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Everybody Is Happy.

Last week we said we hoped that the good Lord would order J. P. to give us some rain and so it came about. This old County had a soaking of about 2 inches and at this writing prospects are good for more. The rain came in the nick of time to save all kinds of crops and help out the stockmen. Everybody happy

What Did He Mean?

Mr. Kroeschel of Del Rio, an old timer that everybody knows here was talking to your reporter the other day and said insubstantially: "Yes, Brackett is a fine town and has the best set of people that I ever knew in my life. I first came to Brackett in 1880 and spent a few days here and during my stay I say many holes in the streets (mud holes) and many boughs of trees lying around everywhere and though it seems strange the mud holes are still here and the good people have not stolen the trees

and boughs that I saw here 30 years ago; mighty good people, honest and easy going." What on earth did he mean anyway?

Had Better Streets.

"The smallest village in the Philippines that I saw had better streets, at least one good main street anyway, than this beautiful American town." That's what a sergeant out of the 14th Cavalry said in our hearing the other evening. What town he meant is not hard to conjecture, for he was looking up and down main street. Don't sound nice does it!

Judge Stratton Non-Committal.

The News-Mail reporter interviewed Judge Stratton the other day about his farm but the Judge was non-committal and the only thing he would say was that a fine rain had fallen and everything looked fine. When asked if he was going to cut his hay soon he

said "No!" Asked if he had any hay, "No!" How much planted, "None!" Do you know anything Judge, "Yes, that I'm alive and that's all." Of course we took that as a dismissal and left, but we do know that the Judge has nearly 160 or more acres in as fine hay as was ever grown in this County; that he is preparing to cut it, and that he will harvest some of your Uncle Samuel's pesos.

Catholic Church

Next Sunday is the feast of Corpus Christi or the Blessed Sacrament. At nine A. M. Rev. J. B. Roure will officiate a solemn High Mass with the exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The ladies choir will sing a majestic Mass with appropriate hymns. Rt. Rev. Mongr. Edward R. Chase will deliver an appropriate sermon upon the solemnity. *Everybody invited.

Good Rains on Live Oak

Walter Yancey and Jim Latham of the Live Oak country were in Monday and report good rains in their section. Crops are in good condition and all kinds of stock fat. The many friends of Uncle Buck Yancey will regret to learn that he has made Uvalde his home, but will also be glad to know that he has improved in health. Mrs. Yancey is not enjoying such good health as she was in old Kinneev and we are in hopes that she will soon persuade Mr Yancey to return to his old home. These are fine folks and we regret to have them get so far away from home.

W. L. Clamp Farming

W. L. Clamp is making pretensions to being somewhat of a farmer; he told the News reporter that he has a dandy field of sorghum, a fine garden that he irrigates from his windmill. He told us in confidence that he had

musk mellons on his vines already and about six pumpkins.

New Officers Installed

The Brackett Chapter No. 60 Order of Eastern Star held a public installation in the Masonic Hall Friday night. Mrs. Agnes Dooley Past Worthy Matron, acted as installing officer and Mrs. Daisy Stadler grand Marshal. The following officers were installed.

Mrs. Rosa G. Perry, Worthy Matron.
Will W. Price, Worthy Patron
Mrs. Annie Stadler, Associate Matron.
Mrs. Maude Hodges, Secretary.
O. W. Stadler, Treasurer.
Mrs. Hettie Scarborough, Conductress.
Miss Ora Tucker, Associate Conductress.
Mrs. Rosa Bitter, Ada.
Mrs. Agnes Dooley, Ruth.
Mrs. Daisy Stadler, Esther.
Mrs. Mabel Dooley, Martha
Mrs. Catherine Isgrig Electa.
Mrs. Laura Gilson Warder.
Dr. F. J. Gilson, Sentinel.
John H. Stadler, Chaplain
A. A. Bitter, Organist
Miss Kathleen Zuehl Marshal.

After the installation ceremonies refreshments were served consisting of ice cream and cake. Over people were present.

Trespass Notice.

Notice is hereby given that all trespassers on the ranch owned and controlled by the undersigned for the purpose of hunting, fishing, cutting wood or hunting hogs will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. No verbal permission recognized. Must have written permission signed by A. M. Siator and must state every person in party or permit in void.
11 tf. J. M. SLATOR & SONS.

Old Reserve D. at the California Exchange.

ALL WEST TEXAS WILL CELEBRATE

The Biggest Fourth of July Celebration in Texas to be Pulled off in Eagle Pass.

Ball games, pony races, athletic contests, basket ball contests between young ladies of Brackett and Eagle Pass, children's tug-of-war on ponies, automobile parade, baby parade, trades display, agricultural exhibit, poultry exhibit, speaking by men of state wide prominence, band concerts, grand ball, onion growers' after-harvest picnic, trades day, public barbecue and other things yet to be arranged will be the amusements offered the citizens of West Texas, at Eagle Pass on July 4th.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Commercial Club held at the court house Tuesday night the organization decided to pull off a real, rousing, rollicking celebration, and judging by the plans already under way by Entertainment Committee and the Secretary of the Club there will be something doing every minute of two days a few some seconds.

This is not to be an ordinary celebration with such amusement as shooting off a few fire crackers while a chorus of six voices sings

"America." It's to be a happy, hilarious time for all West Texas. Del Rio, Sanders, Alpine, Marfa, Brackett, Spofford, Uvalde, Crystal City, Carrizo Springs, Sabinal and Hondo are asked to join with us and make this a Big West Texas event. It will be the Fourth of July celebration for all these places at once, and the program will be so intensely interesting the citizens of the entire West Texas section will want to have a part in it. It is not an Eagle Pass celebration we are getting up, but a West Texas celebration, and men of state-wide prominence will be glad to have the opportunity of meeting all the citizens of the vast west at one time, which they could not do half so well by visiting each town separately. The G. H. & A. will run excursions and the Mexican National Lines will also run excursions into Eagle Pass for this celebration.—Eagle Pass News-Guide.

If you are a housewife you cannot reasonably hope to be healthy or beautiful by washing dishes, sweeping and doing household all day, and crawling into bed dead tired at night. You must get out into the open air and sunlight. If you do this every day and keep your stomach and bowels in good order by taking Chamberlain's Tablets when needed, you should become both healthy and beautiful. For sale by all dealers.

The best line of liquors and cigars to be found are at the California Exchange.

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GEO. W. HOBBS, Vice Pres. CHAS. E. REAMER, Cashier.

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TELEPHONE 41.

WIFE'S HEALTH RESTORED

Husband Declared Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Would Restore Her Health, And It Did.

Ashland, Ky.—"Four years ago I seemed to have everything the matter with me. I had female and kidney troubles and so had off I could hardly rest day or night. I doctored with all the best doctors in town and took many kinds of medicine but nothing did any good until I tried your wonderful remedy, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. My husband said it would restore my health and it has."

Mrs. MAY WYATT, Ashland, Ky.

There are probably hundreds of thousands of women in the United States who have been benefited by this famous old remedy, which was produced from roots and herbs over thirty years ago by a woman to relieve woman's suffering.

Read What Another Woman Says:
Camden, N. J.—"I had female trouble and a serious displacement and was tired and discouraged and unable to do my work. My doctors told me I never could be cured without an operation, but thanks to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I am cured of that affliction and have recommended it to more than one of my friends with the best results."

—Mrs. ELLA JOHNSTON, 324 Vine St.

If you want special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.

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Representing THE DELINATOR, EVERYBODY'S and ADVENTURE. Man or woman, young or old—if you want work for one hour or eight hours a day, write to THE BUTTERICK PUBLISHING CO., Butterick Building, New York City

A long oration goes lame on the stretch.

Garfield Tea helps humanity the world over. Taken for liver and kidney troubles, biliousness and constipation.

Babies at Half Price.
Little Bessie and her mamma were doing the sights of the town. Soon they came to a show where a ticket announced "Children Half Price."

"Oh, let us go in, mammy," said the little ones, "and buy a baby, now they're so cheap!"

OF NO IMPORTANCE.



"Are they to be married soon?"
"Well, he thinks they are."
"Oh! that's not of the slightest consequence in an affair of this kind. What does she think about it?"

DIFFERENT NOW.
Since the Sluggo, Coffee, Was Abandoned.

Coffee probably causes more biliousness and so-called malaria than any one other thing—even bad climate. (Tea is just as harmful as coffee because it contains caffeine, the drug in coffee).

A Ft. Worth man says:
"I have always been of a bilious temperament, subject to malaria and up to one year ago a perfect slave to coffee. At times I would be covered with boils and full of malarial poison, was very nervous and had swimming in the head."

"I don't know how it happened, but I finally became convinced that my sickness was due to the use of coffee, and a little less than a year ago I stopped coffee and began drinking Postum."

"From that time I have not had a boil, not had malaria at all, have gained 15 pounds good solid weight and know beyond all doubt this is due to the use of Postum in place of coffee, as I have taken no medicine at all."

"Postum has certainly made healthy, red blood for me in place of the blood that coffee drinking impoverished and made unhealthy." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Postum makes red blood.
"There's a reason," and it is explained in the little book, "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE TEXAS STATE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

The Convention Adopts Progressive Platform—Views on Tariff Expressed Freely, Etc.

Houston, Tex.—The democratic State convention adjourned Wednesday. During the session held the convention adopted the report of the majority of the platform and resolution committee; passed some general topic resolutions—among which was one urging the Thirty-third Texas legislature to make prompt appropriations to pay deficiency warrants to restore the Agricultural and Mechanical college buildings recently suffering from fire—and transacted other matters of routine properly coming before it.

When the reports of the majority and minority of the committee on platform and resolutions were before the convention, addresses were made by Cone Johnson of Smith county, M. M. Crane of Dallas, Frederick Opp of Llano county, Charles H. Mills of Navarro county, and Tom Ball of Harris county. While the addresses dealt with the platform about to be adopted to a certain extent, in no small measure they covered general topics pertinent to the democracy.

Majority Platform Report.
Following is the text of the majority report of the platform committee as adopted by the State democratic convention:

Hon. Cullen F. Thomas, chairman: We, your committee on platform, report as follows:

1. The democracy of Texas rejoices in the bright outlook for democratic victory in November. In the great national contest to be decided, democratic victory will be assured by patriotic action at Baltimore in naming candidates and in adopting a platform of democratic principles, reflecting an abiding confidence in the right and capacity of the people to rule, and thereby secure the blessings of liberty, protection of life and property, equality before the law and an honest administration of public affairs.

We commend to the Baltimore democratic convention as our party's candidate for president that great democrat, bright scholar, profound student of economics, Christian gentleman, capable executive and our foremost exponent of the dominant thought that privilege must be driven from power and the rule of the people be established—Woodrow Wilson.

Record of Achievements.
2. We congratulate the people of the country upon the record of achievements made by the democratic party in the recent session of congress, and especially upon the accomplishment during the present session under a democratic majority in the lower house. We commend the patriotism with which representatives of our party, while in the majority, put aside questions of party advantage, and with the aid of some of the republicans enacted laws for the relief of the people; and we commend the courage and patriotism with which, when in the majority, they put before the republican administration, unmindful of its pledges, comprehensive plans for relief from the oppressive republican tariff exactions.

