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SPOFFORD ITEMS.

(Too Late for Last Issue.)
Mrs. G. C. Cox spent two days in Uvalde this week.

Mr. Robert Stotzhe and family arrived a few days ago to reside here.

Mr. O. W. Zuehl has returned from San Antonio where he attended court.

Mr. T. J. Martin has returned from San Antonio where he was a witness in a case before the Federal Court.

Miss Aurora Long after a month's visit to her brother Justice F. O. Long here left Friday for her home in San Francisco California.

Mrs. Oscar Shane returned Wednesday from a visit to Sabinal and D'Hanis. She was accompanied home by her sister who will spend several days here.

Last Saturday was Commissioner John McCormick's steenth birthday and that evening all the young folks and most of the old folks gathered at his home to give him a surprise. They were met with a hearty welcome and told that had they forgotten to come and help celebrate they

would have missed a good time and the refreshments. Games of all kinds were played to amuse the young man and the evening most pleasantly spent.

Mr. Lenoard Leighton after having been here three years with the S. P. R. R. has been promoted to a much better place at Eagle Pass for which place he left Thursday. Mr. Leighton is a most exemplary young man and every one in Spofford wishes him success in his new station.

The town has been full of land buyers this week and several large sales have been made while negotiations are in progress for others. The Allison Richey people brought out a large crowd today to look at Monte Vista and Nicholson & Furnish are having their ranch near town surveyed with the intention of putting it on the market in small tracts. It is said that Fleming & Davidson have also offered some of their land for sale.

Messers Dawson of Abbott Texas are in the city on business. These gentlemen have just purchased several thousand acres on Las Moras west of here and intend putting it in cultivation. They are both successful farmers

and business men who believe West Texas is bound to come to the front and they want to be in on the ground floor. They will find a hearty welcome in Kinney Co as it is just such people that we need to develop the county.

The train service continues to be as bad as possible. Several nights ago a party of witnesses for court next day in San Antonio found the night train annulled and no hope of getting into court until noon the next day without riding on a freight train. Wednesday passengers arrived from Eagle Pass on the morning train found that no day train would be run to San Antonio and they were compelled to wait over until night losing a whole day. Trains are run on any old time and one does not know how to make appointments. Now the branch has again changed time and will run only once a day each way leaving Spofford at 2:50 p. m. and arriving here at 6:15 p. m.

Residence for Sale.

I will sell my residence in Brackett. Apply to me for terms.

MRS. E. ARNETT,
Uvalde Texas.

Fred West, who went to St. Louis with 150 head of steers which he sold Friday at prices ranging from \$4.15 to \$4.55, will be back this morning and will likely call around at headquarters to get a copy of the congratulating set of resolutions that are awaiting him there as a result of his performance. There is a suspicion that Fred is using more undue influence on the packers when he can induce them to pay \$4.55 for grass steers and his friends here in town are wondering what he wants with so much money. — San Antonio Express.

Capt. John T. Lytle Passes Away.

Capt. John T. Lytle is dead. The announcement of his passing away caused great sorrow and expression of genuine regret in Texas and the southwest where he was so generally known. A pioneer in the live stock industry he was the best known man in live stock circles in the entire west and southwest. No better braver or kindlier man ever lived. This is the judgement of all who knew him. John Lytle in his day helped more men to a start in life than any man we have knowledge of. All he wanted to know was the man honest it mattered not about security. Captain Lytle loved a dollar as do others, but he worshipped men not gold. He will not be remembered because of the money he did or did not accumulate, but because of the interest he took in humanity and the development of the great live stock industry in the southwest. No monument of bronze is necessary to perpetuate his memory. His good deeds will live longer than a pile of metal or stone. In the early days of cattle raising in Texas Captain Lytle was known as "Cattle King." At the time of his death he was associated in the cattle business with T. J. Moore, Jno. R. Blocker and W. H. Jennings, these gentlemen owning the ranch and cattle holdings of the Piedra Blanca Cattle Co. in the state of Coahuila, Mexico. At his death he was secretary of the Cattle Raisers' Association of Texas, the greatest live stock organization in the world. For two terms he was president of the Texas Live Stock Association, and for four years superintendent of the live stock department of the San Antonio fair. He gave freely of his money and

time for the advancement of the greatest industry in Texas and he lived long enough to see his efforts crowned with success.

