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C. W. POST ENDS OWN LIFE

Multi-Millionaire, Well Known in Texas Puts End to Own Life at Santa Barbara, Cal.

C. W. Post, the wealthy cereal food manufacturer of Battle Creek, Michigan, ended his own life last Saturday in his apartment at Santa Barbara, California, where he had gone for his health.

Mr. Post had been in failing health for several months, and recently submitted to a difficult operation. He was able to be about and had excused himself from his wife and nurses saying he wanted to retire to his private room for a while. Soon a shot was heard and Mrs. Post and a nurse rushed to his room to find him dead. The coroner's inquest rendered the verdict that he had come to his death by firing the shot himself.

Mr. Post formerly resided at Fort Worth and his parents still reside in that city. Not many years ago he was a man of limited means, but after moving to Battle Creek and engaging in the breakfast food manufacture he rapidly increased his holdings, until he had become a multi-millionaire.

Several years ago he established the town of Post City, in Garza County. Among some of the enterprises established there was a cotton mill, which is one of the most complete plants in the country.

He devoted much time looking after his holdings at Post City, and during the great drouth of recent years he received much publicity, because of his efforts to secure rainfall as the result of incessant blasting and use of dynamite.

Farmers' Institutes.

Under the direction of the State Department of Agriculture, Farmers' Institutes will be held at the following places:

Post City, May 19, 1:30 p m. Sweetwater, May 2?, 1:30 p. m. Snyder, May 21, 1:30 p. m.

The place of meeting will be announced by the local committee at each point.

These institutes will be conducted by Mr. J. W. Neill, Director of Farmers Institutes, who will discuss diversification; rotation; seed selection and control of injurious insects.

Officers of the institutes already organized will please assist in getting the farmers out to hear these important questions discussed.

The State Department of Agriculture publishes from time to time, valuable reports upon topics of vital interest to the farmers of the state. All institutes will receive copies of all bulletins issued by the Department free of cost, and will be placed on the regular mailing list for future bulletins and reports.

The institutes are farmers' meetings devoted to the upmuilding of the best interest of the farmers. It is urged, therefore, that farmers bring their families and devote at least, one day to the careful study and discussion of the agricultural questions which lie nearest their hearts.

ED. R. KONE, Commissioner.

The Rev. Martin Anstey, M. A., B. D., an associate of Dr. G. Campbell Morgan, of London, England, and author of a work now attracting attention, entitled, "The Romance of Bible Chronology," is to visit this country in July. He will lecture at the Moody Bible Institute of Chicaga, and supply one or two pulpits in that city, as well as speak at Montrose and Winona. Mr. Anstey demonstrates from the chronology of the Bible that the early chapters of Genises are historic, and that the claim for the high antiquity of man is unfounded.

TWO PERSONS HELD FOR GRAND JURY ON TWO CHARGES

Before United States Commissioner W. D. Girand Monday evening Will Robinson of Sweetwater, charged with illegally selling intoxicants, was given a preliminary hearing and bound over to the Federal grand jury in the sum of $500. Upon giving bail in that sum he was released from custody.

E. F. Jones of this city had a preliminary hearing before Commissioner W. D. Girand on an alleged charge of selling intoxicants without a federal license. His bond was fixed at $500. Failure to make same at a late hour caused his return to the custody of the officers.—Abilene Daily Reporter.

Young man, did you ever stop to think of the consequences that invariably follow the awful cigarette habit? Do you realize that the habit, once fastened upon you will be very hard to shake off? While perchance the habit may not cause cancer, insahity or any of the other awful diseases for which it is often a mighty factor in developing, still there are no good results to be gotten from it. You may make good in a measure in spite of the habit, but no man has ever been at his best after this habit has gotten its awful fangs upon him. Better do the wise thing and cut out the habit now.

Every young man, and woman, as well should resolve early in life to save a part of their earnings. One of the greatest mistakes that a vast majority of young people make lies in the fact that they cultivate the habit of spending all of their salary for the present and overlook the all-important fact thati ater on in life the inevitable "rainy day" will come when they are not in a position to make money. The characteristic of being economical in life is worth much along the pathway, and at no time can this be cultivated so well as when the young man or woman begins to earn their own livlihood. The young person who never places his ideal higher than a rented home or a salaried job is making a serious mistake. Especially should every young man resolve early in life to own his own home. Nothing tends more to stability and success in life than to own a home. Own a home, even if it is humble and not of the palatial order.

MOTHER.

Last Sunday, many carnations were worn in honor of Mother. On that day many memories of mother and her love were brought to the minds of men and women afresh. To those who are now bereft of a living mother's love, the fact that the day was set apart and exercises held throughout the nation in her honor caused many thousands of people to look back to the time when they enjoyed the tender care of mother and were blessed with her presence.

Those who still have mother with them were reminded of the great blessing they enjoy and were made to resolve more firmly to not only be more thoughtful and kind toward her, but to live the life that will honor and be a source of gratification to her.