The supreme issue before the American people is the issue of Privilege vs. the People. Privilege on the part of the trusts to plunder the people by means of interstate commerce, committed to the federal government, but not sufficiently governed, controlled or protected thereby; privilege of the great combined manufacturing interests to read into the law the measure of their exactions from the common people; privilege compacted, unified and solidified to wrest government from the hands of the people and administer it to their own interest and against the common good.

Denver Platform Reaffirmed.
3. We reaffirm the democratic platform promulgated by the democratic convention at Denver in 1908.

4. We demand an immediate revision of the tariff in the interest of the great mass of the consumers of the country in order that tax contributions may be limited to the necessities of the government and that they may not be made to pay tribute to any favored interest.

The protective tariff is founded in unjust discrimination and has been perpetuated by corrupting government, and under it there has been built up a system of pillage which has justly earned the name of "robbery."

We believe in the old-fashioned democratic doctrine of a tariff levied solely to produce a revenue sufficient for the support of the government and not levied for the protection of any interests, incidental or otherwise. In applying this principle of the revenue tariff, articles of prime necessity to the great body of people should be free of duty, unless required to be taxed in order to raise the necessary revenue for the support of the government; while luxuries and mere conveniences should be made to bear the greater burden of necessary taxation.

When this principle is applied and enforced it will put an end to any basis for the contention that certain raw materials or products should be put on the dutiable list because other articles are so placed; because democrats would levy tariff duties solely in the interest of the body of the people and not in response to the appeals of the particular interests to be affected.

Equal Rights to All.
No party having for its battle cry, "We demand our share of the spoils," can hope to rout the forces of graft and greed. Democracy must emblazon on its flag, "We are opposed to all protection because it is a denial of the cardinal democratic principle of

"equal rights to all and special privileges to none."

5. We do not abate one jot of our opposition to trusts, which in a large measure are fostered and made possible by the republican policy of protection. We reiterate the democratic doctrine that trust-controlled articles should be placed on the free list. We utterly deny the suggestion that there are good trusts and bad trusts, to be determined by the privilege or favor of some officer. This is a doctrine full of menace to property and threatening to the continuance of the republic when in the hands of reckless and imperious men.

We demand, instead, a firm, impartial and uninterrupted section of laws for the dissolution and utter destruction of all trusts, and the essential prosecution of all offenders and the strengthening of trust laws wherever necessary. To this end we suggest that all corporations engaged in interstate commerce be subjected to the inspection of their books, records and transactions by officers of the government, as our national banks now are, and that all corporations engaged in interstate commerce be required to secure a license from the federal government upon conditions definitely stated by congress, which license shall be forfeited upon lawful ascertaining of the violation of law.

Presidential Primary Elections.
6. We favor presidential primary elections in the respective states in order that the people by a majority vote may register their preference in the nomination of candidates for the presidency.

7. We congratulate the democratic party in its progress in forcing upon the republican administration a law limiting the expenditure of a member of congress to secure his election and heartily favor stringent regulations prohibiting contributions by corporations to campaign funds and limiting the amount which an individual may contribute and providing for publicity both before and after election, with the names of contributors, the amounts contributed and purposes for which expended, with strict and efficient penalties for a violation of such law.

If the republic is to be preserved active steps must be taken to prevent the debauching of elections, and this is one of the chief public concerns requiring prompt and adequate action.

8. We favor the nomination and election of United States senators by the direct vote of the people of the states.

9. We favor a tax upon incomes as a part of the revenue system of the federal government, as a just measure for equalizing the burdens of taxation and as an additional means of affording relief for tariff exactions.

Oppose Aldrich Currency Scheme.
10. We are opposed to the Aldrich currency scheme as a dangerous consolidation of the money power and we demand for the rehabilitation of our monetary system, by such revision of the national banking law as will decentralize the control of the nation's money and commercial credit, providing such a system as will safeguard it from domination by sectional or particular financial or political influences, and which will be fair to the honest business, farming and laboring interests of the whole country.

11. The democratic party has been the constant friend of labor both in the state and in the nation in securing adequate laws for its protection and the advancement of its interests. Injunctions ought not to issue in any case in which an injunction would not properly issue if no industrial dispute was involved, and we adhere to the right of trial by jury in the federal courts in cases of indirect complaint.

We recognize the right of labor and agricultural organizations to act together for the proper benefit of their membership, and such organizations should not be deemed illegal combinations in restraint of trade.

National Board of Arbitration.
We favor a national board of arbitration and consultation, but not of compulsory arbitration; a board clothed with the powers with which it can be legally clothed to investigate and adjust disputes and differences between corporations engaged in interstate commerce and their employees, when invoked by the parties at interest.

12. We hold the platform pledges of the party to be the covenant between such party and all of the people, binding on all officers and representatives of such party, and we regard the honest platforms thereof as the indispensable foundation of party government; while a disregard thereof necessarily leads to party destruction and to machine rule.

13. Subject to the limitations that the government shall be republican in form, we affirm the right of the people of each state to mold and change their institutions at pleasure according to their own judgment of what is to their best interests.

We agree with the candidates for the democratic nomination for president which have expressed themselves, and with Mr. Bryan, that the question of the initiative and referendum as a mode of legislation, and the recall, is not in this election a federal question, but that it is a question to be determined by the people of each state for themselves.

Vote as Unit for Wilson.

14. The delegates at large and the district delegates and all alternates to the Baltimore convention are hereby instructed to vote as a unit for Woodrow Wilson as the democratic nominee for president so long as his name is before the convention, and to use all honorable means to secure his nomination and voice the convictions of the Texas democracy that "with some other candidate we might win, but with Woodrow Wilson we are sure to win."

Said delegates are instructed to vote as a unit on all questions coming before said convention, the majority of the members of the delegation entitled to vote being authorized to decide how the vote shall be cast and to have it cast accordingly.

- L. A. Clarke, Chairman;
T. M. Campbell,
P. N. Ions,
Arch Grinnan,
John M. Henderson,
W. H. Mercer,
Cone Johnson,
R. E. Carswell,
T. W. Carlock,
W. S. Kemble,
Q. U. Watson,
Thomas McNeal,
R. C. Briggs,
Yancy Lewis,
W. F. Moore,
W. A. Foster,
Andrew L. Randall,
G. C. Grace,
Samuel Belden,
Scott Field,
W. A. Tarver,
O. L. Stribling,
F. B. Greaves,
S. S. Baker.

Report of the Minority.
The report of the minority of the platform committee, which was rejected by the convention, was as follows:

To the Honorable Cullen F. Thomas, Chairman of the Democratic State Convention at Houston—We, a minority of the committee on platform and resolutions, appointed by this convention, beg leave to submit the following minority report, to-wit:

1. We recommend that in lieu of all expressions in the majority report concerning the tariff that the following be inserted:
"We favor a tariff for revenue only, sufficiently to honestly and economically administer the affairs of the federal government, so laid as not to discriminate against any section or class of our common country."

2. We move the convention that the latter part of paragraph No. 5 of the platform report by the majority, which reads as follows:

"To this end we suggest that all corporations engaged in interstate commerce be subjected to the inspection of their books, records and transactions by officers of the government as our national banks now are, and that all corporations engaged in interstate commerce be required to secure a charter, but a license from the federal government upon conditions definitely stated by congress, which license shall be forfeited upon lawful ascertainment of the violation of the law," be not adopted, for the reason, among others, that to demand such course is equivalent to demanding that the United States government take jurisdiction over all trading corporations in the state of Texas or in any other state which sells all or any part of their products in any state other than the one in which they are situated; and, further, that it requires all transportation lines, including railroads, telegraph and telephone lines, which do an interstate business, to be under the constant supervision and control of such officer or tribunal which might, under such demands, be created by the acts of congress, and under such conditions, if a large trunk line entering Texas should be denied by such tribunal or officer a license to do business, or after having been allowed such license the same should be revoked, serious results would follow, not only to such transportation, but to all of the people of the state or country through which such transportation line might pass, and whose commerce it handled. If, as suggested, in such a case a federal receiver might be appointed to operate such line or lines pending adjustment, it would mean that our transportation lines would be handled by numerous petty officials, ranging from the general manager to the section hands, and equally serious results would follow from handling of the general commerce and industry of the country through the instrument-

ality of the federal government.
Jonahna Lane,
Q. U. Watson,
Clarence Ousley,
W. B. Davis,
J. T. Adams.

Platform Committee Report.
The following resolutions reported by the platform committee were adopted by the democratic State convention:

"Resolved, That we indorse the movement for the development of the interoceanic canal and pledge the Texas democracy to that improvement of our waterways;

"Resolved, That the resolution of Congressman Smith, introduced in the lower house of congress, calling for the appointment by the state department of an official to investigate and report upon the personal injuries sustained by citizens of the State of Texas from the fire from the Mexican side of the Rio Grande during the late battle of Juarez be recommended and indorsed;

"Resolved, That we urge the Thirty-third legislature of Texas to make prompt appropriations to pay deficiency warrants issued or to be issued for the repair of the main building and mess hall recently suffered from fire at the A. and M. College."

The delegates to the National democratic convention at Baltimore, the alternates, congressional district electors, electors at large and district delegates and alternates, as named by the Texas State democratic convention, are as follows:

Delegates at Large.

- Cone Johnson of Tyler.
Thomas W. Gregory of Austin.
Charles A. Culbertson of Dallas.
Thomas H. Ball of Houston.
M. M. Crane of Dallas.
Thomas M. Campbell of Palestine.
Marshall Hicks of San Antonio.
Robert L. Henry of Waco.
Alternates to Delegates at Large.
Thomas S. Henderson of Cameron.
M. M. Brooks of Dallas.
Albert S. Burleson of Austin.
I. W. Stephens of Fort Worth.
Thomas B. Love of Dallas.
Marcellus E. Foster of Houston.
William M. Rice of Houston.
T. S. Garrison of Timpson.

Congressional District Electors.

- First—J. M. Henderson, Morris.
Second—W. T. Norman, Cherokee.
Third—M. D. Carlock, Wood.
Fourth—W. L. Hay, Grayson.
Fifth—John D. McRae, Ellis.
Sixth—J. K. Freeman, Milam.
Seventh—I. A. Daniels, Houston.
Eighth—Thomas H. Stone, Harris.
Ninth—J. R. Kubena, Fayette.
Tenth—J. M. Mathis, Washington.
Eleventh—C. W. Taylor, Bell.
Twelfth—T. H. Hiner, Hood.
Thirteenth—J. W. Sullivan, Denton.
Fourteenth—M. D. Slaton, Llano.
Fifteenth—J. T. Briscoe, Medina.
Sixteenth—Walter S. Pope, Jones.

Electors at Large.

- Harry P. Lawther of Dallas, George D. Armistead of the San Antonio Express, H. G. Wagner of Temple, Felix J. McCord of Longview (former judge of the court of criminal appeals).
District Delegates and Alternates.
The following are the delegates and alternates to the democratic national convention from the Texas congressional districts:

First—Delegates: T. M. Scott, Lamar; C. E. Terry, Red River. Alternates: C. L. Duncan, Titus; B. F. Sherrill, Marion.

Second—Delegates: Eugene H. Blount, Nacogdoches; T. W. Davidson, Harrison. Alternates: Stuart R. Smith, Jefferson; Jake Watson, Sabine.

Third—Delegates: James M. Edwards, Smith; R. T. Brown, Rusk. Alternates: J. S. McIlwaine, Henderson; Albert Watkins, Smith.

