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For District Attorney.

Issue of the Citizen see Wednesday of J. S. Crump. Reyes Lamesa, for the office of District Attorney. Mr. Crumpton's experience as a prosecutor eminently fits him for the position to which he aspires, and to cope with able counsel, which must be confronted in the prosecution of criminals, having served 5 years as assistant County Attorney of Bowie county, and is now, and has been for the last two years County Attorney of Dawson county. Mr. Crumpton was very successful during his 5 years service in Bowie, having once cleared a docket of 21 cases, securing convictions in all but one, and on one occasion in Dawson county accompanied by the sheriff he unearthed a group of gamblers in a secluded resort, and made them pay the penalty of their crime. In the prosecution of these men more than \$600.00 in penalties were secured to the coffers of that county.

Mr. Crumpton has attended District Court here once and won a hard contested suit, managing it with a degree of skill and ability that would have done credit to

any lawyer. He is an able and forceful speaker, delivers himself in a ringing voice and is a close and logical reasoner.

We believe he would make an able and efficient District Attorney and if elected, his supporters will have no occasion to regret their choice.

FOR DISTRICT JUDGE.

The Herald is authorized to announce the name of Judge W. K. Homan as a candidate for district Judge, subject to will expressed in the July primaries. Judge Homan has engaged in the active practice of law for thirty-five years and has been a resident of Colorado and practiced his profession for the past eight years. In that time he has become widely known in this district, and there are few who are not either personally acquainted or know Judge Homan by reputation.

Judge Homan is peculiarly adapted to fully and faithfully fulfill the duties of this high office. His mind is of judicial bent, and his method of life and manner of thinking fit him for acting this high capacity, and he has sat on the bench many times in previous years. At the recent term of the Midland district court,

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Judge Homan presided, and disposed of a large docket and elicited many expressions of approval from all classes. He enjoys the distinction of having had only one decision reversed by the higher courts, and has phenomenal grasp of the meaning of the law which a judge is called upon to interpret.

His peculiar bent is along this line, and his high character as a gentleman and a man are as widely known as is his ability as a lawyer. Fitted by nature for the honorable position to which he aspires, with full knowledge of the text and meaning of the law, Judge Homan may wear the judicial ermine with no fear of spotlessness be sullied.

This is a wide, the son of Judge Homan old bark, make a clog, the be no have to the hu or said and in indie sign—Sweet-

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OM THE DALLAS NEWS.

Senator Bailey's Fort each of March, 18th,

the reasons that I am popular in another city rises to my lips is that never had any sympathy effort to establish a that couldn't be naviga- re, What they want

tensive experience in the active practice of law in Colorado, Big Springs and elsewhere, are a sufficient guarantee of his eminent qualification for the position of District judge, and the above letter of commendation attests the confidence and high esteem in which he is held, by those who are best informed as to his qualifications, and fitness for the honorable position to which he aspires. In this issue of the Borden Citizen will be found the announcement of Judge Homan at time consistent with a fort night week at Springs Herald. made is so narrow and of such bends in it that the ont of the boat would run in one bank before the rear end passed the other bank. But if the Trinity River could be declared navigable to Dallas Fort Worth would have either to move to Dallas or take their shovels and their picks and dig a canal from here to there. A voice 'We would do it,' Yes, my friend you would do it, but so help me God, you will never be compelled to do it. Let me make you this promise to night, and I do not make it under any emotion produced by your generous kindness, but deliberately as the results of deep reflection. If the balance of them can make the Trinity River navigable to Dallas

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Any newspaper is the companion and friend of the family, but the local paper is one identified with the interests of the home. It is conducted by those whom you know. Its columns represent what is of special interest to the community. The all-wise county is for its prosperity day, says Mr. Cates.

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are your interest. It is your friend, in preference to any and all others. No outside or foreign paper can possibly have claims upon you until your duty is discharged to the local journal. Of him who says he can get a city paper much larger than his own local journal for the same amount of money, we would inquire; Do the city papers say anything about your country, its climate, water, springs, healthfulness, soil, product, stock-raising, mills, minerals, schools, churches, roads, bridges or other improvements? Nothing. Do they mention your public meetings, your town and county news, and the other thousand and one matters of interest which your home paper publishes without pay? Not much. Do they ever say a word, gratis, calculated to draw to your town or county and aid in bringing in immigrants and developing the wealth of your community? Not a line. And yet there are men who take such contracted views of the matter that unless they get as many square inches of reading matter in their own county paper, they think they are not getting the worth of their money. Your local newspaper works for its own town: does all it can to build up the place, advance the interest of its citizens, draw trade to the town, puts money in the pockets of the business men, adds to the well-being of the community. A paper is entitled to be valued at what it is worth.

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to the liberal patronage from the town and community it works for.