Woodman unveiling Sunday to deceased sovereign, W. E. Davis. Large crowd present including member from Ira, Dunn, Camp Springs and Hermleigh camps. Principal address delivered by Rev. M. T. Tucker.

T. C. Stinson of Ira is here this week attending commissioners court. Mr. Stinson says his part of the county has a good season and with a few thunder showers up the creek in June will make a good crop.

SERVICES WERE MOVED

On Account of Rain and Cold Wave Tuesday the Revival was Moved to Baptist Tabernacle.

On account of the rain and cold wave that struck this town Tuesday, the revival that is in progress at the corner of Scarborough and Plaid streets was removed to the Baptist Tabernacle Tuesday night where a large crowd greeted the speaker and a great service was held. It is understood that the services will be continued at the union tabernacle while the weather is favorable.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE

Hon. A. J. Hagins of Kent county, present representative of the 105th district, comes before the people of Scurry county in this issue of The News for renomination in the July Primaries. Mr. Hagin has held the office only one term and asks for re-nomination on the well established democratic rule that where a public servant has been faithful to his trust that he be given a second term. He asks the closest scruting of his record at Austin, and as a life long, loyal democrat. He is a farmer and places the agricultural interest of the district as one of the foremost issues in his platform.

ELECTED TEACHE S

The following teachers were elected Saturday night.

NORTH WARD

Miss Lela Porter, principal.
Miss Mary Heath, primary.

WEST WARD

Miss Veda Maxwell, principal
Miss Ida Kelley, primary.

CENTRAL BUILDING

PRIMARY

Miss Ball,
Miss Grace Moore
Miss Zada Maxwell
Miss Maggie Hull
Miss Dannie Lee Sears.

HIGH SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

Miss Klapproth,

Principal, and two teachers in the high schoolyet to elect.

Prof. Watson was unanimously re-elected superintendent.

IMPROVE CEMETERY

The people of Pyron met Tuesday and spent the day in beautifying their cemetery grounds. Almost the entire community is reported to have responded to the call and the net result was that the grounds are now in good condition, and it is the intention of the community to keep them that way.

G. M. Garner left first of the week for Houston on business.

MARTINEZ HANGED FOR MURDER OF MISS BROWN AT PECOS

After one of the hardest legal battles known to legal procedure in Texas, covering a period of over two years, Leon Cardenas Martinez was hanged at noon last Monday in the Pecos county jail. Young Martinez was tried and convicted of the brutal murder of Miss Brown, a school teacher in the Summer of 1911. He became infatuated with the young woman and after she refused to pay him the attention that he demanded, it is claimed that he sneaked up to her while she was traveling alone and brutally beat and stabbed her to death. A special session of the grand jury was called and Martinez indicted on the charge of murder in the first degree. The Mexican at first plead guilty to the crime, but later denied knowing anything about it.

After the trial and conviction, plea was set up that Martinez was under eighteen, and could therefore not be legally hanged. It was also claimed that he was not a citizen of Texas and the case was taken to the Federal courts. The higher courts disclaimed jurisdiction and the State Courts affirmed the district court. The date was set for him to die April 21, but Governor Colquitt was appealed to for a respite until an appeal could be made to Judge Maxey, which was futile.

Martinez went to the gallows protesting his innocence but said he was not afraid to die. He refused to be talked to by priest or minister, saying he was prepared to die. While on the gallows he was asked if there was anything he wanted to say. He replied that there was nothing unless someone wanted to ask him a question.

In an adjoining cell in the Pecos jail is Fernanda Subia another Mexican convicted of the murder of the City marshall of Pecos several weeks ago, who will die on the same gallows May 29th.

Parable on Boys.

Verily in this day and generation the father raiseth up his son on the streets and sidewalks. He laveth around the soda fount and imbibeth slop and hook-worms. He groweth in knowledge of nothing save cigarettes and cuss words.

When he attains the age of sixteen he acquires a suit of clothes turned up two furlongs above his feet. He displayeth a pair of noisy socks with purple back-ground and violets to the front. He weareth low-cut tan shoes, and also a green tie. He looketh like a banana merchant on the streets of Cairo.

The inside of his head resembles the inside of a pumpkin. He falleth in love with a spindle-shanked girl with pink ribbons in her hair; and craveth for an automobile that he may ride her forth in Spring time. He scattereth his pin money like a cyclone scattereth a rail fence. He sitteth up at night to write poetry and giveth no thought to the multiplication table. His mind turneth to the varieties of life, and not to the high cost of cornbread.

Verily he needeth a board applied vigorously to the Southwest corner of his anatomy.

He thinketh his father a plodder and his mother a back number. He pictureth to himself great riches suddenly acquired. He dreameth of steam yachts and private cars.

Yea, he thinketh himself the real stuff. He butteth in where he is not wanted. He criticiseth his elders. He purchaseth cheap perfume and smelleth louder than a billy goat.