Fourth—Delegates: Byron Mock, Hunt; Clarence Merritt, Collin. Alternates: M. C. Spivey, Fannin; R. B. Semple, Fannin.

Fifth—Delegates: Royal R. Watkins, Dallas; J. R. Mayhew, Ellis. Alternates: E. D. Foree, Rockwall; J. N. Fallis, Bosque.

Sixth—Delegates: Charles Mills, Navarro; Ed Hall, Brazos. Alternates: A. Ross, Bell; A. T. Schulz, Limestone.

Seventh—Delegates: J. C. Feagin, Polk; C. L. Edmondson, Houston. Alternates: J. T. West, Trinity; S. L. Smith, Chambers.

Eighth—Delegates: W. L. Hill, Walker; Hood Boone, Grimes. Alternates: B. P. Carter, Madison; S. A. Crawford, Montgomery.

Ninth—Delegates: W. S. Holman, Matagorda; Scott Dilworth, Gonzales. Alternates: Wayne Davis, Goliad; R. L. Daniel, Victoria.

Tenth—Delegates: Thad Thompson, Austin; Cooper Sansom, Williamson. Alternates: W. W. Searcy, Washington; C. T. Bass, Hays.

Eleventh—Delegates: A. R. McCollum, McLennan; Church Bartlett, Falls. Alternates: S. B. Sadler, Coryell; L. O. Peck, Hamilton.

Twelfth—Delegates: Clifford G. Beckham, Tarrant; B. M. Unterback, Erath. Alternates: H. P. Brown, Johnson; Sid Harris, Comanche.

Thirteenth—Delegates: A. D. Rogers, Wise; R. E. Huff, Victoria. Alternates: J. C. Marshall, Hardeman; J. L. Ruddy, Montague.

Fourteenth—Delegates: Perry J. Lewis, Bexar; Arch Grinnan, Brown. Alternates: J. F. Nooe, Kendall; Jack Hamilton, Kerr.

Fifteenth—Delegates: Dr. A. H. Evans, Maverick; R. W. Rudson, Frio. Alternates: Frank Rabb, Cameron; Amador Sanchez, Webb.

Sixteenth—Delegates: A. C. Hughes, Nolan; Zach Lamar Cobb, El Paso. Alternates: John H. Garner, Eastland; John H. Cochran, Nolan.

THE SAFE LAXATIVE FOR ELDERLY PEOPLE

Most elderly people are more or less troubled with a chronic, persistent constipation, due largely to lack of sufficient exercise. They experience difficulty in digesting even light food, with a consequent belching of stomach gases, drowsiness after eating, headache and a feeling of lassitude and general discomfort.

Doctors advise against cathartics and violent purgatives of every kind, recommending a mild, gentle laxative tonic, like Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, to effect relief without disturbing the entire system.

Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is the perfect laxative, easy in action, certain in effect and, withal, pleasant to the taste. It possesses tonic properties that strengthen the stomach, liver and bowels and is a remedy that has been for years the great standby in thousands of families, and should be in every family medicine chest. It is equally as valuable for children as for elderly people.

Druggists everywhere sell Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin in 50¢ and \$1.00 bottles. If you have never tried it send your name and address to Dr. W. B. Caldwell, 201 Washington St., Monticello, Ill., and he will be very glad to send a sample bottle for trial.

Got a New Wife.
"Wombat is working like a horse. He used to be rather lazy. Why the change?"
"He's under a new management. His latest wife needs a lot of expensive things."

The woman who cares for a clean, wholesome mouth, and sweet breath, will find Paxtine Antiseptic a joy forever. At druggists, 25¢ a box or sent postpaid on receipt of price by The Paxton Toilet Co., Boston, Mass.

Hibernian.
Knicker—What is a stepladder car?
Bocker—A step in the right direction.

Which wins? Garfield Tea always wins on its merits as the best herb cathartic.

Always meet people with a smile—if it's your treat.

An Easy Way
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IT TONES—STRENGTHENS—INVIGORATES—REBUILDS
Try a bottle today and be convinced. All Druggists.

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Nine times in ten when the liver is right the stomach and bowels are right.
CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS
LIVER PILLS gently but firmly compel a lazy liver to do its duty.
Cures Constipation, Indigestion, Sick Headache, and Distress After Eating.
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Frequent Encounters Take Place Between Federals and Insurgents. Monteagudo Had No Losses.

Havana.—Estenoz, the real leader of the negro insurgents, has captured and burned the town of Lamaya, on the branch line of the Cuba railroad, thirty miles from Santiago.

A column of regulars, commanded by Major Sangui, had occupied Lamaya for the last two days, but sallied forth last evening in search of insurgents. Hardly had the regulars left when Estenoz with 800 men attacked the handful of rurales. Citizens armed themselves and attempted to oppose the insurgents, but were compelled to retreat, losing several wounded. Estenoz then entered the town, which he burned and sacked.

The flames were seen by Majilla's command, which hastened back, but found the town destroyed. The insurgents retired into the hills. It is a small place composed of about seventy houses, inhabitants of which were mostly negroes.

Encounters between regulars and rebels are reported to have taken place near Daiquiri and other places without decisive result. The movement of the Cuban troops apparently is still deferred pending disposition of the troops ordered by General Monteagudo.

Reports from the scene of hostilities say that the rebel leaders continue to exact contributions of arms and money from property owners, who are mostly foreigners, under threat of applying the torch. The government is making strong efforts to supply plantation guards, but seemingly lacks sufficient men without depleting the ranks of the troops in active service.

General Monteagudo, in a statement to the government, says he has had no losses up to the present. General Monteagudo says that within a short time he expects to deliver a crushing blow, and adds that he does not need further reinforcements.

The government received a dispatch Sunday night from San Luis stating that negroes entered a hamlet near that place, attacked three white women and looted the stores. This apparently is within the lines of the regular troops. The judge of instruction of Guantanamo issued a formal proclamation of indictment on the charge of rebellion against Estenoz, Ivonet and forty followers, whose names were given.

Rumors, with a vague basis, continue to be circulated of an uprising in Havana province. It is alleged that hardware dealers recently sold several thousand knives, daggers and machetes to negroes. All the police and rurales in Havana are on reserve duty.

Money for Widows.

New York.—Seventy-two widows, sixty-three of whom lost their husbands in the Titanic disaster, have already received or will soon receive nearly one-half of the \$150,000 fund raised by the Red Cross emergency relief committee, according to a report made public Sunday. The report calls attention to several pathetic cases. A Miss Flood lost nine relatives on the sinking ship; Mrs. Johnson, a professional singer, was so overcome by the shock of her husband's death that she lost her voice and is unable to support herself.

Aviator and Passenger Killed.

Bremen.—Albert Buchtaetter, one of the well known German aviators, and his passenger, Lieutenant Sille of the German army, were killed Sunday when their monoplane plunged to the ground just after starting on the northwest aviation circuit of 425 miles.

Lightning Ignites Oil Tank.

Texas City, Tex.—Sunday morning lightning struck a tank containing crude oil at the Pierce-Fordyce oil refinery, setting it on fire. The tank which caught fire is one of those just completed, and had a capacity of 60,000 barrels, one of the two largest owned by the company.

American Girl Kills Herself.

Paris.—Miss Margaret Cravens of Madison, Ind., committed suicide in Paris Sunday. She shot herself through the heart with a revolver, death being instantaneous. Miss Cravens received a letter from America Friday, the contents of which seemed to have affected her greatly.

Harlingen Waterworks Improvements.

Harlingen, Tex.—The 50,000-gallon stand tower for the new waterworks in Harlingen has arrived and will be erected at once. The entire structure will be of steel and will be the largest elevated tank south of Kingsville in the valley.

Are Shipping Watermelons.

Brownsville, Tex.—Two carloads of watermelons were shipped out Saturday, one to El Paso and one to San Antonio. These are the first cars of watermelons shipped in the United States this season.

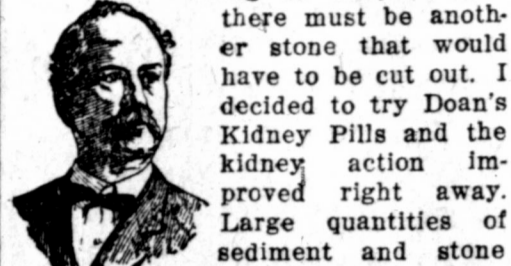
Rain Saves Ranch Cattle.

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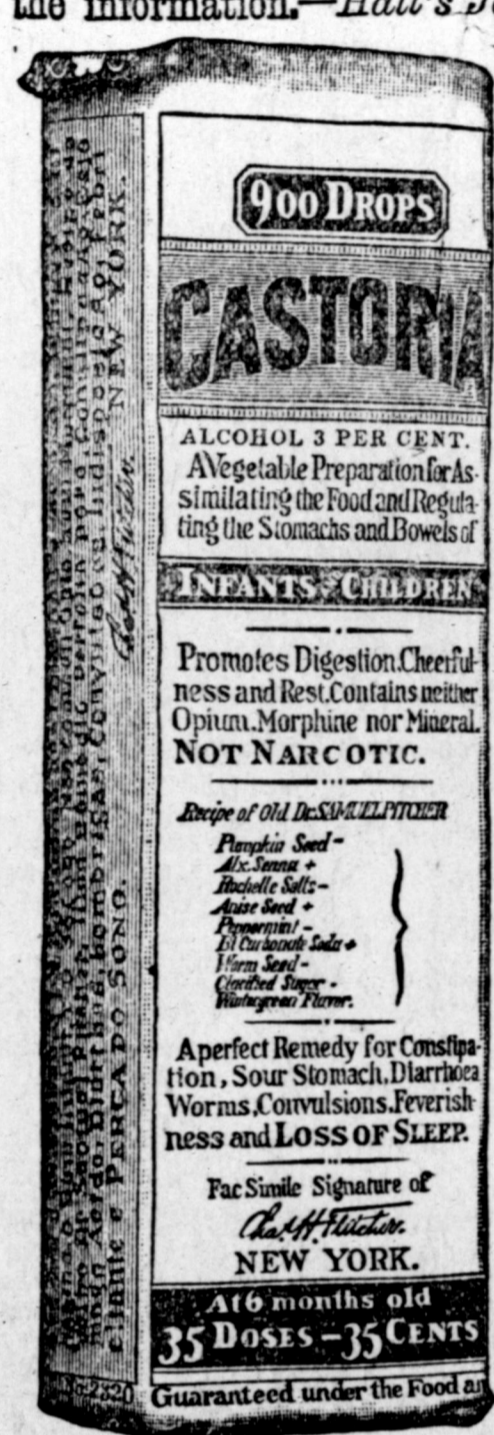
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Local News

Uvalde vs. Brackett.

Base Ball to-morrow.

Double Header Sunday.

J. W. Nolan spent Sunday in town with his family.

When in need of a cool drink, see Reming.

Fritz Herbst, of the Sycamore, was in town Friday.

If you need an Automobile Mechanic, get N. W. Newton.

Sheriff Tom Perry was in Spofford Monday on official business.

Joe Rose spent Sunday in San Antonio with relatives and friends.

Be present at the base ball games and see the fourteen pitching pitchers work.