Our columns will prove of great value to advertisers, our subscription list enabling us to place the announcements for our business men before a greater number and a better class of readers than can any other medium, and at much less expense. We shall give as much attention to this department as to the reading matter columns, ever striving to keep them fresh and newsy and attractive. Our jobbing department is provided with a line of type and ornaments suitable for all commercial printing, and we always keep on hand the best brand of paper stock, etc. All orders will be filled expeditiously, and satisfactorily, and at moderate prices. We invite a call, and promise to make any favors shown up, beneficial to our patrons.

Prohibition Rally.

Dallas, Tex, March 7, 1908.

To the Democrats of Texas: At a meeting of Democrats, in the City of Fort Worth, Feb. 29th, from all parts of Texas, the following resolution was adopted:

"We, your committee recommend that the State Democratic Executive Committee be properly petitioned to submit to the Democratic primary election of

July 25, 1908, the issue as to whether or not the Democratic party shall incorporate in its platform a demand for the submission of a prohibition amendment to the Constitution of Texas."

It was further resolved that there be a rally of democrats, who favor the submission of this question, at the county seat or other convenient place in each county in Texas on an early date and thoroughly organize for work in this campaign by electing county and present chairmen; and making such other preparation as may be necessary to carry on a work of education in the interest of the submission to the people of this amendment.

This is, therefore, to urge every democrat who is in favor of submitting this question to the people to assemble and organize for work.

We hope every democrat in Texas will attend the rally, and no one should object to the resolution being submitted to the democratic voters of Texas.

Very Respectfully,
STERLING P. STRONG,
Chairman.

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"I know it. I'd have thought it was one of those fool presentiments if I were the only one to feel it. But the men were affected too. They kept together, like frightened sheep. And I heard one say to another. 'Hey, Boney, d'you feel like some one was a-buzzin' your nerves like a fiddle string?' Now," demanded Edwards plaintively, "what right has a jackle to have nerves?"

"That's strange enough about the compass," said Barnett slowly. "Ours is all right again. The schooner must have been so near the electric disturbance that her instruments were permanently deranged."

"That would lend weight to the volcanic theory," said Carter.

"So the captain didn't take kindly to your go-look-see?" questioned Ives of Edwards.

"As good as told me I'd missed the point of the thing," said the ensign, fushing. "Perhaps he can make more of it himself. At any rate he's going to try. Here he is now."

"Dr. Trendon," said the captain, appearing. "You will please to go with me to the schooner."

"Yes, sir," said the surgeon, rising from his chair with such alacrity as to draw from Ives the sardonic comment:

"Why, I actually believe old Trendon is excited."

For two hours after the departure of the captain and Trendon there were dull times on the quarter deck of the Wolverine. Then the surgeon came to them.

"That's right," he said.

"We didn't tell us anything," said Ives. "He didn't clear up the mystery."

"That's what," said Trendon. "One thing Billy said," he added, waxing unusually profuse for him, "was truer than maybe he knew."

"Thanks," murmured the ensign.

"What was that?"

"You said 'Not a living being aboard.' Exact words, hey?"

"Well, what of it?" exclaimed the ensign excitedly. "You don't mean you found dead?"

"Keep your temperature down, my boy. No. You were exactly right. Not a living being aboard."

"Thanks for nothing," retorted the ensign.

"Neither human nor other," pursued Trendon.

"What?"

"Food scattered around the galley. Crumbs on the mess table. Ever see a wooden ship without cockroaches?"

"Never particularly investigated the matter."

"Don't believe such a thing exists," said Ives.

"Not a cockroach on the Laughing Lass. Ever know of an old hooker that wasn't overrun with rats?"

"No, nor any one else. Not above water."

"Found a dozen dead rats. No sound or sign of a live one on the Laughing Lass. No rats, no mice, no bugs. Gentlemen, the Laughing Lass is a charnel ship."

"No wonder Billy's tender nerves went wrong," said Ives, with irrepressible flippancy. "She's probably haunted by cockroach wraiths."

"He'll have a chance to see," said Trendon. "Captain's going to put him in charge."

"By way of apology, then," said Barnett. "That's pretty square."



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"Captain Parkinson wishes to see you in his cabin, Mr. Edwards," said an orderly, coming in.

"A pleasant voyage, Captain Billy," said Ives. "Sing out if the goblins git yer."

Fifteen minutes later Ensign Edwards, with a quartermaster, Timmins, the boat's mate and a crew, was heading a straight course toward his first command, with instructions to "keep company and watch for signals," and intention to break into the brass bound chest and ferret out what clew lay there if it took dynamite. As he boarded Barnett and Trendon, with both of whom the lad was a favorite, came to a sinister conclusion.

"It's poison, I suppose," said the first officer.