John T. Lytle was born in Adams County, Pennsylvania, Oct. 8 1844. In 1860 he came to Texas with his parents and settled in San Antonio. His father Francis Lytle, taught one of the first schools in San Antonio and the son entered the law office of Sam Smith, then County Clerk of Bexar county. Captain Lytle worked in this office for over a year, but was compelled to give it up on account of his very poor health.

When the Civil War broke out he enlisted in the Confederate Army under his cousin, Capt. Sam Lytle, of Company H., thirty-second cavalry. He served in all the battles which were fought in Louisiana. After the war Captain Lytle came back to Texas and began ranch life near Castroville, on the Medina river. He soon became one of the prominent ranchmen of Texas, and after a few years bought another ranch on the Frio River.

In 1869 he married Miss Elizabeth Noonan, a sister of Judge George Noonan of San Antonio. Two children were born to them,

George N. Lytle, and Miss Helen M. Lytle.

When Capt. Lytle moved to San Antonio he became one of the charter members of the San Antonio Club and was a member until his death. He was also a member of the Elks. For the few years Captain Lytle maintained headquarters at Fort Worth.

The survivors of Captain John Lytle are two children, George N. and Miss M. Lytle, and his sisters, Misses Mary and Victoria Lytle of Fort Worth, Mrs. Oliver Brown of San Antonio and Mrs. Charles Montague of Banderia. Besides these he is survived by several cousins, one of whom is Captain Sam Lytle of San Antonio.—Texas Stockman and Farmer.

The Mulvane (Kan.) Record tells of a little boy who has said his prayers and kissed everybody good-night but the new hired girl. "Aren't you going to kiss me good-night?" said the domestic. "Nope" replied young Hopful. "I saw papa try to kiss you this morning and I don't want you to slap me the way you slapped him." And the Young Hopeful's mother is wondering whether she will not be able to do her own work after this time on and save the expense of keeping a girl.

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FROM THE POST.

Miss Celeste Sweeney was a post caller Monday.

We have been in touch with the ice man as a consequence of the recent norther.

The regimental parade was a success in every particular, not even a hitch or stitch from start to finish.

The work on the post telephone line is progressing nicely but it will require at least a month to complete the work.

The band has prospects of several first class musicians in the near future, which will give the first the best band in the service.

As the Jamestown Exposition will take on quite a military air the First Cavalry band stands a good show of making themselves conspicuous as they did at the St. Louis Fair.

Mr. Bunce and wife of Uvalde in company with Miss Katy Graham were post visitors last week and had the pleasure of witnessing a regimental cavalry parade.

Some soldiers from Ft. Clark gave a vaudeville performance at the Mesquite Club last night. We didn't go and are glad of it.—Rio Grande News.

What is the matter Joe? You don't know a good thing when you see it.

The company of the 9th United States Infantry which is stationed at Plattsburg Barricks New York will arrive at Sam Houston before the departure of the 26th to the Islands, probably early in June.—San Antonio Express.

We made the statement last week that it was commonly reported that the first and second squadrons would change places in the near future, but according to the latest authority report that change will not be made but the whole regiment will get a new station in the near future.

The dancing club gave a ball

at the Post Hall Saturday night.

Mrs. Wm. Sharp was a post visitor Monday.

Mrs. W. G. Miller of Del Rio was a post visitor this week.

Captain Murphy is the new summary court officer.

Mrs. Joe Veltmann attended squadron parade this week.

The hospital is being repainted and the walls a new coat of calcimine.

Several parties from the post attended the temperance lecture Wednesday night at the court house.

Mr. Salmon the hustling deputy sheriff of Kinney County was a business caller at the post the 18th.

Several of Brackett's young ladies were post visitors this week, for the purpose of seeing squadron parade.

Captain Craig has been appointed quartermaster to succeed Captain Lindsley who has been appointed to the Philadelphia department.

Signal sergeant (first class) Dennis F. Pierce, arrived in Clark this week from the Philippine Islands and will supervise the installing of the post telephone instruments. After the work has been completed Mr. Pierce will take charge of the telegraph department and singly the telephone exchange.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

Benito Baban was absent Monday.

Trinidad Martinez was absent last week.

Josephine Limes was absent last week.