F. W. Church and Ham Ward, of San Antonio, were in Brackett the latter part of last week on business.

Mrs. J. D. Fielder, and daughters Velma and Celia of Taylor, are visiting B. F. Isgrig and family this week.

Miss Katie Filippone, returned home Monday after closing a successful term of school at Robstown.

For your Sunday smoke try Reming's Cafe. He has cigars to burn.

W. F. Holmes is preparing to grub fifty acres more of land on his new farm and will plant same in a variety of crops. Hope he has success.

Judge and Mrs. James Cornell returned this week. Mr. Cornell has been on professional business to Kentucky while Mrs. Cornell has been visiting relatives in Brackett.—Sonora News.

A fly is dangerous and one of the most dirty things on earth; that is the reason that all fruit and vegetables are kept under screens at the New Fruit Stand. If you want nice, fresh, clean fruit, tell Carl, he'll deliver it.

Gregorio Talamantes had the misfortune to be thrown by a horse Monday evening and was severely injured, having had his collar bone broken and his shoulder badly wrenched. He is getting along very nicely now and we hope he will soon recover.

Mrs. John Weyerts of Alpine and Fritz Poehler of Brackettville, who were here for the funeral of their father, the late Henry W. Poehler, have returned to their homes. Henry Poehler Jr. who was also here will spend some time with his mother before returning to Brackettville.—Hondo Anvil Herald

The Fourth of July celebration at Eagle Pass is to be a southwest Texas celebration in which all the towns of this section will be invited to participate. The Secretary of the Commercial Club is addressing letters to the civic and commercial organizations of Del Rio, Brackett, Crystal City, Carrizo Springs, Uvalde, and other west Texas cities asking their cooperation in this celebration, and he promises them that Eagle Pass will reciprocate the courtesy at any time our neighboring cities give celebrations and will come in full force with a brass band to help enliven things.—Eagle Pass News-Guide.

Sell for cash only, but cheaper—See Carl.

Uvalde vs Brackett Saturday and Sunday.

Jim Clamp returned Tuesday from San Antonin.

L. N. Lewis and J. T. Green, of Spofford, were in Brackett Friday.

Fred Beeler, of Del Rio was in our city Wednesday morning on business.

J. C. Hyberger, of Knippa, was was in Brackett Saturday on business.

Gus Kroschel, the hyde buyer, of Del Rio was in our city Saturday on business.

The best games of the season will be played to-morrow afternoon and Sunday.

C. M. Dever, representing the San Antonio Express, was in Brackett Saturday.

For the children, Ice Cream Cones at Reming's.

County Attorney J. Q. Henry, of Del Rio, was in Brackett Tuesday on professional business.

California Wines at the California Exchange. The best wine made. Try it and be convinced.

Miss Rosa Tagliabue, of Del Rio, was visiting here this week, the guest of Miss Maggie Filippone.

N. W. Newton the black smith wants your work.

Hiney Veltmann and Bernard, the fourteen inning pitchers will work in one of the games Saturday or Sunday.

Our friend Chatham, of Uvalde, is going to bring over a good ball team to-morrow. Don't fail to see the games.

Miss Mary Veltmann is assisting in the Post office during the absence of Miss Alece, who is taking a vacation.

Buy it now. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is almost certain to be needed before the summer is over. Buy it now and be prepared for such an emergency. For sale by all dealers.

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Misses Maggie Filippone and Della Rose returned Friday from Del Rio where they spent several days with friends.

The rain fall Saturday morning amounted to an inch and half. The farmers have bright prospects of raising a big crop of cotton and corn this year.

Horse shoeing \$1.00 at N. W. Newton's.

Chas E. Davis, of San Antonio, representing the Southwestern Paper Co. of Houston, was here Saturday morning and received a nice order of paper stock from this office.

Brackett now owns the fastest diamond and the best base ball park in Texas. Be out and see it tomorrow and you will also see one of the best base ball teams in southwest Texas.

Quite a number of citizens were employed this week in the Q. M. Corrals as drivers etc. About sixty fine mules were received at the Fort and some of them are a bit fractious.

Lightning struck the chimney of "G" troop Sunday evening and did considerable damage, mostly to the nerves of the boys in quarters at the time. The wires at the pump house were also burned out.

If you happen to drop in at the drug store just talk about farming to Doc Holmes. Since he bought the Poehler farm we hear him talking very seriously about such problems as the rain fall, how to plant sorghum, beans and squash and how long it takes turnips to get ripe. He is a very enthusiastic farmer.

Base Ball Uvalde vs Brackett Saturday and Sunday.

Go to the California Exchange for the best grade of wines, liquors and cigars.

Hugh King was in from the ranch the first of the week and reports good rains in his vicinity.

The best California Wine at the California Exchange. Next door to Stratton store.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Nabors and the Misses Zuehl, of Spofford, attended the Eastern Star Installation Friday night.

The Dutch colony had two dandy rains and consequently are happy. Cotton and corn are assured and we believe that there will be bumper crops of both.

Board of Equalization

The Commissioners' Court met as a Board of Equalization on Friday last, May 31, and quite a number of taxpayers were present to show cause why, etc. Among the most important proceedings was the reduction from \$4.50 per acre to \$4.00 on the Dolores land, property of Augustus F. Beidler, and the reduction from \$10,000 per mile to \$9,500 of the S. P. Railroad. Court then adjourned as a Board of Equalization and met in special session, the following proceedings being had: John Stadler and Jim Nance were allowed to connect with the County Water Works at \$1.50 per month; John Villareal was given permission to live in the County Hospital, the County Clerk was ordered to notify the former J. P. of Prec. No. 4, to settle up according to the Auditor's report, the Commissioners drew their per diem and Court adjourned.

Putting on a Show.

It was reported the first of the week that Walter Weathersbee was fixing to open up a big circus down at Standart. Someone had declared that the first ear of sea-lions had arrived and that other wild animals were to follow. We went to work and made investigations, only to find that the sea lions were Brahma cattle shipped Mr. Weathersbee by Al McFadin, of Victoria.

They were two and three year old bulls and were of the sacred kind of which we have read so much.—Del Rio Herald.

Sheep Sales.

J. B. Blakeney sold 650 dry sheep to B. F. Hallingsworth, of Uvalde, last week through the W. K. Shipman Commission Co., at \$2.50 per head

J. B. Blakeney sold Dan Murrab 630 ewes and lambs at \$3.50 per pair.

J. B. Blakeney sold Wm. Guest 700 goals last week at \$2.00 per head.—Del Rio Herald.

MAKE THE SERMONS BETTER

Dr. Charles F. Aked Points His Lesson to Preachers With a Story About Gladstone.

"The preacher who complains of poor or inattentive congregations," said Dr. Charles F. Aked, in a recent address in New York, "would perhaps do better to devote to the improvement of his sermons the time spent on these complaints.

"This type of preacher generally belongs to the Cannes class which Mrs. Gladstone naively condemned.

"Mrs. Gladstone and her famous husband went to Cannes one January, and on Sunday morning, of course, they repaired to the English church.

"But when the sermon began Mr. Gladstone frowned and squirmed, then whispered to Mrs. Gladstone, fretfully:

"I can't hear him."

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Spofford Locals

Reece Walker visited friends in Brackettville Tuesday.

J. W. Musgrave is visiting relatives in Pleasanton this week.

Hon. Jos. Boehmer of Eagle Pass visited friends here Tuesday.

Mrs. J. W. Musgrave is visiting relatives in Pleasanton this week.

Jim Clam of Brackettville was transacting business here Sunday.

Phil Griffin of Brackettville was transacting business here Tuesday.

W. H. Parsons of Uvalde was transacting business here Tuesday.

Potter Dillard of the West ranch was transacting business here Monday.

Harve Maddox of Kickapoo Springs visited friends here Monday.

John Ware of the Parsons ranch was transacting business here Saturday.

Henry Salmon was in from the ranch Tuesday transacting business.

Gus Black and Son Lytle of the Black ranch visited friends here Saturday.

Dr. F. J. Gilson of Brackettville was here Tuesday on professional business.

T. W. Johnson was transacting business in San Antonio several days this week.

Lamb Williams of Eagle Pass is the guest of J. W. Musgrave's family this week.

W. E. Stovall of Waco was here several days this week looking

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Mrs. T. J. DeRossett of the Las Moras visited friends here Tuesday.

Henry Schmidt of the Pinto was transacting business here Tuesday.

Clyde Kelso of the Kennedy ranch was transacting business here Tuesday.

Lucien Roguey of the Martin ranch was transacting business here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Gay were in from the ranch Tuesday the guests of the Misses Curtis.

J. T. Power and Son Willie of the Las Moras were transacting business here Tuesday.

Sheriff Tom Perry of Brackettville was transacting official business here Monday.

Rev. W. H. Matthews of Del Rio preached in the School House auditorium Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Gilbert and Miss Jessie White of Anacacho visited friends here Tuesday.

County Commissioner L. N. Lewis attended Commissioners court in Brackettville this day.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Viek and child of the Houston and Tom ranch visited friends here Tuesday.

W. N. Fleming of Victoria is spending the week on the Fleming and Davidson ranch south of here.

Mrs. A. L. York and Son Joe returned home Sunday from

Uvalde where they visited several weeks.

Miss Fay Racer of Uvalde was the guest of the Misses Curtis several days this week.

Walter Ray and Willie Musgrave spent several days on the Chicon Creek fishing this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Scarborough of Brackettville were the guests of the Misses Curtis Tuesday.

Misses Ewing and Mintie Neely were in from the ranch Sunday the guests of the Misses Curtis.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Nabors attended the Eastern Star installation in Brackettville Friday night.

The Misses Zuehl and Frederick Zuehl attended the Eastern Star installation in Brackettville Friday night.

Green Davidson of San Antonio is spending the week on the Fleming and Davidson ranch south of here.

Troop E 3rd U. S. Cavalry Lieut Somerville Commanding enroute Eagle Pass to Ft. Sam Houston camped here Wednesday.

Misses Bessie, Kathleen and Gertrude Zuehl are the guests of their Aunt, Mrs. Frank Voelcker in San Antonio this week.

John Speer was here Saturday with a wagon load of produce and vegetables from the Gilder truck gardens on the Las Moras.

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Bird Sense.

Hugh Overstreet brought down a bird's nest from his home Wednesday morning that is indeed a fine specimen of bird cuteness and sense, if such terms are permissible.

The next is that of a Spanish canary and is made from the fiber of a palm and was swung up beneath a huge fan leaf by threads that balance it perfectly. The threads made from the fiber of the palm are stitched through the thick leaf, as if the job had been done by human hands.

Mr. and Mrs. Overstreet watched the carrying out of the work and say that the bird would make holes through the leaf with its bill and carry the thread backwards and forwards through it until the fastening was secure.

Some boy with an air gun killed the mother bird and broke up the nest, hence Hugh brought it down town to show. —Van Verde County Herald.

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Mrs. Anderson's Mother Dies.

The many Uvalde friends of Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Anderson will learn with regret of the death of Mrs. Beatty, mother of Mrs. Anderson. The following item is clipped from The Commonwealth of Scotland Neck, N. C.

"Just as we go to press this morning (Wednesday) we learn of the death of Mrs. Beatty, which occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. R. W. Anderson. Mrs. Beatty came here several months ago to visit her daughter at the Rectory and about three or four weeks ago received a fall from which she never fully recovered, on account of her age.