When he groweth up he getteth a job in a store at $1 per day and swipeth extra change from his boss until he is caught.—Exchange.

THE WEATHER MAN BUSY

For the Past Ten Days Cold, Cloudy Weather has Predomieated with Hail ane Rain

The weather man has served up a duke's mixture during the the past ten days over this section of West Texas, varying all the way from the torid to the cold winds from the region of borealis. Cloudy, cold weather has predominated with a liberal quanity of hail and rain, the later counterbalancing any ill effects of the cold wave that struck us, consequently the old saying that it is an ill wind that blows nobody any good is also true in this instance Rain began to come down gently about daylight this, Thursday morning and kept falling for several hours, the moisture to meet. Oats and wheat that had received a like amount will mature. Farmers generally have about finished planting.

ABOUT MEXICO.

Wiley B. Akers, son of Mrs. M. D. Akers of this place, arrived here Wednesday from Vera Cruz, Mexico. He has the following to say concerning conditions in that country: "I managed to get along very well through three years of fighting up until the occupation of Vera Cruz by U. S. troops. After hostilities began here I considered that I was lucky to get away my life, the sentiment against Americans being to kill them on sight. After Vera Cruz was taken a mob of Mexicans demolished all American business houses; to the British minister, Lionel Carden, is due the honor of protecting American lives.

"Mexico City I consider in eminent danger of falling into the hands of Zapatistas' and other bands of robbers. If this occurs the entire city will be looted and a general massacre take place. In my opinion the time has come for the United States to put her troops in field and act without delay. Enough has already been done to give any nation a just cause to declare war. The crises is here and delay cannot better the conditions, nor can the ultimate conflict be avoided."

CLOSING EXERCISES OF SCHOOL

The closing exercises of the public schools will take place next week as follows:

School closes Friday; May 22

On Sunday at 11:00 a. m. the Comencement Sermon will be delivered by Dr. J. D. Sandefer, of Abilene.

Monday night, 8:30, commencement exercises proper at the Opera House.

Friday morning, 10:00 o'clock, graduating exercises of Grammar School will be held at the Opera House.

Friday night at 8:30, a general program by the pupils of the High School.

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Announcements

We are authorized to announce the following subject to the action of the Democratic primary

FOR CONGRESS—16th district
W. R. Smith

For Congressman-at-Large:
R. B. Humphrey
(Of Thockmortin Co.)

For Representative (105th Representaeive District):
A. J. Hagins, of Kent Co.

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY
Jas. P. Stinson, (re.election)

FOR DISTRICT CLERK
Walter Adamson

FOR COUNTY JUDGE
C. R. Buchanan

FOR COUNTY CLERK
W. T. Skinner

FOR COUNTY ATTORNEY:
Richard Webb
W. W. Weems

FOR TREASURER
C. R. Lockhart

FOR TAX COLLECTOR
W. M. Curry
D. Nation

FOR SHERIFF
J. B. Boles, (re-election)
W. A. Merrell

FOR JUSTICE OF PEACE and Com. Pre. No. 1.
G. W. Brown

For Commissioner Precinct No. 1
W. T. Thompson.

Commissioner Precinct No. 4. and Justice of the Peace
T. L. WINSTON.

FOR PUBLIC WEIGHER
Precinct No. 1.
S. M. (Sam) Hull
Zack Evans

The fall of Huerta seems to be near at hand, and when it occurs there will be no "night of weeping" for the usurper. The murder of Madero has been avenged.

This is how Frank James says he would handle Mexico if he were President of the U. S. "I would give Hureta twenty-four hours in which to addicate; then I would call for an army of 400,000 men; I would send these men into Mexico from all sides; I would smother the country and the annex it to the United States" Many others see where Frank is right.

Road Boud Elections.

Fort Worth, Texas.—There were ten road and bridge bond elections conducted in the various countied of Texas during April, according to a report issued by the Texas Business Men's Association. Of this number six resulted in victories of authorizing the issuance of highway bonds in the sum of $639,500, compared with $640,000 for the same month of 1913. The four defeated issues had a value of $800,000. There was only one election recalled during the month and that was in the Plano distrsct of Collin county and involved bonds to the amount of $100,000. During the four months of this year road improvment bonds aggregating $5,346,500 in highway bonds were authorized.

The following are counties, precincts and dates in which the successful elections were held during April; Comal, entire county 13th, $17,000; Denton, Mustang precinct, 25th, $22,500; Hays, entire county, 25th, $100,000; Kaufman, Terrel and Elmo Precincts, 16th, $300,000; Scurry entire county 11th, $50 000.

The defeated issues are: Brewentire county 4th, $100,000; Denton, special road district No. 2, 25th, $300.000; Hunt, Commerce district, 11th, $200,000; Kaufman, Kaufman district 16th, $200,000.

Of the four elections defeated. three of them got a majority vote but lacked the necessary two-thirds which is required by law.