"And a mighty subtle sort," agreed Trendon. "Don't like the looks of it." He shook a solemn head.

CHAPTER IV.

IN semitropic Pacific weather the unexpected so seldom happens as to be a negligible quantity. The Wolverine met with it on June 5. From some unaccountable source in that realm of the heaven scouring trades came a heavy mist. Possibly volcanic action, deranging by its electric and gaseous outpouring the normal course of the winds, had given birth to it. Be that as it may, it swept down upon the cruiser, thickening as it approached, until presently it had spread a curtain between the warship and its charge. The wind died. Until after fall of night the Wolverine moved slowly, bellowing for the schooner, but got no reply. Once they thought they heard a distant shout of response, but there was no repetition.

"Probably doesn't carry any fog-horn," said Carter bitterly, voicing a general uneasiness.

"No log; compass crazy; without fog signal; I don't like that craft. Barnett ought to have been ordered to blow her up as a peril to the high seas."

"We'll pick her up in the morning surely," said Forsythe. "This can't

Nor did it last long. An hour before midnight a pounding shower fell, lashing the sea into phosphorescent whiteness. It ceased, and with the growl of a leaping animal a squall furiously beset the ship. Soon the great steel body was plunging and heaving in the billows. It was a gloomy company about the wardroom table. Upon each and all hung an oppression of spirit. Captain Parkinson came from his cabin and went on deck. Constitutionally he was a nervous and pessimistic man with a fixed belief in the conspiracy of events, banded for the undoing of him and his. Blind or dubious conditions racked his soul, but real danger found him not only prepared, but even eager. Now his face was a picture of foreboding.

"Parky looks as if Davy Jones was pulling on his string," observed the flippant Ives to his neighbor.

"Worrying about the schooner. Hope Billy Edwards saw or heard or felt that squall coming," replied Forsythe, giving expression to the anxiety that all felt.

"He's a good sailor man," said Ives, "and that's a stanch little schooner by the way she handled herself."

"Oh, it will be all right," said Carter confidently. "The wind's moderating now."

"But there's no telling how far out of the course this may have blown him."

Barnett came down, dripping. "Anything new?" asked Dr. Trendon. The navigating officer shook his head.

"Nothing. But the captain's in a state of mind," he said.

"What's wrong with him?"

"The schooner. Seems possessed with the notion that there's something wrong with her."

"Aren't you feeling a little that way yourself?" said Forsythe. "I am. I'll take a look around before I turn in."

He left behind him a silent crowd. His return was prompt and swift.

"Come on deck," he said.

Every man leaped as to an order. There was that in Forsythe's voice which stung. The weather had cleared somewhat, though scudding wrack still blew across them to the westward. The ship rolled heavily. Of the sea naught was visible except the arching waves, but in the sky they beheld again, with a sickening sense of disaster, that pale and lovely glow which had so bewildered them two nights before.

"The aurora!" cried McGuire, the paymaster.

"Oh, certainly!" replied Ives, with sarcasm. "Dead in the west. Common spot for the aurora. Particularly on the edge of the south seas, where they are thick!"

"Then what is it?"

Nobody had an answer. Carter hastened forward and returned to report.

"It's electrical anyway," said Ives.

"The compass is queer again," said Trendon.

"Edwards ought to be sent the solution of it," ventured the son of the gale should have bled bark on to the center of the ship.

"If only he had a gun," said Carter anxiously.

"What's his name?" asked Trendon.

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without sighting the lost schooner. The evening brought an envelope of fog again, and presently a light breeze came up from the north. An hour of it had failed to disperse the mist when there was borne down to the warship a flapping sound as of great wings. The flapping grew louder—waned—ceased—and from the lookout came a call.

"Ship's lights three points on the starboard quarter."

"What do you make it out to be?" came the query from below.

"Green light's all I can see, sir." There was a pause.

"There's her port light now. Looks to be turning and bearing down on us, sir. Coming dead for us"—the man's voice rose—"close aboard; less'n two ship's lengths away!"

As for a prearranged scene, the fog curtain parted. There loomed silently and swiftly the Laughing Lass. Down she bore upon the greater vessel until it seemed as if she must ram, but all the time she was veering to windward, and now she ran into the wind with a castanet rattle of sails. So close aboard was she that the eager eyes of Uncle Sam's men peered down upon her empty decks, for she was void of life.

Behind the cruiser's blanketing she paid off very slowly, but presently caught the breeze full and again whitened the water at her prow. Forgetting regulations, Ives hailed loudly:

"Ahoy, Laughing Lass! Ahoy, Billy Edwards!"

No sound, no animate motion, came from aboard that apparition as she fell astern. A shudder of horror ran across the Wolverine's quarter deck. A wraith ship, peopled with skeletons, would have been less dreadful to their sight than the brisk and active desolation of the heeling schooner.