Agnes Keith was absent Monday afternoon.

Bryan Hunt was absent Monday and Tuesday.

Else Sauer was also at the head of her class.

Anestacio Reifo was absent a few days last week.

Ethel Veltmann remained at the head of her class a week in reading.

Annie McGovern of Grade I remained at the head of her class last week.

Moss Slator was the winner in a spelling match in the seventh and eight grades last week.

The boys of the seventh and eight grades are great baseball enthusiasts, and play a very good game.

The following pupils of Grade II have been at the head of their class a week since the holidays. Annie Sharp, Remon Bronnez, Virginia Moscatelli and Charlie Veltmann.

The roll of honor consisted of Martin Boehmer, Charlotte Dudley, Ethel Veltmann, Bessie Sweeney, Amy Limes, Marion Lindsley, Florence Coleman, Hortense Sauer and Eusie Fritter.

The "Scab" Fireman.

Early Monday morning a "scab" fireman was seen sitting on a beer keg with a soda cracker in one hand and a piece of cheese in the other. His eyes were cast down at old mother earth and his mind seemed to be in a deep study. Finally the silence was broken when he attempted to quote the language of the 23rd Psalm by saying: "The railroad officials are my shepherds and yet I am in want. They maketh me lie down in an upper berth of a box car; they leadeth me beside the waters of the Rio Grande, they restoreth my name; they leadeth me in the path of the coyote and the long horned Texas steer for the company's sake. Ye though I walk through the back ally of a saloon, I will fear nothing; for the rest of the 'scabs' are with me and even their association is comfort. They prepareth a table before me in one end of a box car; they anointest my stomach with bacon and beans, and my cup runneth over with black coffee. Surely poverty and idleness shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in box cars forever."—Del Rio Herald.

Closing Out at Cost.

In order to make room for our Spring Millinery Display we will sell our hats at cost and some below cost. If you are looking for bargains call in and see us. Mrs. A. B. STÜDER AND SISTER. Fresh Oysters at Geo. Ray's.

SPOFFORD ITEMS.

Mr. Harry Short left Sunday for the west.

Mrs. Flynt of Uvalde is visiting her daughter Mrs. G. C. Cox.

Mrs. G. C. Cox and Master Joe were visitors to C. P. Diaz last week.

Mrs. Otto Zuehl and daughters Misses Gertrude and Kathleen spent Saturday in C. P. Diaz.

Miss Ora May Stephens was one of the party who visited C. P. Diaz last week.

Commissioner Rowls of Zavalla County spent several days here looking into land matters.

The vacancy caused by Mr. Leighton's promotion in the railroad hire here will be filled by Mr. Lee Elledge. Mr. Elledge and family formerly resided here and they will be most heartily welcomed upon their return.

Mr. Chas. F. Neill of the U. S. Immigration Service returned Tuesday from a weeks trip visiting the various towns between Spofford and San Antonio on business connected with his department.

Spofford has looked like a Japanese village this week owing to the large number of Japs arriving here on foot from Eagle Pass. Since Sunday nearly two hundred have passed through here and from reports there are over one thousand on the way.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

State and county taxes for the year 1906 are now due and payable at my office, and if not paid by January 31, 1907 10 per cent penalty will be added and collected.

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The Houston Post has just issued a new and attractive wall chart of six pages, each page being 28x36 inches. This chart contains entirely new maps of Texas, the United States, the Philippines, Panama and canal zone, the world, Alaska, Hawaii, Porto Rico and topographical map of the Russo-Japanese war district. In addition to the usual index and portraits of the presidents of the United States rulers of other nations and flags all nations. The Post at great expense has added an entirely new feature, it being shown on the first page of the chart with the map of Texas.

The map itself is entirely new, now being printed for the first time. In addition to the cities towns, counties, etc., every existing and new railroad is shown, and around the map is a portrait of the three presidents of the Republic of Texas, and in addition to these three is a portrait of each of Texas' governors including Governor Campbell. This feature alone makes the chart so valuable that it should be in every Texas home.

The index of this map is so simple a child may locate any given point with ease. This valuable chart may be gotten only through subscriptions to The Post, it being given free with a six months subscription to the Daily and Sunday Post for \$4.25, or with the Semi-Weekly Post one year for \$1.25.

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