Immediately after the defeat- of the $200,000 highway bonds in Commerce district of Hunt county, the citizens began the circulation of a petition asking for another election at an early date to vote on a similar amount. It is thought a second attempt would result successfully.

The $7,000 road and bridge bonds in Comal county were issued without an election. The county commissioners passed order decreeing the issuance of these bonds.

Will Begin Survey Shortly

McKenney, Texas.—Tentative plans have been made for the surveying of the Interurban line to be constructed between this prosed road, the officials say granding will be started and the road rushed to completion without unnecessary delay. The line will be built via. Blue Ridge, Leonard. Bonham and then parallel the Texas & Pacific railroad to Paris. The interurban will be about seventy-four miles long.

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"Nineteen sailor boys and marines who died fighting for the Stars and Stripes at Vera Cruz litterally laid down their lives for their country's flag. They went to death without a tremor. They met unseen foes without flinching. Their lives were consecrated to service, their deaths were glorious.

"Tha bravest are the tenderest.
The loving are the daring."

President Wilson journeyed to New York to pay National tribute to their valor.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. McMullin left Tuesday for Fort Worth to attend the bedside of their son, Walker McMullin, who is reported critically ill.

TAPPING THE SOURCE OF CHEAP MONEY

EDITOR'S NOTE:—This is the third of a series of Articles on AGRICULTURAL PROBLEMS prepared by Judge S. A. Lindsey, chairman of the Texas Farm Life Commission.

There are land loan and trust companies throughout this nation. They operate in this way: they will take up land notes drawing 8, 9 and 10 per cent and sell them in the East at a rate which will net the investors 5 and 6 per cent. In this way they make from 2 to 5 per cent per annum on each note. This is legitimate. I only mention it to prove that our land securities can and do find cheaper money than the local market's offer.

The bill now before Congress proposes to authorize the organiation of Land Mortgage Banks, with Federal supervision same as National Banks. These Land Mortgage Banks will make loans on land notes where the title is good, to the extent of half the appraised value of the land. The mortgage bank will see that the title is good and the value is there, just as banks usually do. They will file these notes with Uncle Sam who will authorize the bank to issue its own bonds or promises to pay in such denominations as are easiest sold, not to exceed in the aggregate the sum of the mortgages and notes held. On these Uncle Sam, who is known as a square man all over this and European countries, will affix some kind of stamp or sign which will mean that the bank issuing it is under his supervission, and that no fake methods nave been used. The capital of the bank will be involved and will insure great care on the part of the bank taking the land note and mortgages, and Uncle Sam's supervision will give the investors confidence.

Uncle Sam requires that these banks must lend money on land notes and mortgages at not exceeding 1 per cent above what they can sell their bonds for. So if the bank pays 5 per cent on its bonds the borrower will pay the bank 6 per cent which is from 1 to 3 per cent less than other loan companies now make. You say no one would organize one of Uncle Sam's banks when he is allowed to make but 1 per cent on loans. But Uncle Sam is going to encourage his land banks. He now lends his Postal Savings funds to banks at 2 per cent, and that money is used in commerce. Henceforth he is going to lend it to the mortgage banks, who are to let the farmers have it. He is going to let his land banks take mortgages and land notes and sell their bonds up to fifteen times their capital and surplus. You see these mortgage banks are nothing but a kind of note-broker concern for the farmers, and their compensation for finding the source of cheap money and keeping that class of securities in good standing is 1 per cent per annum to be paid by the farmers whom they serve. They can make over 15 per cent on their capital and surplus. That is pretty good.

But before one of these banks can be organized in Texas we will have to adopt the Torrens system of land title registration. We should have done this long ago. The money people pay to record titles would build up a fund ample to insure all land titles and leave an immense surplus besides.

But the land mortgage banks will not entirely enable the landless man to buy a home. In my next article I will suggest an easy and feasible method by which this can be done.

IS CHEAP MONEY A POSSIBILITY?

EDITOR'S NOTE:—This is the first of a series of Articles on AGRICULTURAL PROBLEMS prepared by Judge S. A. Lindsey, chairman of the Texas Farm Life Commission.

I am to write a series of short articles relating to agricultural problems. In this one I shall show that it is possible for money to be had by Texas farmers on good land security at 6 per cent and on cotton at 5 per cent. It is only a question of arranging the security and taking down the bars which keep money from land securities.

All will agree that there is much money in the world to be had at 4 and 5 per cent if the security is satisfactory; that there is no better security than agricultural lands and cotton, if the land is good, well improved and kept in that condition and the cotton is first-class staple, well ginned, baled, wrapped and dry securely housed in a warehouse and insured.

If evidence is required here it is: All over Europe land security gets money at from 3 to 4½ per cent. Money is not chained down in Europe and a difference of 1 per cent will bring it here provided the security is the kind that the investor is accustomed to. In many Northern and Eastern states money is seeking investment in good land securities at 5 and 6 per cent. The cotton warehouse people in Memphis borrow money, all they want, at 4 per cent. I have seen apples 25 cents a bushel in Missouri and $2 a bushel in Texas; peaches 40 cents a bushel in Texas and $3.75 in Colorado. Why? For the same reason that money is 4 and 6 per cent in other states and countries and 8 and 10 per cent in Texas, which is that fruit growers and fruit consumers have no means of dealing directly with each other and the agencies that bring the two together take the difference.