"Been deserted since early last night," said Trendon hoarsely.

"How can you tell that?" asked Barnett.

"Both sails reefed down, ready for that squall. Been no weather since to call for reefs. Must have quit her during the squall."

"Then they jumped," cried Carter, "for I saw her boats. It isn't believable."

"Neither was the other," said Trendon grimly.

A hurried succession of orders stopped further discussion for the time. Ives was sent aboard the schooner to lower sail and report. He came back with a staggering dearth of information. The boats were all there; the ship was intact—as intact as when Billy Edwards had taken charge—but the cheery, lovable ensign and his men had vanished without trace or clew. As to the how or the when at time they might rack up a fort night guess.

Springs Herald—made a job of it.

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Part of W. J. Bryan's Speech Delivered at Springfield Ill.

In 1906 when I was out of the country and not in correspondence with any one, about half the state conventions indorsed me. I appreciated the compliment, but I waited more than a year to see if anyone would appear upon whom the party could center with better prospects of success. Finally, last, November in order, to put an end to misconstructions of my silence and misrepresentations of my intention, I announced that I would be a candidate if the democrats desired it, I said that I would obey the party if it summoned me, and would if the party wished, carry the standard no matter whom the Republicans might nominate, and no matter whether the chances favored victory or defeat. This is my position to-day.

If I have retained your confidence it is because I have spoken from my heart to your hearts and have cherished the same ideals that you have cherished.

If I am nominated I want the nomination to come from the voters rather than from the convention. The convention is but the servant of the voters—the voters are the masters. They have a right to determine both the platform and the candidates. If you want me nominated, instruct for me. Instructions are democratic. No one has any right to represent others unless they want him to represent them.

I believe in instruction. I do not care upon whom your choice falls. Whoever he is he should be instructed by the representatives of the whole county in its prospective future, and the day, says Mr. Cates.

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plaining that they would like to be free and that they consider it impossible to elect the man whom they were instructed to nominate. I am perfectly willing to fight all the enemies that can get in front of me, but my enemies shall not get behind me again. I say this of myself, but it holds good for any candidate you wish to nominate. If you prefer another candidate, then those who prefer me should not ask to be part of the convention which nominates him. The delegates should act as the representatives of the people, and they should be men who are willing to do what they have been instructed to do. If you want me to be your candidate, let no man who does not wish to see me nominated represent you in the convention. Let no man have a seat there who does not want to see me elected if nominated. Let the candidate who has the support of the people have the heart as well as the voice of the delegates. And again, if I am nominated, it will come at the end of 12 years of fighting in the open. My views are known to all the people. They have been openly voiced and I have a right to assume that the people who nominate me will give me the kind of platform on which I can stand and fight. I have the right to expect that if I be nominated, the platform of the party will be one for which I shall not have to apologize. It should be one on which I can make the campaign. It should be one which will enable me to make an honest fight in the open for the principles for which the people know I stand, and without evasion. Then there is another thing. If I am nominated, and given a platform upon which I can stand and fight, I have a right to assume that the party will place the management of the campaign in the hands of men who want to see me elected. I have the right to assume that the committee in charge of the campaign will be willing to devote their time to the campaign when some of the committee would have valued at meetings. I shall cheat and stole the campaign with by about two points. My wife will not say "Mama I know what you are up to"—it's because you don't make that cut glass vase; don't you care about that, there is another like it down town. Here take \$20 and buy it. The mother went up in bed and said "My son, what did you get that money for?" "I got it last night down at Richard's playing poker." The mother gave up her hands in horror and said "My son is it possible you kind of a gambler?" The son replied "Ma, what is the difference between playing for a \$20 cut glass

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fight must agree. If I am nominated it will be because the people are for the principles for which I stand, and not because they are for me personally. I am not vain enough to believe that six and a half million of voters will turn out and work indefatigably for me just to satisfy my personal ambitions. You are interested in me because you are interested in your children's children. You are interested in me because I believe in the kind of a government you love. I would rather be the leader of six and a half million Democrats who think for themselves and march with me only when I march in the direction in which they want me to march, than be the leader of six and a half millions without thoughts who would simply echo what some one else said.

The Democrats have been thinking for themselves and they have been studying public questions from the standpoint of the many. They have been considering the rights of all the people rather than the privileges of a few. There is no doubt that a large majority of the people believe in Democratic principles and are ready to try the policies that our party has been advocating. The nation's conscience is awakened; let us appeal to it with an honest platform; with an honest organization and with honest methods, and our appeal will not be in vain.

Mind your own Business.

Those are just the words. Had we looked through "Websters Unabridged" we could not have found four words that expressed so entirely our meaning as these.

We believe the four words were made with direct reference to the grumbling, growling mischief-makers.