Our people deeply sympathize with the bereaved family.—Uvalde Leader News.

Kill the Weeds.

Farmers ought to make a systematic war upon weeds. Not only ought each farmer so cultivate his soil and handle his crop as to get rid of the weeds, but there ought to be co-operation among farmers. It avails little for one farmer to kill the weeds when his neighbors allow them to grow to maturity and scatter the seed everywhere.

Nor is it sufficient to cultivate your fields. Go into the fence corners; go upon the roadside; kill the weeds before they begin to seed.

Every county ought to have a weed-killing crusade. These highways are public roads, and it becomes the duty, therefore, of the road overseers or supervisors to kill all the weeds along the roadside, in order to protect the adjoining farms.—Home and Farm.

During the summer months mothers of young children should watch for any unnatural looseness of the bowels. When given prompt attention at this time serious trouble may be avoided. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon. For sale by all dealers.

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NEWS ITEMS OF INTEREST

NEWS THAT IS NEWS, WHEN IT IS NEWS, FOR ALL.

FROM EVERY CORNER OF THE LAND

Happenings the Wide World Over of Important Events Condensed to Good Reading.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

Immediate legislation to prevent the promiscuous use of habit-forming drugs was urged by President Taft in a message to congress Saturday. The message was accompanied by a report from Secretary of State Knox declaring that unless speedy action is taken on measures now pending in congress "the American government may be justly accused of being half-hearted in its effort to mitigate or suppress the opium and allied evils."

Representative Steenerson of Minnesota has presented a petition signed by 31,079 "farmers who farm," asking for the repeal of the reciprocity act last Canada at some time accept its terms.

The senate committee on finance Saturday voted to place in the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill the appropriation for the commerce court, eliminated by the house.

The senate passed the house bill providing for extending eight-hour principle to contracts on government labor work.

Thirty-three or perhaps thirty-four feet of water may be obtained for Galveston channel by September 1 and maintained thereafter if an addition to the rivers and harbors bill is agreed upon in conference. This provision is to be independent of the provision for a survey for thirty-five feet for the whole Galveston project.

The senate Wednesday rejected, by 12 to 60, the Cummins substitute to the house iron and steel bill, which would have provided for free ores, except for lead and zinc, and would have made heavy cuts in other schedules of the present tariff law.

The army appropriation bill, as reported back to the senate Tuesday by the conferees with anti-administration amendments, would legislate Adjutant General Wood out of office as chief of the staff and would leave the location and distribution of military posts to a commission of retired army officers and two members each of the senate and house committee on military affairs.

The senate judiciary committee Tuesday reported adversely the resolution of Senator Curtis of Kansas, which proposed making the whole number of presidential electors equal to the number of senators and representatives under the congressional apportionment of the census report of 1910.

STATE AND DOMESTIC NEWS.

Clubs—	Games Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Houston	50	30	600
Beaumont	45	24	533
Dallas	51	27	529
Waco	50	25	500
San Antonio	51	25	490
Austin	50	24	480
Galveston	48	21	438
Fort Worth	49	21	429

In round numbers there are 32,000 saw mills in the United States, which manufacture approximately 33,500,000,000 feet of lumber, 12,200,000,000 shingles and 3,000,000,000 lath annually. East Texas has \$25,000,000 invested in 427 saw mills, which have an annual output of 2,100,000,000 feet of pine and 300,000,000 feet of hardwood, a total of 2,400,000,000 feet of lumber. There are 799 manufacturing establishments in Texas which produce lumber or lumber and timber products. These employ 23,518 men on an average throughout the year, producing products valued at \$32,201,000 annually. The lumber and timber industries employ 33.5 per cent of the entire number of persons employed in manufacturing establishments in Texas. Salaried men employed receive annually a total of \$1,484,000 and wage earners the sum of \$11,602,000.

The Texas State Ginnery's Association closed its two days' convention at Dallas Friday after selecting Dallas as the permanent meeting place and headquarters of the association, re-electing President Charles E. Baughman of Brownwood and Secretary W. G. Eubanks of Brownwood and naming Steve T. Christian of Waco as vice president.

Effective June 1, and expiring August 31, the Katy is authorized to apply a rate of three-fourths of one cent per ton per mile, based on short line mileage, only carloads, minimum 30,000 pounds, from McKinney, Denton, Farmersville, Dallas, Denton, Galesville, Fort Worth, Waco and Hillsboro to Greensville.

Lillian Graham, the show girl, who, with Ethel Conrad, was acquitted of the charge of having attempted the life of W. E. D. Stokes, filed suit against Stokes Saturday in New York asking \$100,000 damages for "false and malicious prosecution."

Eugene Baxter, alias Eugene Nelson, Tom White and Steve Johnson, negroes, were hanged at St. Augustine, Fla., Friday from the same scaffold. Baxter and Johnson were convicted of the murder of Simon Silverstein, a Jacksonville grocer, on March 2. Baxter and White professed their innocence on the scaffold.

A proposition to erect a monument 800 feet high on the present site of the Mission San Antonio de Valero, to stand in honor of the Alamo heroes, has been submitted to the city council. The estimated cost of the construction of this immense tower would be \$2,000,000, and if completed, would be the tallest building in the world, exceeded in height only by the Eiffel Tower.

Decoration Day was fitly observed throughout Texas Thursday.

Governor Wilson's victory in New Jersey Wednesday and the complete sweep he made in Minnesota and Texas gives him in a single day no less than eighty-eight delegates to the Baltimore convention.

A. H. Van Slyke, a real estate man, was shot and instantly killed on the streets at Richmond Wednesday by W. M. Andrus.

The Texas State democratic convention at Houston Wednesday adopted a ringing progress platform and instructed a delegation to vote as a unit for Wilson.

Meat prices have now reached the highest point since the civil war.

The Farmers' Union have arranged to borrow money on cotton and market the staple at growers' discretion at the meeting at Fort Worth Wednesday.

The general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church closed at Minneapolis Wednesday.

Champ Clark carried Arizona in the primaries for democratic presidential candidacy.

Thirty brides-to-be from Scotland and Ireland reached New York Wednesday on the steamer Caledonia from Glasgow. Most of the young women are bound for points west of the Mississippi and in Southwestern Canada.

A charter was filed Tuesday at Austin of the Texas Power and Light Company to operate in North Texas with a capitalization of \$13,000,000, all subscribed.

Fourteen hundred flood refugees in the vicinity of Jena, La., have had no rations for ten days. Relief was sent from New Orleans Tuesday.

Hot weather is promised for this week over the greater part of the country east of the Rockies. While temperatures will average generally above the normal on this side of the Rockies, they will be generally below on the Pacific slope.

The Dayton oil field is again coming into prominence. For the past few weeks drilling has been going on in that section of the oil field south of Dayton, and known as "The Bottoms." Local capitalists from Houston have financed the company, which is now operating in this field.

A negro was burned at the stake on the public square at Tyler, Texas, Saturday after confessing guilt of assault on a white girl.

After conferences between engineers and interests affected, the fight was abandoned to close the 2,250-foot gap in the Hymel levee near New Orleans, La.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The dockworkers' strike in London, England, remains unchanged.

The cables of a bridge under construction for the Bango railroad at Manila collapsed Saturday, killing twelve men and injuring ten others.

Later developments disclose the fact that the Mexican federals have won no victory, but are being trapped by Orozco.

Rebels in the state of Durango have shown no disposition to molest American citizens.

The British steamer Anillion, which sailed from Liverpool May 15 for Jamaica, ran ashore on a reef at the northeast extremity of Grand Turk, Island of Bahamas, Friday. The vessel lies easily and is not leaking.

President Gomez of Cuba has advised General Monteagudo, the commander in chief of the Cuban army, who is at the scene of hostilities in the province of Oriente, that the general might permit American marines to land on Cuban soil to guard foreign property.

The Colima volcano is again active since a series of earthquakes at Guadalajara, Mexico.

The threat of Rebel Leader Orozco to relax discipline and allow his followers to attack American property, does not seem to worry Americans in Mexico.

The European section of the Carnegie Foundation for International Peace concluded its meeting at Paris Wednesday.

The English shipowners have refused the government's invitation to meet representatives of the dock workers now on strike in England.

The Mexican department of finance has placed the \$10,000,000 gold loan, recently authorized by congress for the building up of the army, with Speyer & Co. of New York and Speyer Brothers of London. The bonds mature one year from date. They draw 4 1/2 per cent interest, and were taken at 99.

The plant of the American Smelting and Refining Company at Valendania, Mex., which was officially reported on Tuesday to have been destroyed by rebels, who sacked the town last week, is valued at \$1,000,000 and has 3,000 men on its pay rolls. Among these employes are fifty Americans. The plant is situated fifty miles southwest of Torreon.

The condition of Gonzales C. Enrile, righthand man of General Orozco, who was stabbed recently by unknown assassins, is said to be rapidly growing serious. Blood poisoning has set in. He is now at Chihuahua.

"Moth Miller" Hat



Photo, Copyright, by Underwood & Underwood, N. Y.
The trimming of the hat in the photograph is a replica of a moth miller. Fashionable milliners in New York now are trimming summer hats with representatives of the butterfly class. The hat is most effective when worn with a tailored gown or shirtwaist suit.

EMBELLISH THE FIRST MEAL

Exceedingly Dainty Are the Breakfast Sets Offered in the Stores Just Now.

Exceedingly dainty breakfast sets include a cloth and small napkins of linen damask bordered with an English chintz flower design in green and red, green and pink, or green and yellow and are hemstitched bordered. Another is of linen crash embroidered in crossstitch and a third of pineapple patterned linen is edged with hand-crocheting. New designs for table cloths include Belgian double damask with borders for square and round tables which begin at the center and widen to the edge; Irish linen with pin dots with scroll borders, clover leaves, shamrocks and lilies, and hemstitched plain linens with filet lace monograms in one corner.

Show towels are of pure heavy Irish linen deeply embroidered in floral pattern along one end of damask with deep borders in flet medallions and of huckaback with hemstitched damask ends and side borders. Guest towels of 15 by 24 inch dimensions match the materials and decorations of the show towels and are always laid out in company with them.

MODISH MILLINERY



The Picture Hat in Its Deplumed Perfection.

Boots for Tramping.
Such boots as are to be dedicated to tramping should be scrubbed well with English harness soap and then treated to two coats of a good waterproofing oil. This will keep them soft, no matter how often they are soaked. These little attentions bestowed on well-built shoes will do much toward keeping their wearers well shod and will save many dollars.

When it comes to buying it must be remembered that summer means loose shoes or else discomfort. A ready-made shoe should be bought either a trifle wider than the size usually worn or else a half size longer. This will be found a great saving on the stockings, too.

CARE OF CHILDREN'S CLOTHES

Little Things Most Mothers Know and That All Should Have Full Knowledge Of.

Mothers should learn how to distinguish materials which fade, shrink, spot or go to pieces.

Get samples and test the goods before buying.

Try the threads with the match test; wool may be recognized by the bad odor, there being none from cotton.

Boil the sample in a five per cent solution of caustic potash for 15 minutes.

The caustic potash destroys the wool and leaves the cotton.

All wool goods disappear entirely under this test.

Samples put in sunlight show the value of the different colors.

Brown in a woolen material will fade, but will hold its color better in cotton.