Last summer while discussing the subject of rural credits with Messrs. Wolf and Cahill of London, the two best authorities in the world on the subject, one of them said: "Money talks to such only as understand its language. All one has to do to get cheap money is to learn to speak its language and go where it is. Money has no home affections. It hunts security and interest rate. The first thing one thinks of when contemplating rural credits is, where is the money to be obtained. This is an unwarranted uneasiness. Arrange the security so it speaks the language that money understands and it will come."

The other day a Texan giving testimony before the congressional committee having before it the subject of rural credits mentioned "vendor's lien notes"; the discussion that followed showed that congressmen, senators and financiers had never heard of a vendor's lien note. The only ones who understand the Texas vendor's lien security are Texans, and they would be foolish to lend money at 5 and 6 per cent when they can get 8 and 10 per cent. German money understands the meaning of Landshaften debentures; Austrian money the bonds of the land mortgage banks and the French money the language of the credit Foncie. If we want German, Austrian or French money at their interest rates, or Eastern money at rates prevailing there, we must arrange our securities so they can speak the language of these monies.

In my next article I will tell how this may be done. I will also point to an abundance of cheap Texas money which would safely cross the barrier to the farms of Texas if we do not by law keep the fence up.

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Suppose one wishes to borrow on land security, $10,000. It is not easy to find one person who has that sum to lend. When he does he finds a man of affairs who will lend the money only on such rates as prevail in that community. It is easier to find twenty persons with $500 or a hundred with $100 each. In Eastern states and in European countries working people and persons of small means put by their savings in saving banks which pay 3 and 4 per cent on time deposits. The savings banks assemble many hundred millions of dollars. The deposits in the Postals Savings Bank of this nation already amount to $40,000,000 although they pay only 2 per cent interest. People of small means are the greatest source of cheap money. Their money builds sky-scrapers, factories, ships railroads, telegraph telephone systems and so on, which is assembled in this wise: The enterprise is incorporated and issues mortgage bonds. A million dollars may be put into bonds of $50 each, bearing 4 or 5 or 6 per cent interest. Concerns which make a business of selling such securities furnish the money desired and sell these bonds to investors in such securities among whom will be clerks, book-keepers, laborers, school-teachers, preachers, professional people, and all kinds of non-business persons. Thus is capital assembled which finances big enterprises. The rich do not, as some suppose, furnish cheap money; they borrow and use the money of non-business people.

Every one of Uncle Sam's industries except his greatest, agriculture, has worked out methods of getting to the source of cheap money, and he has decided to work out a system for that neglected industry. He sends his agents to all parts of the world. Some of these in the countries of Continental Europe have reported that the people there have systems of rural credits which manage to tap this great source of cheap money just as other industries do, and receive copious streams of finance which give new life and vigor to agriculture, causing the fields to bring forth five-fold. Desiring to see what light these systems might shed on our agricultural problems President Wilson sent a Commisson last year throughout Europe to investigate the systems there. This commission saw that land mortgage securities when issued in small denominations so that people of small means could purchase them with their savings were the favorite of all securities. People every where love the soil; they dwell upon it, from it comes their food and raiment, and they have faith in it above all things else, even above the government itself. Hence they who went on this investigation found that land securities everywhere commanded cheaper money than the bonds of the governments, and these securities have stood the test of a hundred years.

The methods are so simple and the benefits so great and widespread that one seeing them wonders why we should not long ago have adopted some similiar method suited to agricultural conditions here. This Commission has prepared a plan which is now before Congress and which I will explain in my next article.

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This is a question that has been puzzling John C. Langan, a real estate man, ever since he just saved himself by a quick dodge from under the hoofs of a spirited horse that was on its way to the postoffice, pulling one of Uncle Sam's wagons.

When he found he was not even scratched, Mr. Lahgan sat him down and wrote to Postmaster William E. Kelley, complaining of the actions of the horse. It is no joking matter to complain to the government about any thing, even so trifling a matter as an eccentric horse, so Mr. Langan was not surprised to receive a long letter from the postmaster. It covered the ground thoroughly and wound up as follows:

"Action has been taken accordingly, regarding the furnishing of a horse to haul this wagon that will not endanger the lives of pedestrains.".

Not to be out done in politeness, Mr. Langan wrote, thanking Postmaster Kelly for his interest, but being a humanitarian, he added a plea for the animal that had caused the trouble, thus:

"For fear that it may be the intention to jail, or otherwise prosecute the offending (?) horse, I hasten to appeal for clemency in his behalf, and would ask that his punishment consist only of supplanting him by a nag whose prowess consist of keeping to the middle af the road, at a fixed walk regardless of the driver's wishes."—Brooklyn Daily Eagle.

