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Stopped to Wonder at Loveliness of Women.

ithin the last week two well-known, itiful, rich society girls, both ig, both popular, with all doors to re them, have elected to go into an End hospital and scrub floors for per invalids. Perhaps they will stick to it; the important thing is they want to try it.

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Sneezing as an Omen.

ie only attention we pay to a ze at the present day is to enor to get rid of the chill which es it; but a sneeze in the days of Greece was a matter of great con-

tere was then a god of sneezing, great undertakings would even 2tc. be abandoned if a man sneezed at an inappropriate moment, the act being looked upon as the oracle of the god. A sneeze between midnight and noon was looked upon as a fortunate sign, but between noon and midnight it betokened great misfortune. To sneeze to your right was lucky; to the left unlucky. Two or four sneezes were lucky, one or three very unlucky and any undertaking in hand should if possible be abandoned; more

> than four sneezes did not count. There is a saying in many parts of England today: "Once a wish, twice a kiss, three times a letter, four times something better." If people sneezed together it was a good sign, particularly if they happened to be discussing business.

Amusing Artistic Conceptions. Many a child, as well as some older persons, has puzzled over that "beam" in the eye of which the New Testastood that this means a beam of light. with nature's arrangement.

Trouble Ahead.

"Do you know that the average man drinks enough beer in the course of his life to float a battleship" "No. Does he?"

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SAW HIS DUTY POINTED OUT HOME POOR PLACE TO WORK

Best, Whenever Possible, That Man Should Be Away from the House In Daytime.

The man of the house should not be vania recently I saw an advertisement the man in the house all day long, if that cught to bring relief to a few dis- it can be helped. If he be an artist tressed souls," said the traveling with a studio at home, a minister with salesman. "It headed the personal col- a study at the top of the house, a physician with office hours, or any other "Be it hereby known to all my cor- man who is accustomed to carry on respondents that I have this day de- his work at home, the household ac-JOHN WARE. sense ignores his presence. It is true "That notice was so extraordinary that he is constantly subject to intert I stopped over for a late train and ruptions when he works at home, his led on John Ware. He was a genial wife softly opening the door to say, man and willing to talk. He said "The milkman has called for his bill, was a person to whom people vol- and cannot make change," or "Somearily confided secrets; that many body has asked for you at the door. sons in bursts of confidence had Will you not go down and see him?" tten letters to him which they no or, "Do pardon me for breaking in upbt afterward regretted having on your work, but Aunt Jennie has just telephoned that she is coming to Sometimes they said, 'Destroy luncheon. Won't you step over to the ; sometimes they didn't, Anyhow, butcher's and get a porterhouse

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That talk with John Ware set me | Also, he gains something in the esking. The first thing I did when I timation of the family by going away back to New York was to burn a in the morning and returning at night, while for himself there is the manifest advantage of a charming and restful change of scene when he steps AUTY NO LONGER A MARVEL within his front door to be stormed upon with kisses by the children and e Has Gone By When World welcomed by his true comrade and partner on the road.-Woman's Home Companion.

PECULIAR PRAYER TO COURT

h society has the key flung open Error of Stenographer Responsible for a Few More Gray Hairs in Head of Lawyer.

"They say that a lawyer has been saved by his stenographer," said an he fact is that we are no longer attorney, at a recent lecture. "That ciently satisfied with beauty to is true, undoubtedly, because a lawk a woman has justified herself by yer's stenographer, who is observing, g good to look at. Thirty or forty gets many points of law out of her

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"One of the most amusing errors that I have ever heard of in connection with stenographic errors, if I may call it that, occurred in a certain law office the other day. The case was a divorce action, in which the plaintiff alleged cruel and inhuman treatment.

"Plaintiff, being a woman with all any of them. Indeed, beautiful the common law disabilities, prayed the court for 'temporary alimony and suit money.' The prayer was dictated to the stenographer and she wrote it out and mailed it to the court.

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When Child Is Restless.

The principal cause of restlessness. and sleeplessness in children is indigestion, usually brought on by unsuitable food, overfeeding or irregular meal hours.

less and loses sleep, look to the food and the time at which it is given.

Another cause of sleeplessness which is frequently overlooked is too much light in the room. It is natural to sleep in the dark, and it is particularly desirable that children thing?' I asked him. should do so, for they are very sensitive to all impressions.

The tender eyes and brain need the complete rest and relaxation that darkness permits. In spring and summer, when the sun rises at five o'clock or earlier, children will waken unless the room is kept darkened.

A green blind is best for this purpose, and it is advisable to use it in the child's bedroom if nowhere else.