Green, unless in fine goods, is risky.

Beware of lavender or light blue.

Black in cotton shows the starch and often fades.

Dark blue changes little in woolen materials or gingham.

Red is good in wool.

Deep pink is the best color, as it fades evenly.

OUTFIT FOR READING IN BED

Russian Blouse Gown and Cap Go With This Somewhat Reprehensible Habit.

To read while in bed is most reprehensible, but if you persist in the practice be sure to have the proper outfit—a Russian blouse reading gown and a curl paper covering cap. The gown, which reaches almost to the knees, is a front closing blouse with elbow length cut-in-one sleeves and rounded-out neck which is finished with a broad collar of side plaited white mulline. You may make the blouse of pale-toned wool, satin or messaline, and embroider or applique it with birds and butterflies or of a flowered thin silk lined with light-weight flannel. Just above the normal waist line draw in the fulness with a rope of silk cordage. The cap of silk matching the grounding of the gown is merely a circular piece filled on to a narrow ribbon, over which is placed a wide frill of plaited mulline, and at one side, usually above the left ear tip, may be placed a big bow of black velvet ribbon.

Pocket Inside Pocket.
Inside the pocket of the housekeeper's aprons make a tiny pocket with flap to button over the top. In this she can keep her dimes and nickels. They will not fall out if the apron is thrown down carelessly and a trip is often saved to another part of the house when change is wanted.

Modish Finish for Collar.
A row of black fringe an inch and a half in depth makes a very modish finish when run around the extreme top of a white lace or net collar. If another row of deeper fringe is attached to the bottom edge of the collar, resting on the throat, it is liked all the more.

WOMAN LEFT BOUND ON BED IN FLAMES

She Says That Burglars, on Failing to Intimidate Her, Started the Fire.

QUENCHES THE BLAZE

Victim of Outrage Had Been Ill and Was Lying in Bed While Husband Was Absent—Intruders Searched the Premises.

Chicago.—Bound hand and foot, gagged and left to meet her death on a blazing bed by robbers who had entered her home, Mrs. W. H. Starr of 5901 Prairie avenue saved her life by her presence of mind.

As the flames, which had been started by the burglars, mounted higher she rolled over upon the burning bedding. The pressure of her body quenched the flames, but not until her hands had been severely burned and her nightgown ignited. She was found, hysterical from fright and suffering, by her husband, Dr. W. H. Starr, upon his return from a call upon a patient half an hour after her harrowing experience.

Police of the Fifth street police station started a search for two men who were described to them by Mrs. Starr. One of the men resembled a man who had been employed by a manufacturer of window screens to measure the window in the Starr flat. He was short and stocky, while the other robber was 6 feet tall.

Mrs. Starr had been ill and was lying in bed while her husband was absent. At 7:30 o'clock the burglars entered the flat. First came the tall man, who got in through a window, seized Mrs. Starr, bound her and gagged her, and then admitted the shorter robber.

After the second man had entered the two removed the gag and de-



Set Fire to the Bed.

manded that Mrs. Starr tell them where she kept her money. They accomplished the demand with threats of torturing her, but in vain. She insisted that she did not have any money of her own and that she did not know where her husband's was kept.

The intruders then made a search on their own account, replacing the gag and leaving her helpless on the bed. They succeeded in finding a pocketbook which contained between \$5 and \$6 and jewelry valued at \$160.

Then the men returned to the room in which Mrs. Starr was lying and renewed their threats, but without success in intimidating her. They finally abandoned their effort and left, one of them setting fire to the bed upon which Mrs. Starr lay as he went out.

Mrs. Starr's successful struggle to quench the flames and the return of her husband followed.

Wants to Dress as Woman.

Atlanta, Ga.—From a prominent South Georgian, who lives in Ware county, Controller General William A. Wright has just received a letter expressing a desire to wear woman's attire, and asking permission to do so.

"I have very much the appearance of a woman, and when dressed as such and wearing long hair I look a perfect figure of a female and would not be noticed as being a man. I wish to adopt this attire because it is more suitable for me than male attire."

"It's the queerest letter I ever received," said General Wright. He withholds the name out of deference to the man's family.

Tiny Fish Tie Up Steel Mills.

Gary, Ind.—Thousands of tiny fish driven by the heavy sea on Lake Michigan choked the intake pipes supplying the steel mills with water the other day and forced the shut-down of three blast furnaces until the water pipes could be cleared. When the mains were opened they were packed like sardines in a box with a wriggling mass of fresh water herring. Men with shovels were required to remove the fish before the blast furnace could be started again.

BROADWAY'S LURE LEADS TO GRIEF

Atlanta Waiter's Desire to See the Great White Way Results in Trouble.

Mount Vernon, N. Y.—A sudden desire to see the great white way and to live for a short time like a millionaire, led George Kaul, who was arrested here late the other night by Police Lieutenant Silverstein, to be alleged, to loot the trunks, containing \$29,500 worth of jewelry, belonging to Sol Gilsey in Atlanta, on April 17. Such was the confession made by Kaul to Lieutenant Silverstein. Kaul, who was a waiter in the Piedmont hotel, Atlanta, Ga., where Gilsey lived when in that



Hide the Jewels in His Wife's Trunk.

city, had visions of affluence and chorus ladies when he learned what Mr. Gilsey had in his trunks.

After several hours of cross-examination by Silverstein, Kaul broke down and confessed that he, with George Wren and George Roddy, all employed in the Piedmont hotel, had plotted the robbery and had divided the jewels.

"I have worked hard at my life," Kaul, "and I welcomed the chance to come to New York and see Broadway and have some fun with the chorus girls. I wanted to live like a millionaire, if it was only for a week. I know Mr. Gilsey had a lot of money and the temptation was too much for me. That's all."

Kaul was traced to New York, where he was lost. Silverstein located him at the home of his cousin, Arthur Von Gastel, at 161 Eleventh avenue, Mount Vernon. He was remanded without bail.

WIRELESS ROUTS A LEOPARD

Operator on Steamer Saves His Life by Frantically Pounding on the Key.

New York.—Another use for wireless has been discovered by James Pickercell, operator on board the steamship Vasari the other day.

Among the cargo of the Vasari was a leopard. About 400 miles southeast of Sandy Hook, the Vasari ran into a terrific gale, and during it the leopard escaped from its cage.

Mr. Pickercell was at his key on the upper deck with the door ajar, when he glanced out and saw a pair of gleaming eyes. Without asking leave the leopard came into the room.

"I did not know what to do," said Pickercell. "I had no weapon of any

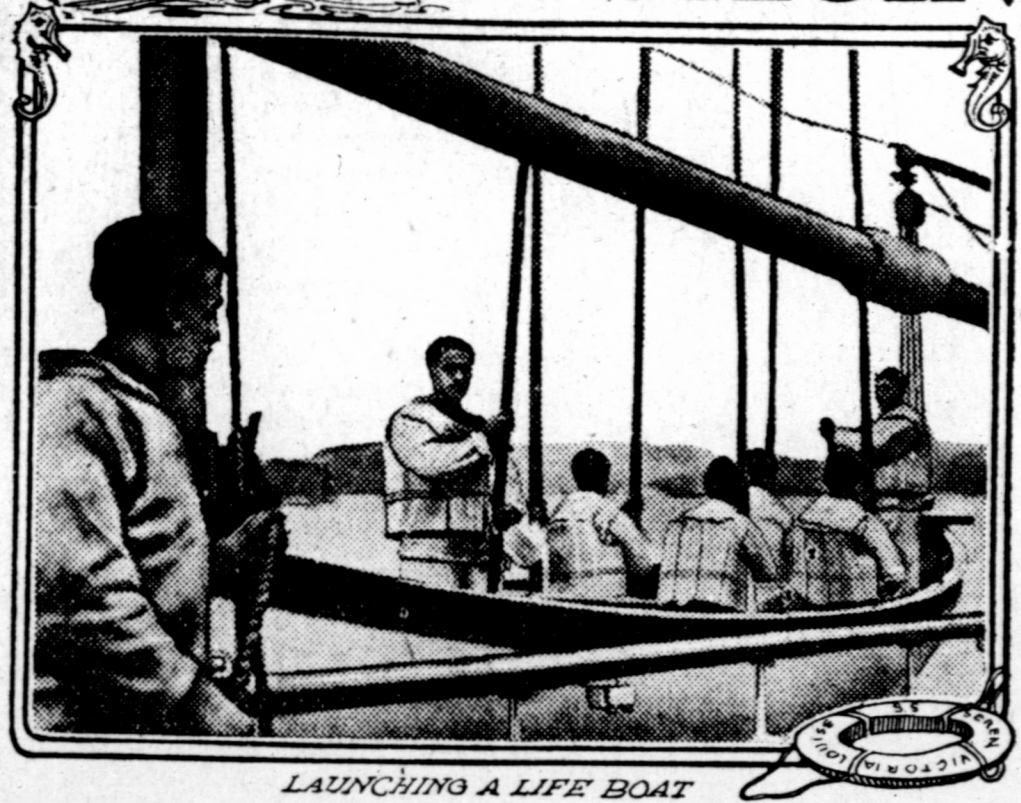


There Was a Flash.

kind. The beast stood there and looked me over, and I could see he was getting ready to have some fun with me. Accidentally my hand fell on the key and there was a flash. The beast stood spellbound as he saw the spark. Then I saw I was to be 'saved by wireless' and I pounded the key for all I was worth. Every time the spark flew the beast became more frightened until he finally became so scared he ran from the room."

Pickercell sounded the alarm, and after an hour's chase all over the vessel, the leopard was cornered and taken back to its cage, but not until some of the crew had been scratched.

OCEAN LANES and THEIR ORIGIN



LAUNCHING A LIFE BOAT

WHEN the survivors of the Titanic were picked up by the Carpathia, which had been summoned to their assistance by wireless less than six hours before, people who could see more than the appalling horror of the tragedy that had preceded the rescue, wondered and said:

"But how fortunate that there was a ship near to pick them up. Suppose there hadn't been?"

As a matter of fact, nobody but a landlubber would have made such a remark. Any man who knew the sea and its ways would have been decidedly surprised had the Titanic's survivors been compelled to wait longer than they did, situated as they were in the direct track of all vessels following what is known as the southern course across the Atlantic. Indeed, the testimony before the senate investigating committee disclosed that at least one steamer had been within nearer range of the distressed liner than the Carpathia, and, according to still other participants in the tragedy passed within five miles of the Titanic before she went down.

Now, if you really are a landlubber and if, conversely, you know nothing about the laws and customs of the seas, you will, like the people referred to above, remark what a wonderful thing it was that so many ships could respond to the Titanic's "C. Q. D." call, and dismiss the whole affair as a remarkable coincidence. On the contrary, there was no coincidence about it—not any more so than if an automobilist on the Merrick road should break down on a lonely stretch out beyond Sayville, let us suppose, and should receive help from a brother of the gasoline fraternity within the next fifteen or twenty minutes.

A Much Traveled Thoroughfare.

No, the Titanic's misfortune happened to her on one of the most frequently traveled thoroughfares of the many that serve the seven seas all over the globe. Outside of a few thickly frequented marine highways, like the British channel, or certain stretches of the Mediterranean, or our own Long Island sound, the Titanic could not have picked out a better place to sink in, with reasonable hope of rescue in a short time. Had it not been for a slip-up or misunderstanding which has yet to be explained, the nearest ship to the wrecked liner would have been all alongside in ample time to take off all her passengers and crew.