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A stand in favor of the homestead exemption laws of Texas so as to allow this state to participate in the benefits of the proposed Federal farm land bank act was taken by the Texas Bankers Association last Thursday, May 7th. A. Porduns, of Texarkana, was chosen president of the association.

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La Porte, Tex.—Work on the bay shore loop of the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio railroad is being rnshed and will probably ready for operation about the middle of August. This road will branch off from the main line at a point one-half mile from this city and will again connect with the main road at Seabrook. The road will be 13 miles long when completed and will be traversed by mortor cars.

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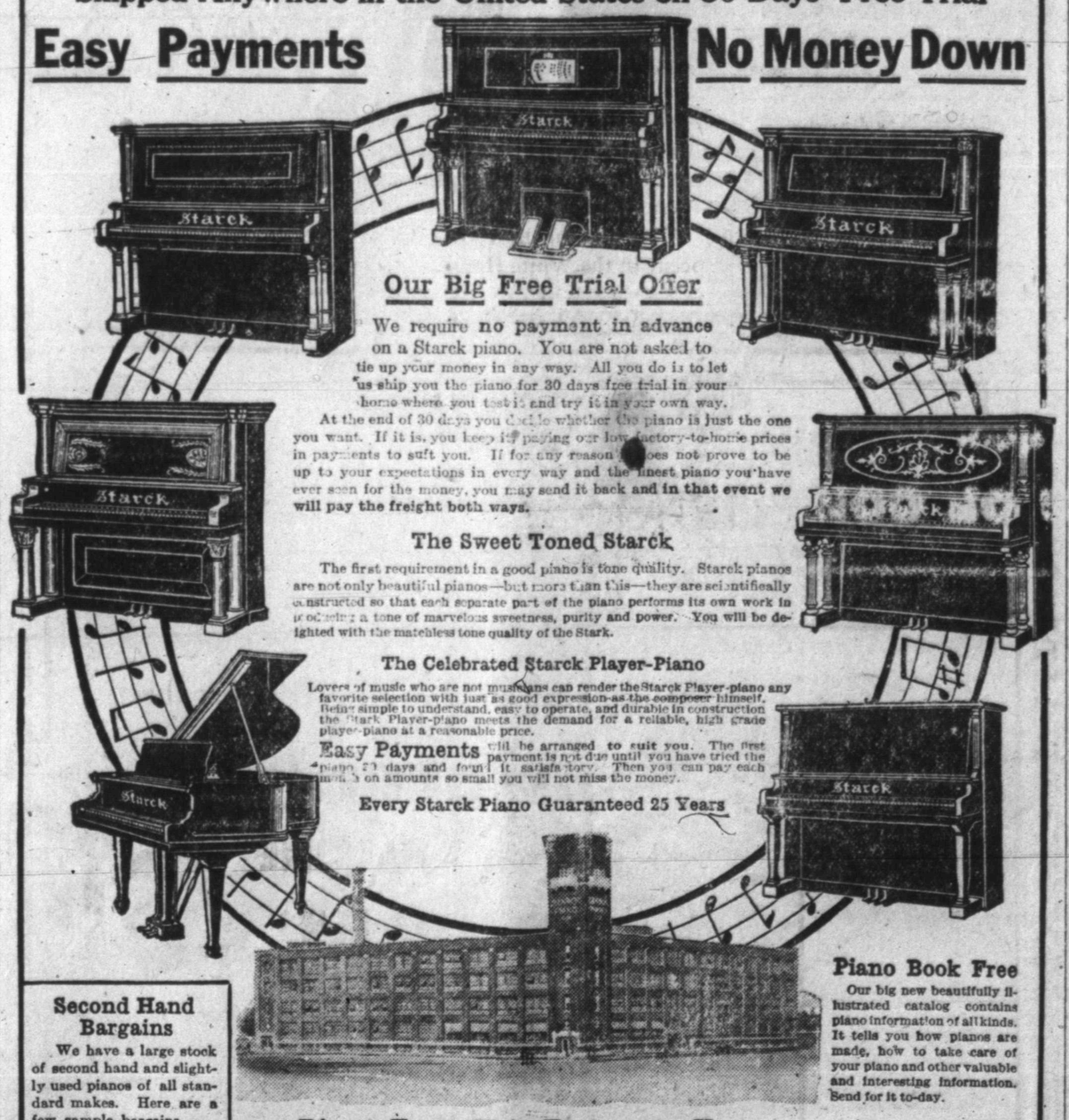
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LOCAL AND PERSONAL

W. A. Johnson made a business trip to the plains this week.

D. I. Rhoads was in the city Wednesday from east of town.

G. N. Richardson of Dunn was in town Wednesday.

See H. M. Boyd for complete abstracts. Office over First State Bank. 3-tf

Sea gulls are reported in great numbers in various parts of the county.