People who never mind their own business are very much such a class of animals as the cross surley, whiffet dogs, that are always barking, biting and nabbing somebody. We wonder if they would appreciate a lecture? We will ask them a few questions just to find out. Don't you think the world and the people in it will live and prosper without the tremendous anxiety you carry on your shoulders by keeping an eye on everybody in the whole neighborhood and world besides? Can't Mrs. A. make a sweet cake with-

out your lying awake nights for fear there is going to be a wedding and you will not be invited? Can't Jennie have a new gown but you must immediately see it, know the price, and for what special occasion it was purchased, or die of curiosity? Can't neighbor B. and his wife go by but you'll bet they're going to see somebody and have slighted you? Did God make you and us on purpose to superintend His universe, and every body's affairs and assume the control the "free will" he gave men? Is this the purpose and plan of our existence and destiny, to forever be meddling with somebody's business? It gives us "that tired feeling" to think of the pains some people take to gather the smallest item of news. They leave their own garden to grow full of weeds while they are trying to hold up before everybody, the few they pull from their neighbor's. They do everything but mind their own business. No, indeed; by the time the whole town is criticised and judgment pronounced, they have not a moment left to do more than congratulate themselves on their own good works.

People who don't mind their own business bring more misery to families, societies and churches than everything else combined. They turn the pleasant, peaceful stream of good will into a loathsome pool.

Minding our own business will make peaceful homes, happy neighbors and a sweet conscience that will make us know why Jesus loved the peacemakers and said of them "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the children of God."

Now this is plain talk, but if the shoe does not fit you, then do not put it on, but should it fit the longer you wear it the better it will be for you and the entire community.

Will Diversity.

J. T. Berry, an up-to-date farmer of the Vincent neighborhood, is putting in four acres of alfalfa, and will also plant pea-nuts and broom corn for experimental purposes.

Such men are the most valuable citizens, for they find out what their lands produce most of to best advantage, and the benefits of their experience are given to neighbors.—Big Springs Herald

DIRECTORY.

District Officers.
 J. L. Shepherd Judge
 M. Carter Attorney
 Court convenes eighth Monday after first Monday in February and September.

County Officers.
 E. R. Yellott Judge
 W. K. Clark, Sheriff & Tax Collector
 Rodway Keen Clerk
 D. Dorward, Jr. Treasurer
 S. L. Jones Tax Assessor
 No Attorney.
 Court convenes first Monday in February, May, August and November.

Commissioners.
 J. A. Scarlett Precinct No. 1
 W. P. Coates Precinct No. 2
 J. H. Wicker Precinct No. 3
 C. E. Reader Precinct No. 4

Secret Orders.
 Mason.—Meets Saturday night on or preceding full moon.
 W. O. W.—Meets first Saturday night after each full moon, and on Saturday night two weeks thereafter.

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BORDEN COUNTY.

Borden county is located partly below and partly above the "cap rock". The altitude below the cap rock is about 2300 feet. Soil fertile, climate pleasant. About 25 per cent of the land to some extent is rough and better adapted to stock raising than to farming. Timber for fuel is plentiful, below the foot of the plains, mesquite being the most abundant. This country is well set in good grass, the principal

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grasses being the needle and mesquite.
 The rainfall here is sufficient for abundant and successful farming. The products of the farm are cotton, corn, maize, cane Kaffir, wheat and oats. Wheat and oats have not been grown extensively in this county, but some parts are specially adapted to the raising of small grain. We find the gardens bedecked with beans, peas, turnips, onions radishes, beets, potatoes, peanuts and watermelons. The orchards furnish peaches, pears, apples, grapes, plums and apricots. The wild fruits are grapes, plums and mulberries. At present orchards are comparatively few, but bear good and abundant fruit. Agriculture is fast becoming the leading industry. The lands which

only a few years since were trodden under the foot of the buffalo and mustang pony, and the howl of the lobo and the yelp of the coyote were the only signs of life now are under fence and the soil beneath the plow. At present the whistle of the farm boy, the song of the milk maid, the bark of the neighbor's dog, the rattle of the wagons, and the hum of some of the industrial machinery of civilization are heard. Stock raising is a favorite industry in this county. The people take pride in raising fine horses, cattle and sheep. The reasons that I am popular in another city arises to my lips is that I had any sympathy effort to establish a cat couldn't be navigated. What they want

up. The Methodists have erected a handsome church building at Durham in the South-Eastern part of this county.
 Gail, the county seat is a small town but is building fast. There are eight business houses, besides a bank, two hotels, a restaurant, a livery stable and a wagon yard, two blacksmith shops and a new gin. Several of these improvements have been recently erected. Borden county is almost sure to average one-half bale per acre to all lands planted in cotton. I have lived in Borden county for eight years and have never witnessed a complete failure in crops. The lands about Gail have not heretofore been for sale, hence the slow development. At present some of the pastures are for sale in small tracts.

