system of taxation. Why? Because we believe that the present system lays too large a portion of the burden upon the struggling masses and collects too small a part from those with large fortunes and large incomes, and the income tax is suggested, not as a thing that is certain to bring about absolute justice, but as a thing that will lead to a nearer approach to justice in the distribution of the burdens of government."

The Abilene crowd must feel sore indeed over the magnificent showing made by statesman(?) Cunningham in the primaries last Saturday.

Side walk building in Colorado continues.

BIG FIRE AT QUANAH

Loss Is Entirely in Business District of City—No Loss of Life Reported

Quanah, July 29.—An immense fire in this city today caused the loss of property to the amount of over eighty thousand dollars and resulted in the complete destruction of several of the most prominent business houses in the heart of the city. The fire was first discovered in the rear of the large hardware house of Lewis & Sayles and quickly spread to other buildings close by. The chief losses follow:

Goodlet & Newberry, \$30,000. Blaunt Dry Goods company, \$11,000.

Lewis & Sayles, \$30,000.

A. Hall, \$10,000.

The first three stores mentioned were practically gutted and the remaining one had one whole department ruined.

All losses were partially covered by insurance.

Must File Accounts.

According to The News' interpretation of the law, each candidate who ran for office in the recent primaries must file an expense account, either with the county judge or county clerk. Under the law, if we interpret it correctly, all candidates for public office are required within ten days to file an itemized account of all moneys expended in the interest of their campaign. This includes advertising, traveling expenses, horse or buggy hire, "setting 'em up" to the boys, and in fact everything from a nickel up to a \$50 advertising bill.

The candidates complying with the law must make a clean breast of every cent spent and it is probable some of the papers filed will tell interesting stories.

Up to Thursday evening no bill of expense had been filed, but several are doubtless in preparation and will be filed by Saturday.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

Following is the program for the B. Y. P. U. Sunday Aug. 2, 5 p. m.:

Opening exercises. Subject, The race of faith. Leader, Jamie Sherwin. Scripture lesson, Heb. 11:32, 12:1-2.

Hymn. Solo, Ruth Nichols. Reading.

We must lay aside the sin which so easily besets us, T. R. Greenfield.

We must lay aside the weights, Will Homan.

Running with patience, Local McKaughan.

The race set before us, Jack Farmer.

Talk. Open sin has no place in a life of faith, Rev. Nichols.

Closing exercises.

Killing the Johnson Grass.

Dumas, Texas, July 28.—The sprinkle tank which left Galveston last week on its initial trip is now killing Johnson grass between Dumas and Harrisburg. General Superintendent F. A. Lister of the Galveston, Houston and Henderson railway, in company with Prof. I. F. Orton of Galveston, arrived here this morning to go over the ground together. They expressed themselves highly pleased with the results. This process is the solution of the Johnson grass problem of the track and right of way of railroads, as it is cheaper and more effective than any other method, and requires only one man to operate and at the rate of fifteen miles per hour the grass and weeds on the track are quickly killed.

Land Bargains.

320 acres of land 2 1-2 miles of Hermleigh, Texas, for sale. See Chas. Ross at A. J. Payne's store.

Resignation Accepted.

The resignation of Rev. G. H. Airhart, pastor of the First Baptist church was acted on and accepted at the meeting held at the church last night, to take effect the first of September.

Rev. Airhart has been pastor of the church here since the spring of 1906, about two years and six months, and has made many friends. He has been in delicate health for sometime and not able to serve his congregation as he thought he should, hence his resignation.

In conversation with the Telegram man this morning Rev. Airhart stated that he did not know that he would leave Merkel at all, if he did it would be October or November before he did so. Further, that he had one meeting to hold in Mitchell county, after which he would take a month's needed rest at some health resort before attempting any further work. He is a good man and the Telegram would like to see him remain a citizen of Merkel.—Merkel Telegram.

Epworth League Program.

Following is the program for Epworth League Sunday Aug. 2, 7:15 p. m.:

Subject—The passing of Prejudice: The Liberated Life. Leader—Miss Alice Shuford. Singing and prayer.

Song.

Short prayers.

Scripture reading—Leader. Introduction and lesson—Prof. C. L. McDonald.

What can we do to remove prejudice from our own lives?—Jas. Baxter.

Song. Scripture bearing on lesson and explanation, by all the leaguers.

Contrast Saul of Tarsus and Paul the Apostle—M. K. Jackson.

Song.

Discussion of lesson, by the leaguers.

Benediction.

Help Your Local Paper.

A newspaper man is presumed to know everything of a local character. This is a mistake. It often happens that items of local visitors or happenings escape him and the people are surprised that no mention is made of it in the paper. The editor's duties are many, and it is very hard to keep up with all the news. It may be truthfully said that it is the desire of all newspaper men to give the local news, but they can't do it unless they are in possession of it. If you know anything of interest let the paper man know it. He will take it kindly and appreciate your service.—Ex.

Attention Home Circle Members.

Assessment No. 11, has been made for \$1.00 per member and must be paid on or before Aug. 10, 1908. I don't get but 3cts per member for collecting and remitting with list of those who pay, so you will please not depend on me to call on you more than once, if at all. Those who pay the \$1.00 will have \$1,000 insurance which is as good as gold, and those who do not, are out on this count. Hoping you will be interested enough to settle in due time. I am yours for the protection of the wife and babes.

Ernest Keathley, Sec.

Big Time at Abilene.

August 7th and 8th, is the time of the West Texas Log Rolling Association, and Abilene is the place, and every Woodman and others as well are invited to attend. Abilene is going to put the big pot in the little one and make soup out of the legs, seasoned with barbecued beef and mutton, and flavored with genuine hospitality and good cheer. Free barbecue each day, and a big time for everybody. Reduced rates from all points on the railroads that enter Abilene. Of course you want to go. Can't afford to miss it.

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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 7th day of July, A. D. 1908, in the case of J. W. Watson versus J. A. Alderson and J. C. Ridenas, No. 1149, and to me, as Sheriff, directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 7th day of July, A. D. 1908, and will between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m., on the first Tuesday in August, A. D. 1908, 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 J. A. Alderson and J. C. Ridenas had on the 5th day of June, A. D. 1908, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Resident lot number One (No. 1) in block number Twelve (No. 12) in the Town of Loraine, according to the plat of said Town, a copy of which is of record in the Deed Records of said county in Vol. 16, Page 600, said property being levied on as the property of J. A. Alderson and J. C. Ridenas to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$125.08, in favor of J. W. Watson, and note of sale.

Given under my hand this 7th day of July, A. D. 1908.

J. W. BIRD,
Sheriff Mitchell County, Texas.

Methodist Camp Meeting.

The annual Methodist Camp Meeting will begin at Dunn, on August 7th, conducted by Rev. J. T. Griswold and Rev. M. S. Hotchkiss. Bro. Hotchkiss held the meeting there last year, and it proved to be one of the best ever held in West Texas. He is a very able preacher, and with the local help he will have this year a far greater meeting is expected than last. The people in the Dunn community have purchased a large tent, and ample provisions will be made for all who will attend. Dunn affords a nice camping place, plenty of good water, and the people there will extend a cordial welcome to all who attend.

August 7th is the day, and everybody is invited.

Bids Wanted.

Bids are requested for a frame building for a Sunday school to be erected by the Baptist church. Plans and specifications can be seen at the office of F. M. Burns. The right is reserved to award the contract to any one without regard to bid, or to reject any or all bids if it should seem best to do so. Leave bids with F. M. Burns. The Building Com.