Commissioners court is in session this week with a full quorum present.

W. J. Evans and Bill Thompson, well known citizens of Ira were in town Tuesday.

Smith Brock, commissioner from Hermleigh is here attending court this week.

Walker McMullan was removed from Marlin to Fort Worth. His condition is reported unchanged.

T. L. McMillan spent a few days with home folks in the city this week.

H. P. Wellborn was in from his farm near Knapp one day this week.

M. H. Boyd from west of town was in the city one day this week.

It is reported that the hail drifted a foot deep on the road between Dunn and Colorado Wednesday.

F. I. Townsend, county agricultural demonstrator was in town Wednesday.

Prof. Menetee is home from Austin where he has been a student in the University during the past four years.

Prof. J. W. Leftwich of Hermleigh was in Snyder, Sunday visiting friends. Prof. Leftwich is one of the most successful school men in the county.

Fishing parties to the Colorado river are of frequent occurrence these days. The latest was composed of the following experts with the rod: Tom Casstevens, E. A. Warren, E. L. Thompson and Dale Warren.

Joe Huffman is very sick in east Snyder; not expected to live.

Dr. Palmer of Dunn was in town Wednesday.

Bill Taylor and Geo. Richardson of Dunn were here Wednesday.

Prof. Bannister, brother of Dr. J. M. Bannister spent a few days in Snyder this week.

B. E. Wagoner from his farm on the Colorado river was here Wednesday.

John Moore, of Gordon, Texas, is spending a few days with his brother, M. E. Moore in east Snyder.

J. W. Hudnell, postmaster at Hud was in town the first of the week.

Mrs. E. H. Higginbotham lef Wednesday to visit her parents at Amarrilo.

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Ben F. Smith, editor of the Lockney Beacon visited friends in Snyder this week.

Joe Golden of Canyon was in town Wednesday. Joe reports a heavy hail Tuesday, but will do slight damage.

Gen. and Mrs. James James of Abilene visited their daughter, Mrs. G. S. Hardin and family the first of the week.

T. C. Stinson of Ira is here this week attending commissioners court. Mr. Stinson says his part of the county has a good season and with a few thunder showers up the creek in June will make a good crop.

Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Roberts of Plainview are visiting their daughter, Mrs. J. C. Maxwell and family in the city. Rev. Roberts was pastor of the Methodist church of Snyder several years ago.

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Mexican Hanged

Leon Martinez, the Mexican youth, paid the penalty of death at Pecos, Monday, for the murder of Miss Emma Brown. The crime was committed some three three years ago, and had been in court since that time.

Martinez refused to see either preacher or priest.

I wish to thank my friends through the West Texas News, for their support in the piano contest at Hunter Mercantile Co. I received third premium and I feel just as grateful to those who helped me as though it had been fist premium.

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J. Y. Bowen of the Pyron community was in the city Wednesday.

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32x4	13.70	3.35	2.30
33x4	14.80	3.50	2.45
34x4	16.80	3.60	2.60
36x4	17.85	3.90	2.80
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OUR TENANT PROBLEMS

EDITOR'S NOTE:—This is the fourth of a series of Articles on AGRICULTURAL PROBLEMS prepared by Judge S. A. Lindsey, chairman of the Texas Farm Life Commission.

The tenant problem is less simple than the getting of cheap money on land worth twice the amount borrowed; all that is required in that case is to arrange the security (the best in the world) so that it is acceptable at the source of cheap money. All this is cold-blooded business between the investors in securities and those selling same. The transaction is: give me security and I will give you money. The state is not interested in this and should take no further hand in it than to provide the law by which the organization for invading the cheap money market may be effected, and then giving such organization opportunity to borrow such trust funds as the government may be lending.

The problem of inducing shifting tenants who are merely in partnership with the landlord in robbing the soil of its fertility and dividing the swag, to induce them to buy, improve and build up the soil they till and become fixed units of strength in their communities is clearly a concern of the state. This problem is close akin if not entirely identical both in purpose and result to that of general education. The strength and vigor of the state is as much dependent upon conserving the fertility of the soil as upon the intelligence of the people. The family is the unit of the state and the home surroundings prosperity, the optimism and education of the members of the family spell the strength and vigor of the state. If the state would be strong and enduring it must educate its citizens and attach them to the soil. There is something strengthening in the possession and proprietorship of a piece of land. Deprive people of this strength and they become socialists because their sense of weakness and insecurity impels them to seize at straws as do the drowning.

Mr. V. T. Hoggatt, Register State Land Board of Colorado told me the other day how his state is attempting to convert tenants into land-owners. He said Colorado has $6,000,000 of permanent school funds. This money is being made available in this way: The counties are given the privilege of investing their proportionate part in the notes of purchasers of homes. This is done through the commissioner's courts. The court considers each individual case. If the man is honest, intelligent, industrious and capable of paying out the land and the land is worth the money, the court buys the land for him, or takes up his notes and gives him 40 years at 5 per cent interest in which to pay. The county must see that the state does not lose its funds. Every proposed loan is advertised and the people knowing the county to be responsible to the state assist in preventing an unworthy or unsafe case from getting through.