A political campaign changes the complexion of things very much whenever it reaches an interesting stage. When the voter ventures out in public he will find a candidate glad to give him a hearty hand shaking, inquire about his family and ready to show his unselfish interest in his welfare, by entertaining him for half an hour at a time. At other times we might get despondent occasionally and imagine the world was becoming selfish and cold toward us, that we indeed had no friends, so that we are almost ready to despair; but the zealous candidate dispels all such feelings and thoughts, and he is ready to convince you that he is your friend, and is ready do anything for your accomodation. A campaign may really be productive of some good to some candidates who are thoughtful, by opening their eyes to the fact that we are all dependent creatures and too much inclined to our own interests and

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Gail, Texas, Apr., 2 1908.

Under the Terrell election law the 4th Saturday in July of the year 1906, and every two years thereafter, shall be the legal "primary election day." There never having been a primary held in Borden county, is perhaps the cause of some degree of prejudice in the minds of some people here, against primaries, which will be overcome when they learn by experience the advantages of the Terrell law over the old convention system, where the only part the people played was to carry out a cut and dried program of a few political leaders arranged before the meeting of the convention. The Terrell law was enacted to safeguard and protect the purity of the ballot box, and secure the voter against undue influence, intimidation and bribery in the exercise of his right of suffrage. Sec. 41 of this law provides that the voting booths shall be so arranged that there shall be no access to the them through any door, window or whom you not through the front represented with what same care all Wise county is for its precincts day, says Mr. Cates.

"Years ago," said Mr. Cates, "the young statesman arose—a star of youthful glory to bedim the sight of the veteran, Judge Hare, of Sherman. Judge Hare went down in defeat before the on slaught of the tigerish eloquence of the young good looking, aspiring statesman.
"Bailey was an innocent appearing man in those days. He shook his head of wavy hair in vehement expression, while sentiment poured from his mouth in torrents, but with force as of cannon balls.

"Beginning away back in those days he directed his appeals to stir the enthusiasm of the remnants of the Confederate Old Guard, a card he has continued to play to this day, until he became the spoiled, pet statesman of that great and noble, yet, it is

nominees. That being the case the voter who absents himself from the primary loses his opportunity of supporting the candidates of his choice, and besides that, all participation in the election of District, State and National officers, as only those who receive the nomination continue candidates in their time of need, but let us all attend the primaries and cast our votes for those whom we deem best fitted and most deserving of office.

Farmers' Journal (Abilene): The Farmers Union has effected much good by the holding of cotton, thus protecting the market from glut and consequent depressions.

This has been done in spite of the deplorable loss of time and energy spent in rowing among the non-farmer member over leadership and office and jobs and pie. Then what might have been accomplished if all had been farmers, alike interested in all propositions.

In pitching this years cotton crop every farmer should remember that all cotton carried in storage from this season to the next will be counted by the spinners and dealers as of the 1908 crop. This, if there is much of such cotton, must have some influence upon the price of this years output. If you can not be wholly independent of your cotton patch, be as independent as you can.—Dallas News.

Would he Remit the Fine.

Gov. Hughes is arguing against fines—he says they are unjust to stock-holders. He prefers imprisonment. Well, imprisonment would be better, but Mr. Rockefeller has not been imprisoned, and that fine is the only penalty in sight.

In view of the fact that Chancellor Day is for Gov. Hughes, and in view of the further fact that the younger Rockefeller has defamed for Gov. Hughes the question valued would Gov. Hughes cheated and stole \$29,000,000 fine if he by about two points a pertinent day her boy came to Gov. Hughes said "Mama I know why you remitted the fine—it's because you don't want that cut glass vase; don't you like it down town. Here's \$20 and buy it for me." The boy got up in bed and said "My father, did you get that money?" "Yes, it last night down at Rich's playing poker." The mother picked up her hands in horror. "My son is it possible you're a gambler?" The son replied, "Mama, what is the difference between a \$20 cut glass vase and a \$29,000,000 fine?"

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Local and Personal

W. T. White and family of Lorraine were in Gail last Saturday. Mr. White recently traded for the E. Schumm tract, of 11 sections about 8 miles west of Gail, and may later move to it, and become a citizen of Borden county.

J. K. Mitchell and wife were shopping in town Saturday.

Walter Hill was in town Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Biffle were in Gail Saturday.

Jim Jolly was in Gail Saturday evening.

Miss Hettie Kincaid was trading in our town Saturday.

W. H. Willis and son Guy were in town Saturday.

Will Bedell was in town Saturday evening and also Monday.

The young folks were nicely entertained by a musical at the home of C. P. Smith Thursday night.