Nowadays, as, for that matter, from time out of mind, ships do not stray off certain well defined lanes unless driven to do so by unprecedentedly severe weather. But nowadays this holds true even more than formerly. In former times, the prevailing winds at different seasons, the set of various ocean currents, and similar natural phenomena, played considerable parts in the determination of the great trade routes, just as the location of wells and oases determines caravan routes across the African deserts. Ships naturally steered on courses on which they were most helped by the winds blowing at the different season of the year, as well as by currents like the Gulf Stream.

The lines used by the great transatlantic liners, however, are governed entirely by the ice-drift from the north. This ice-drift is a regular phenomenon, and clogs the seas as far south as the latitude of Cape Hatteras to a point about 40 degrees west longitude, not very far from the Azores. That is to say, about half the seas between the American and European continents are subject to the perils of the ice-berg. Years ago skippers discovered this, and when transatlantic travel began to assume the proportions of an industry, the custom gradually grew up of setting regular routes of travel across the Atlantic, depending upon the presence of ice.

North and South Lanes.

The northern, or short lane, is followed late in the year, after all the Greenland flocks and bergs have drifted down and disintegrated in the warmer southern waters; the southern or short course is that followed the greater portion of the year, when the presence of ice is a constant menace to navigation. There is not a great deal of latitudinal difference between the two, and there is no attempt to get wholly below the limit of the ice drift, for that would involve an impossible and really futile detour; but the southern course was always regarded

as absolutely safe, until the disaster to the Titanic.

To find the beginnings of sea lanes of travel, you must go far back to the beginning of things, to the days when men first ventured on the sea and pushed timorously from cape to cape, anchoring by night and rarely sailing out of sight of land. The Phoenician mariners, who sent their galleys through the Pillars of Hercules and up to Ireland for cargoes of tin, were among the first to map out recognized routes for sea commerce, and one cannot resist a deep respect for their daring in thus exploring a way that their ancestors must have looked upon with wholly superstitious dread.

In the ancient world, it is true, the ocean lanes were not many. Principal among them were the several courses from the Pillars of Hercules, either along the African coast, via Carthage, or the coasts of Gaul, Italy, and Greece, and so on, to the common base of all, the ports of Asia Minor, where the commerce of the ancient world met and was sifted and then redistributed on its way to thousand smaller marts. Countless less important routes branched out from these, carried them on or projected into limited areas of water, surrounded by large populations which had a commerce of their own. In every case the paths of the trading galleys were invariably the same. The middle of the Mediterranean was probably seldom furrowed outside of the few tracks pursued by vessels traveling from one side of it to the other, say from Carthage or Alexandria to Athens or Rome. Men crept along the coasts or rowed uncertainly from island to island, unless they could not help themselves.

And it is strangely true that nowadays, when the ocean lanes are so much greater in number, so incomparably far-flung in character, the same general conditions hold good on the grander scale that has been assumed. The waters of the world—or that portion of it which is to any extent inhabited—are criss-crossed in every direction by innumerable paths followed by vessels, both sail and steam; but it is still possible to find wide areas in which a sail or a steamship's smoke are not sighted for months on end. What vessel blown into the middle of the vast tract in the South Atlantic, roughly delimited by the routes followed by vessels from North American ports to Gibraltar, and by the course of ships from the South American ports bound for Europe, would have any logical hope of assistance?

Teacher Has Her Own Farm.

Miss Anna Nedobyty, teacher at the Franklin school, has demonstrated her ability as a practical farmer by raising asparagus on her five-acre country home near Davis Crossing on the White Bear road.

After 25 years of teaching in the St. Paul public schools Miss Nedobyty determined to try her hand at vegetable gardening. She first decided on the bee industry, but after investigating gave it up because of the amount of time it takes to care for the bees. She then spent a summer on a berry farm to learn how to raise berries. That was abandoned because of occasional failure of crops. After consulting with experts on farm products she decided on asparagus, because a crop is certain regardless of frost, late spring or dry summer. Then, too, it is easy to take care of, the cutting being left over with by June and nothing is left to do but keep down the weeds until about the middle of August. Miss Nedobyty will soon make the first cutting, and she declares she will have a good yield.

Two years ago a modern two-story six-room house was erected, and since that time Miss Nedobyty has lived there each year from April until December 1. When school is in session she comes in each morning and returns each evening, the farm being 30 minutes' ride from the downtown district.—St. Paul Pioneer Press.

New Enterprises In Finland.

A shoe factory is starting in Finland with modern machinery, with a daily output of 500 pairs. Workmen largely subscribed the \$20,000 capital. Among other new enterprises is a bobbin factory at Tavastehus; biscuit works at Abo, equipped for a daily production of 1,000 kilos. A steel pen factory just started at Helsingfors is the first enterprise of the kind in Finland.

THE PRODIGAL JUDGE

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SYNOPSIS.

The scene at the opening of the story is laid in the library of an old worn-out southern plantation, known as the Barony. The place is to be sold, and its history and that of the owners, the Quintards, is the subject of discussion by Jonathan Crenshaw, a business man, a stranger known as Bladen, and Bob Yancy, a farmer, when Hannibal Wayne Hazard, a mysterious child of the old southern family, makes his appearance. Yancy tells how he adopted the boy, Nathaniel Ferris buys the Barony, but the Quintards deny any knowledge of the boy. Yancy keeps Hannibal. Captain Murrell, a friend of the Quintards, appears and asks questions about the Barony. Trouble at Scratch Hill, when Hannibal is kidnapped by Dave Blount, Captain Murrell's agent, Yancy overtakes Blount, gives him a thrashing and secures the boy. Yancy appears before Squire Balaam, and is discharged with costs for the plaintiff. Betty Malroy, a friend of the Ferrises, has an encounter with Captain Murrell, who forces his attentions on her, and is rescued by Bruce Carrington. Betty sets out for her Tennessee home. Carrington takes the same stage. Yancy and Hannibal disappear, with Murrell on their trail. Hannibal arrives at the home of Judge Slocum Price. The Judge recognizes in the boy the grandson of an old time friend. Murrell arrives at Judge's home. Cavendish family on raft rescue Yancy, who is apparently dead. Price breaks jail. Betty and Carrington arrive at Belle Plain. Hannibal's rifle discloses some startling things to the Judge. Hannibal and Betty meet again. Murrell arrives in Belle Plain. Is playing for big stakes. Yancy awakes long dreamless sleep on board the raft. Judge Price makes startling discoveries in looking up land titles. Charley Norton, a young planter, who assists the judge, is mysteriously assaulted. Norton informs Carrington that Betty has promised to marry him. Norton is mysteriously shot.

(CHAPTER XVI—(Continued).)

"There you go, Price—" began Mahaffy. "Solomon, this is no time for me to hang back. I shall offer a reward of five thousand dollars for this information." The judge's tone was resolute. "Yes, sir, I shall make the figure commensurate with the poignant grief I feel. He was my friend and client."

The next morning it was discovered that some time during the night the judge had tacked his anonymous communication on the court house door; but below it was another sheet of paper covered with bold script:

"Whom It May Concern:

Judge Slocum Price assumes that the above was intended for him since he found it under his office door on the morning of the twenty-fifth inst.

"Judge Price begs leave to state it as his unqualified conviction that the writer is a coward and a cur, and offers a reward of five thousand dollars for any information that will lead to his identification."

Tom Ware was seated alone over his breakfast. He had left his bed as the pale morning light crept across the great fields that were alike his pride and his despair—what was the use of trying to sleep when sleep was an impossibility? He was about to quit the table when big Steve entered the room to say there was a white fellow at the door.

"Fetch him along in here," said Ware.

The white fellow delivered a penciled note from Murrell. When he was gone, the planter ordered his torso.

As Ware rode away from Belle Plain he cursed Murrell under his breath. His own inclination toward evil was never robust; he could have connived over a long period of years to despoil Betty of her property, but murder and abduction was quite another thing.

Three miles from Belle Plain he entered a bridge path that led toward the river. A growth of small timber was standing along the water's edge, but as he drew nearer, those betterments which the resident of that lonely spot had seen fit to make for his own convenience, came under his scrutiny; these consisted of a log cabin and several lesser sheds.

Landing, he advanced toward the cabin. As he did so he saw two women at work heaving flax under an open shed. They were the wife and daughter of George Hicks, his overseer's brother.

"Morning, Mrs. Hicks," he said, addressing himself to the mother, a hulking ruffian of a woman. "Anybody with the captain?"

"Colonel Ferris is."

"Humph!" muttered Ware. He moved to the door of the cabin and entered the room where Murrell and Ferris were seated facing each other across the breakfast table.

"Well, what the devil do you want of me, saybow?" demanded the planter.

"How's your sister, Tom?" inquired Murrell.

"I reckon she's the way you'd expect her to be." Ware dropped his voice to a whisper.

"John, you'll ruin yourself with your damned crazy infatuation!" it was Ferris who spoke.

"No, I won't, colonel, but I'm not going to discuss that. All I want is for Tom to go to Memphis and stay there for a couple of days. When he comes back Belle Plain and its niggers will be as good as his. I am going to take the girl away from there tonight. How soon can you get away



"And Then It's Change Your Name and Strike Out for Texas."

from here, Tom?" he asked abruptly. "By God, I can't go too soon!" cried the planter, staggering to his feet. He gave Ferris a hopeless beaten look. "You're my witness that first and last I've no part in this!"

The colonel shrugged his shoulders. Murrell reached out a hand and rested it on Ware's arm.

"Keep your wits, Tom, and within a week people will have forgotten all about Norton and your sister. I am going to give them something else to worry over."

Ware went from the cabin.

"Look here, how about the boy—are you ready for him if I can get my hands on him? I'll send him either up or down the river and place him in safe keeping where you can get him at any time you want."

"This must be done without violence, John!" stipulated Ferris.

"Certainly, I understand. Which shall it be—up or down river?"

"Could you take care of him for me below, at Natchez?" inquired Ferris.

"As well there as anywhere."

"Good!" said Ferris, and took his leave.

Three-quarters of an hour slipped by, then, piercing the silence, Murrell heard a shrill whistle; it was twice repeated; he saw Bess go down to the landing again. A half-hour elapsed and a man issued from the scattering growth of bushes that screened the shore. The newcomer crossed the clearing and entered the cabin. He was a young fellow of twenty-four or five, whose bronzed face wore a reckless expression.

"Well, captain, what's doing?" he asked.

"If anything's to be done, now is the time, Hues. What have you to report?"

"Well, I've seen the council of each Clan division. They are ripe to start this thing off."

Murrell gave him a moment of moody regard.

"Twice already I've named the day and hour, but now I'm going to put it through!" He set his teeth and thrust out his jaw.

"Captain, you're the greatest fellow in America! Inside of a week men who have never been within five hundred miles of you will be asking of each other who John Murrell is!"

Murrell had expected to part with Hues then and there and for all time, but Hues possessed qualities which might still be of use.

"Hues, you must start back across Tennessee. Make it Sunday at midnight—that's three days off." Unconsciously his voice sank to a whisper.

"Sunday at midnight," repeated Hues slowly.