Inasmuch as the people of a state have adopted this plan let us consider it closely, before dismissing or advocating it. For remember we are not writing a political platform but studying a modern question in economies or statecraft which is now upon us for solution.

This discussion will be continued in my next article.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE RAILROADS.

Railroad Presidents Discuss Transportation Problems and Their Relation to the Public.

There are always two sides to a question. The public long accustomed to listening to arguments against an increase in railroad rates, is now given an opportunity by W. B. Scott, president of the Sunset-Central lines to hear the railroad's side of the question. His recent interview to the Texas press is an out-pouring of the railroad heart and shows that the railroads of Texas instead of piling up high hills of money as they are generally supposed to do, are actually operating at a loss.

In his discussion of the subject, president Scott said in part:

"The fiscal year ending June 30th, 1913, showed that the thirty-three Texas railroads earning a gross total of $118,617,454. The operating expenses were $92,609,612 the net income being $26,007,842 with other income given as $1,907,227 or a gross corporate income of $27,915,070.

"To measure against this income, items including taxes, rentals, leases, hire of equipment, interest on bonds, debts, etc., aggregating a total of $30,050,656, were properly charged, the result being that instead of the thirty-three roads mentioned really earning any money, they actually sustained a deficit of $2,135,586. This does not mean that all of the lines failed to earn net revenue for some of them did, but it does mean that the burdens or operation set seriously upon a majority of the Texas lines, and that of the total number of roads twenty of them sustained deficits which in one instance ran as high as $1,227,000.

"Railroads like other commercial institutions, have certain commodities for sale, viz: transportation of persons, transportations of goods. Out of the sale of this transportation must they find their revenue. If the price of the sale is too low, then the establishment cannot make a profit and if it cannot provide the necessary funds for operation must cease to be a going concern. There must be a limit to the present loss or the roads will be faced with either a decided decrease of high price service or placed at the tender mercies of a receiver and in either instance the public must suffer accordingly.

"The remedy, when it is acknowledged that the roads are intelligently and economically administered, is indicated in an increase in freight rates sufficient to overcome the loss and to meet the increase of expense in operations due to causes already set forth.

"An increase of ten per cent in all rates would of course apply on the rate for 100 pounds by class and commodity. If the railroads were permitted to increase their rates they would be enabled to sucessfully meet the present cost of operation without facing the serious deficits and difficulties which now confront them, and which seriously threaten a curtailment of service and efficiency and a decrease in the work of railroad development in all sections of the State."

The following interview with Mr. Ben B. Cain, vice-president of the Gulf, Texas and Western Railway, which appeared in the Washington Herald recently also throws an interesting light on the situation:

"There is no question confronting the country which is quite so vital as granting to the railroads an increase in freight rates. This applies not only to the eastern lines but is more essential to the prosperity of those lines struggling for existence in the most sparsely settled sections of the country. Data compiled by the American Railway Association which I have reason to believe are reliable, show that 91 1-2 cents of every dollar earned by the steam roads of the United States has to be expended in keeping the road going, there being only 8 1-2 cents with which to pay dividends and make improvements. The distribution of a dollar earned by the common carriers is as follows:

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OUR RIVERS AND HARBORS

The Brazos River One of the Most Important Commercial Streams in Texas.

THE opening of the Panama Canal has given a tremendous impetus to gulf port commerce and greatly stimulated interest in water navigation and waterway improvements in Texas. The intercoastal canal now in course of construction connects the Texas rivers forming one of the most gigantic systems of commercial waterways in the world as well as drains a vast area of the most fertile land on the American continent.

Texas has eight large rivers on which steamboats have plied on regular schedules, many of them going as far as two or three hundred miles inland and the restoration and extension of navigable conditions can be secured at a minimum cost. We have ten harbors which have received government recognition and five ports that are regularly made by ocean-going vessels.

The Brazos river is 950 miles in length and waters a valley unexcelled in fertility and in agricultural possibilities and as a commercial stream can be easily improved and cheaply maintained. The government engineers have designated Waco, which is approximately 300 miles from its source, as the head of navigation on the Brazos and the work of improving the river for light draft boats is now under way.

At the mouth of the river is Freeport with a harbor unexcelled in natural advantages by any port on the Atlantic coast and a port where no wharfage or dock charges exist. The sulphur deposits now being actively mined afford an enormous local tonnage. The deposits contain seventeen millions tons of sulphur and machinery is now being installed to develop the field to an output of 300,000 tons per annum.

The vast tonnage of the Brazos valley will empty into this port and the Intercoastal Canal will be a splendid feeder, giving the port an immense outgoing water tonnage. Three of the leading system railroads enter the port and large and extensive terminals are being built where the commerce of the Trans-Mississippi valley can be handled without congestion.

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