Miss Eula Holler has been very sick for several days. We hope she will make a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Everett were shopping in town Saturday.

Huston Benton and wife visited Mrs. Bentons mother, Mrs. J. H. Berry last week.

Jno. Williams was in town Saturday and also Monday.

Miss Alma Sealy was in Gail Saturday.

Lottie Cranfill entertained West of Gails young people on Saturday night at the home of J. Chandler.

J. M. Christopher was in town Saturday.

Mr. Ford Coats and father were in Gail Saturday.

Misses Ethel and Cora Cranfill were shopping in town Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Witt were in Gail Saturday.

Several of the boys and girls of our town, chaperoned by Mrs. L. B. Curtis took their dinner's and went to the peak Thursday and spent the day, a splendid time was the report from all who went.

Miss Minnie Patton was in town Saturday.

Jno. Fritz was in Gail Wednesday.

Strayed or stolen about six weeks ago from the Patton pasture one mile south of Gail an 8 year old deep bay horse star in forehead, about 15 hands high, unbranded. Five dollars reward is offered for the horse, or evidence leading to his recovery.

J. C. HOWE.

D. C. Stevens of Tredway was in town Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Sammie Morrow has the mumps.

Thad Durst who was telephone operator here having been absent from Gail quite a while arrived last Monday. We will be proud to have Mr. Durst with the young folks here again.

Mrs. J. C. Jolly and daughter Miss Myrtle visited in Gail Monday and Tuesday. They were the guests of Mesdames Childers and Dorward while in town.

A. T. Sealy was here Monday.

Holt Stokes is just recovering from the mumps.

Sam Burk who attends the Sealy School visited his cousin Porter Cotton, Saturday and Sunday.

Cal Whitaker and wife were in town Monday.

J. W. C. Mullins was in town Tuesday.

Albert Tredway of the plains was in town Tuesday.

H. S. Morrow, who has been visiting in Taylor, Coke, and Sterling counties for quite a while is now visiting his son S. A. Morrow and family of Gail.

Will Hester Sr. was in town Saturday.

Joe Hill was in town Saturday.

Silas Chambers of Tahoka stopped over last Friday evening at H. D. Pruett's on his way to Sterling and Coke counties, and left next morning on the hack for Big Springs. Mr. Chambers while absent will visit relatives in both above mentioned counties.

Plainview School House

March 17, 1908.—Still dry and windy on the plains.

Every one is almost up with plowing here.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford of Tahoka were pleasant callers of the families of Messrs. Beach and Miller Sunday and Monday.

Singing last Sunday night at M. M. Simpsons was a pleasant affair.

Mrs. Curtis Willis is spending a few days with her cousin Mrs. Raine.

Messrs. Beach, Gibbs and Simpson made a business trip to Tahoka last Saturday.

Mrs. W. H. Willis spent last Monday with Mrs. Beach.

Mr. Dobins of Snyder was in our community Saturday and Sunday to see his friend Miss Willie Gibbs.

Ben Summers of Tahoka Lake attended singing in our community Sunday night.

John T. Brook and family spent Sunday with Mesdames Willis and Simpson.

Mr. Beach and wife accompanied by Mr. Simpson and his daughter visited the family of L. G. Philipps Sunday.

Luke Riley has just returned from Big Springs.

Mrs. Annie King visited Mrs. Tom Farris last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayfield visited the families of Mr. Mayers and Mr. Gleaston Sunday.

Miss Willie Gibbs visited Miss Sallie Beach Monday eve.

The general health of the community is good.

I. C. U.—

All parties are warned against depreddating in any manner on the Munger ranch property, especially cutting wood.

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NOTICE.

All parties traveling through my pasture are asked to be cautious in regard to fire as the grass is very dry and easily set on fire.

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All persons getting wood on the pastures of A. J. Long are notified that they will hereafter be prosecuted to the extent of the law.

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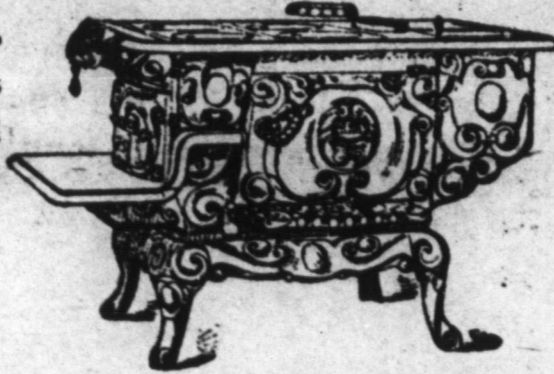
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Messrs. Eckle Parks and Eli Whitaker were in Gail Monday.

Frank Denton and father were here Monday.