"When you have passed the word into middle Tennessee, turn south and

make the best of your way to New Orleans. Don't stop for anything—push through as fast as you can. You'll find me there. I've a notion you and I will quit the country together."

"Quit the country? Why, captain, who's talking of quitting the country?"

"You speak as though you were fool enough to think the niggers would accomplish something!" said Murrell coolly. "There will be confusion at first, but there are enough white men in the southwest to handle a heap better organized insurrection than we'll be able to set going. Our fellows will have to use their heads as well as their hands or they are likely to help the nigger swallow his medicine. I look for nothing else than considerable of a shake-up along the Mississippi . . . what with lynchers and regulators a man will have to show a clean bill of health to be allowed to live, no matter what his color—just being white won't help him any!"

"No, you're right, it won't!" and again Hues gave way to easy laughter.

"When you've done your work you strike south as I tell you and join me. I'm going to keep New Orleans for myself—it's my ambition to destroy the city Old Hickory saved!"

"And then it's change your name and strike out for Texas with what you've picked up!"

"No, it isn't! I'll have my choice of men—a river full of ships. Look here, there's South America, or some of those islands in the gulf with a black-and-tan population and a few white mongrels holding on to civilization by their eye-teeth; what's to hinder our setting up shop for ourselves? Two or three hundred Americans could walk off with an island like Hayti, for instance—and it's black with niggers. What we'd done here would be just so much capital down there. We'd make it a stamping-ground for the Clan! In the next two years we could bring in a couple of thousand Americans and then we'd be ready to take over their government, whether they liked it or not, and run it at a profit. We'd put the niggers back in slavery where they belong, and set them at work raising sugar and tobacco for their own bosses. Man, it's the richest land in the world, I tell you—and the mountains are full of gold!"

Hues had kindled with a ready enthusiasm while Murrell was speaking.

"That sounds right, captain—we'd have a country and a flag of our own—and I look at those free niggers as just so much boot!"

"I shall take only picked men with me—I can't give ship room to any other—but I want you. You'll join me in New Orleans?" said Murrell.

"When do you start south?" asked Hues quickly.

"Inside of two days. I've got some private business to settle before I leave. I'll hang round here until that's attended to."

CHAPTER XVII.

The Judge Extends His Credit.

That afternoon Judge Price walked out to Belle Plain. Solomon Mahaffy had known that this was a civility Betty Malroy could by no means escape. He had been conscious of the judge's purpose from the moment it existed in the germ state, and he had striven to divert him, but his striving had been in vain, for though the judge valued Mr. Mahaffy because of certain sterling qualities which he professed to discern beneath the hard crust that made up the external man, he was not disposed to accept him as his mentor in nice matters of taste and gentlemanly feeling. He owed it to himself personally to tender his sympathy. Miss Malroy must have heard something of the honorable part he had played; surely she could not be in ignorance of the fact that the lawless element, dreading his further activities, had threatened him. She must know, too, about that reward of five thousand dollars. Certainly her grief could not blind her to the fact that he had met the situation with a largeness of public spirit that was an impressive lesson to the entire community.

These were all points over which he and Mahaffy had wrangled, and he felt that his friend, in seeking to keep him away from Belle Plain, was standing squarely in his light. He really could not understand Solomon or his objections. He pointed out that Norton had probably left a will—no one knew yet—probably his estate would go to his intended wife—what more likely? He understood Norton had cousins somewhere in middle Tennessee—there was the attractive possibility of extended litigation. Miss Malroy needed a strong, clear brain to guide her past those difficulties his agile fancy assembled in her path. He beamed on his friend with a wide sunny smile.

"You mean she needs a lawyer, Price?" inquired Mahaffy.

"That slap at me, Solomon, is unworthy of you. Just name some one, will you, who has shown an interest comparable to mine? I may say I have devoted my entire energy to her affairs, and with disinterestedness. I have made myself felt. Will you mention who else these cutthroats have tried to browbeat and frighten? They know that my theories and conclusions are a menace to them! I got 'em in a panic, sir—presently some fellow will lose his nerve and light out for the tall timber—and it will be just Judge Slocum Price who's done the trick—no one else!"

"Are you looking for some one to take a pot shot at you?" inquired Mahaffy, sourly.

"Your remark uncovers my fondest hope, Solomon—I'd give five years of my life just to be shot at—that would round out the episode of the letter nicely"; again the judge beamed on Mahaffy with that wide and sunny smile of his.

"Why don't you let the boy go alone, Price?" suggested Mahaffy. He lacked that sense of sublime confidence in the judge's tact and discretion of which the judge, himself, entertained never a doubt.

"I shall not obtrude myself, Solomon; I shall merely walk out to Belle Plain and leave a civil message. I know what's due Miss Malroy in her bereaved state—she has sustained no ordinary loss, and in no ordinary fashion. She has been the center of a striking and profoundly moving tragedy! I would give a good deal to know if my late client left a will—"

"You might ask her," said Mahaffy cynically. "Nothing like going to headquarters for the news!"

"Solomon, Solomon, give me credit for common sense—go further, and give me credit for common decency! Don't let us forget that ever since we came here she has manifested a charmingly hospitable spirit where we are concerned!"

"Wouldn't charity hit nearer the mark, Price?"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Laying Something by for Futures.

The general prosperity can only be a reflection of the prosperity of the individual, and no individual is really prosperous who is not laying aside something for the future. The man who makes \$10,000 per year and spends \$10,000 is poorer than the man who makes \$1,000 and spends but \$900. It may be hard to walk while your neighbor whisks by in an automobile, but it is the man who has the courage and character to live well within his means who accumulates enough capital to do things in the world.—Indianapolis Star.

The Decadence of the Cowboy.

Alas, the typical cowboy of the old West has gone to join the redman on the shores of yesterday. No more shall we see the sunburnt faces of Pete and John and Bob, who smiled from beneath big sombreros and stuffed their breeches in their boot-tops; no more shall we hear the bark of their shooting irons, feel their warm hand clasps or drink with them at the bar, where everybody else's money was counterfeit.

It is only a sweet memory now—those days when a cowpony was the object of almost universal admiration and a good cutting horse had more lovers than the best automobile that ever rolled a moneyed fool into the deep chasm of bankruptcy.

The favorite of the plains has been given his freedom, the trail is blotted out, the round-up takes place in a fashionable cafe and the discussions to-day are power, speed, clearance & tire troubles. We never see a lariat, never hear the bawl of a pitching broncho and never get one of those cowboy stews, with a delicious flavor and indelicate name.

Truly the cowboy is retrograding, the automobile has flattened out the romance of his profession, the low whistle by the side of the horn has given way to the dull honk, honk and the spark plug has taken the place of the rawhide hobbler. There is too much civilization, too many speed devils and alas, alack! too little reverence for old things and old ways.

We cannot think of the change without sighing for a return to the happy hollow of long ago, when an automobile was as unknown as a grafter, when every latch string had a way of hanging on the outside of the door, when the cowboy lived in his saddle and asked no greater boon at the close of day than a spring of cool water and a green glade on which to hobble his faithful steed.—Del Rio Herald.

ALL HAIL THE COCKROACH

Just Discovered That the Insect is Not a Pest, but Really a Public Benefactor.

At last a use for the cockroach. No more will the vengeful housewife pursue it with murderous intent and scatter poison o'er the house for its extermination. The cockroach has been proved a public benefactor. Moreover, it has beaten the wisest human brain and triumphed where the brain failed. Many a mind has been wrecked in striving to think out a method for getting the best of the gas meter. But from the heretofore unknown precincts of Washington Court House, O., comes the discovery of the age. A representative of the local gas company there became suspicious of the meager results from the records of a certain meter in a business establishment in that place. He examined the meter and found the meter literally full of cockroaches, which had so interfered with the working of the meter that the gas bill jumped up from about \$10 a month to something like \$25 after the roaches were removed.

There will be a steady demand for that particular breed of cockroach from now on, and societies for the propagation of them will be organized. Then the law will be invoked to establish a close season with a penalty for killing a single cockroach. The day of the gas meter cockroach has come. An attempt has already been made to secure by careful selection and breeding a cockroach which will find its way successfully into the electric meter.—Albany Argus.

Lost.

Between residences of Joseph Veltmann and H. J. Veltmann, P. M. a small gold bar pin set with two pearls and a turquoise. Finder please return pin to Miss Alece Veltmann and receive reward.

During the summer months mothers of young children should watch for any unnatural looseness of the bowels. When given prompt attention at this time serious trouble may be avoided. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy can always be depended upon. For sale by all dealers.

DULLNESS IN SIERRA LEONE

In the Small Villages There Are Neither Church, Newspapers or Postman to Vary the Monotony.

It is difficult to explain how complete, in normal times, is the dullness of the small villages in the Protectorate of Sierra Leone, says a writer in the Nineteenth Century and After. An hour before sunrise shadowy figures move noiselessly through the narrow alleys which separate the mud-walled houses, and, in single file, pass out of sight towards the farm lands. A little later children and a few women leave the houses to obtain water for cooking; they also go in single file, and in a short while will return in the same manner carrying water in calabashes, except, perchance, one or two may be affluent enough to possess a tin in which kerosene oil has been imported. During the great heat of the day people return and sit, silent and motionless, in the thatched-roof verandas. Towards evening there is more movement; food time generally brightens people even when it only means rice and peppers. Soon after sunset all sign of life ceases, there is no light in the houses, because oil is expensive, and a single fire is enough when there is nothing to see except those you have seen all day; there are no sounds, save a baby's cry at intervals, or perhaps the weird call of some night bird, because people cannot talk much when no one has anything fresh to say. Next day will be the same, and so will be every day in the year except at festival times, such as when the girls and boys return, dancing and gaily decked, from the Porroh Bush. There is no church, no postman, no passing horse or carriage, and no newspapers.

PUNISH MARRIED LOAFERS

Chicago Judge Plans Law Change That Will Hit Those Who Won't Support Their Families.

The law dealing with wife desertion provides for the punishment of men "who abandon and fail to support their families." The "and" is ambiguous. It has been found impossible to punish men who "hang around" their families and live on the hard-earned dollars of their wives and children. Chief Justice Olson will endeavor to put an "or" in place of the "and" in the law. The change is necessary and just, for married loafers and shirkers who do not abandon their families are often worse than the deserters. But if the law is amended merely to provide for the imprisonment of such loafers the poor families will gain little or nothing. If the former could be compelled to work for the state and their earnings were paid to the wives a real reform would be achieved. Such proposals have been made at meetings of criminologists, but the difficulties in the way are enormous. Let us hope that the threat of imprisonment may prove sufficiently deterrent.—Chicago Record-Herald.

MOTHER THE BEST TEACHER

Victor Emmanuel's Effective Reply to Women Who Appealed for the Religious Teaching Orders.

During the conflict in Italy between the church and state a deputation of ladies waited on King Victor Emmanuel and asked him to revoke the decree which banished some of the teaching orders from their city. They said it would be impossible to have their daughters properly educated.

The king listened and then said courteously: "I feel that you are mistaken in your views, as I know at this moment there are many ladies in your town who are as well qualified to educate your children as the teachers who are leaving."

The ladies looked at each other, and then their spokeswoman begged the king to point out the excellent teachers he had mentioned. "The teachers," said Victor Emmanuel, "are yourselves, for your daughters cannot have any persons better qualified to superintend their education than their own mothers."—Home Notes.

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