SPEAKING

J. F. Cunningham of Colorado, and J. S. Crumpton of Lamesa both spoke at the court house Monday night in Gail. The house was crowded until there was very little standing room. Mr. Crumpton spoke first. He spoke in regard to his candidacy for District attorney. His language was fluent and at times eloquent; he closed with a few complimentary remarks respecting the influence exerted over the sterner, sex, and appealing to them to extort the promise from their husbands to support him in the election, and to burn the bread till they agreed to do so. His speech, tho' short, was very entertaining, and no doubt will win many votes for him when the ballots are counted. Mr. Cunningham, candidate for Congress, followed in about a two hours all Wise county discussed mead- day, says Mr. Cates. he intended "Years ago," said mentioned "the young statesman" it con- star of youthful glory to effect the sight of the veteran, him- si as Hare, of Sherman. Jumi- Hare went down in defeat before the on slaught of the tigerish elo- quence of the young good look- ing, aspiring stetesman.

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claimed that the Supreme Court had decided that the reclamation act was unconstitutional and in- applicable to any but territorial land or Federal public domain. That Judge Smith was either ig- norant of this or purposely de- ceived the people. When called upon for an expression on Bailey- ism. He stated with emphasis, that no man occupying official position could receive favors from a public corporation, without placing himself under obligation to return those favors, that he was only human, and as a human being felt under obligations to re- turn favors. His address seem to make a favorable impress on with the audience, and was listened to with marked attention.

District Court Proceedings

District Court convened on Monday the 30th. The cases of W. H. Turner vs W. H. Patterson et al, injunction dissolved, the suit of J. W. Chandler vs J. W. C. Mullins, judgement for plaintiff.

The grand jury found 5 bills and submitted the following re- port to the court: "We the grand jury have carefully investigated all the violations of law so far as they have come before us, and find nothing more to be inves- tigated.

We recomend that Borden coun- ty employ a county attorney. J. L. WASKOM, Forman.

GRAY HAPPENINGS.

Tex. Mar 31, 1908— correspondent from all give some of the did you get the it last night downers are waiting playing poker. ough some have up her hands ize, so as to be "My son is it pos rain. The usual entertain- ma, what is the per's last Thurs- ing for a \$20

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day night, all present seemed to have an enjoyable time.

Singing Sunday night at Mr Jones' nice crowd present and good singing.

Several from here attended a political speaking at the Plainview school house last Friday night.

School at this place is moving along the best kind, the enroll- ment having reached nearly 30 pupils.

J. C. Olive of Durham was in this local ty several days the past week in the interest of his candidacy for sheriff

New Mexico must be the loca- tion of the honey pond, the way people are going out in that direc- tion, for the wagons are passing almost daily.

Dr A. W. Thompson from Collin county has located with us and his family will come in the near future.

With prospects for a new gin and telephone, Tredway is build- ing regardless of the panic.

T. W. Stevens has returned from Arkansas and is staying for the present with A. L. Jones, he come back to Borden.

There will be services Sunday at the School house by Rev. Coughran of Tahoka and dinner on the ground, every body invited.

Wesley Berry of Gail was here Monday riding for the grand jury, A. M. Tredway and Vernon Pearce went to Gail today.

John Gregory of Waurika, Okla. is visiting at A. H. Berry's.

JUPITER.

Messrs. Jess Smith and Jess Walker, and Misses Mollie and Myrtle Hopkins, also Misses Mary Leake and Cora Berry at- tended the singing convention in Dawson county last Sunday.

Dr. J. F. Riggs the San Angelo dentist is here again. Those who need dental work had better call on him at once, as his stay is lim- ited. Office at Stokes Hotel.

Mrs. V. L. Jeanfill and daugh- ters were in Gail Monday night to hear candidates' Crumpton and Cunningham speak. They visited Mrs. J. W. Chaudler while in town.

W. S. Turner was in Gail Monday.

Edd Gober returned from Post City Monday, he is sick with the measles now.

Miss Lydia Kennedy visited Miss Bee Burneett Tuesday.

Messrs. Walter Jolly and Chas. Berry made a flying trip to Post City last week.

Mrs. A. B. Spears and child- returned from Post City Tuesday.

J. A. Baker and family left Gail Tuesday morning bound for New Mexico.

Jess Smith is having a well drilled on his place here in town.

Claude Smoot of Snyder is visiting his uncle J. H. Smoot and family this week.

Misses Nellie Hale, Katie Willis, Verda Layton; Messrs. Graham Whitaker, Bob Gray and Clyde Willis were royally entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sanford at their home East of Gail Saturday night and Sunday. The occasion will long be remembered by the guests, and a more delightful time was never had.

Mrs. Maggie Huckaby and son of Dallas, Texas, friends of J. M. Evans, arrived in Gail Monday evening.