Busy Chinese Hens. It would appear that the hens of China find life more real and earnest ment speaks. It is not always under- than enjoyable, for, it is said, when not hatching out broods of their own But it was left to Solomon Bernard, kind, the additional and novel task in his woodcuts illustrating the Bible, of hatching fish eggs is thrust upon published at Lyons, in 1553, to pic- them. Chinese owners of hens colture this beam as one of wood, rectan- lect fish spawn, introduce 4 into gular in section, and several feet in empty eggshelis, hermetically seal length. Then there is the case of an them and place them under the de-English painter who depicted an elab- ceived and conscientious hen. In due orate rainbow. Unfortunately, he time the shells are removed and the painted it wrong side out. But we for spawn, now warmed into life, is get amazement at such stupidity in emptied into a shallow pool. Here the admiration for the artist's magnificent fish which appear are nursed and audacity when we learn that he guarded until strong enough to be charged twenty pounds for repainting turned into a lake or stream, and subthe rainbow colored in accordance sequently add to the edible resources of the people.

"Big Seller" of 1758. In more hardy days than these snuff was used as an eye liniment. "The Compleat Housewife, or Accomplished Gendewoman's Companion." which had run into 16 editions by 1758, extols its virtues. Accomplished gentlewomen who find their sight failing with ad-"Ah, it is good to hear you say that. vancing years are advised to rub "the hope you will, now that you realize right sort of Portugal snuff into the how great this waste is, give up the eyes night and morning, and take it also through the nose." This treat-"No, I ain't got any idea of doin' ment, it is asserted, "cured Sir Edthat, but I don't see how we're goin' ward Seymour, Sir John Houblon and to be able to keep on drinkin' enough Judge Ayres, so that they could read to float battleships if they make their without spectacles after they had blamed old Dreadnoughts much big used them for many years." Some people would prefer spectacles.

REALLY NOT SMITH'S FAULT HELPED OUT GREAT NOVELIST

Mrs. Commuter Had Blamed Him Un- Schoolgirl Friend of His Daughter Supduly, and Now She Wants the Law Changed.

Even in town the commuter's wife had been subject to violent likes and (which, so far as one remembers, is dislikes, but in the suburbs her preju- new) has turned up at the dinner of dice seemed intensified. Their neight the Colquboun club. The guests inbor on the left was the object of her cluded Philip Newman, who recountsincerest aversion. "I think he is the ed that his wife when a girl happened most selfish man I ever met," she to go to the same school as the novsaid. "Such a contrast to Mr. Brown, elist's daughters and afterwards kept, on our right, who is the soul of neigh- up an intimacy with the family. borly kindness."

mate of their character?" her hus- mentioned that her father had started:

Mr. Brown's fence. He has kept all ture Mrs. Newman, with her flance the ugly posts and crossboards on his in her thoughts, suggested that his own side and has presented the name, "Philip," might serve the pursmooth finished surface to us. But pose. you don't catch Mr. Smith doing that himself, while we get all the rough presence known by laying a hand on patchwork."

"But that is not Smith's fence," her husband argued. "It is ours." "Ours?" she echoed. "How does

that happen?"

which provides that every man who wants his property fenced in must is the law."

said. "If we continue to live in the country isn't there some way it can be changed?"

GETTING AHEAD OF SCANDAL

cured by Recommendation Made to Pastor.

Parson Henderson, an evangelist of color, was caught one bright morning holding the hands of one of the ewe lambs of his congregation, who was a a balloon, don't buy a blue one. Red very popular young lady, and it creat- ones are the best. There is a scientific ed quite a stir among the colored pop- reason why. According to the reulation, relates a writer in Norman Et. | searches of M. Reynaud, caoutchouc is Mack's National Monthly. So the pa - strongly attracted by the ultra-violet son was brought up for trial and was rays from the mercury vapor lamp questioned by the officers of the with a quartz tube, which is a powerchurch as to what he meant by his ful source of such rays. This fact action, and this is what he had to say has a practical bearing in connection in answer to the question propounded with balloon envelopes which are seen these great pictures, I suppose, so you know dat the great Shepherd his flock in his arms."

"Yes, sah, parson, dat am so," admitted Deacon Jones.

"Den, Brudder Jones, what am wrong in the shepherd of his flock holding a lamb in his arms?"

This was too much for Brudder Jones, so he proposed the officers of the church have a call meeting that afternoon. After the point was discussed fully the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, Dat for the future peace and dignity of the congregation dat the next time Parson Henderson feels "Shortly afterward, the lawyer called upon to take a lamb of his flock chanced to read a copy and found to in his arms, dat he pick out a ram

Truly a "Nervy" Youth.

A New York barber says he has discovered the nerviest man alive. He is young yet, but when he is fully developed with a mature growth of nerve he will be a startling prodigy.

"This fellow came into my shop the other day," said the barber, "and If a child cries a great deal, is rest- asked me to shave his neck. I speedlly accomplished the gentle task, and called out, 'Next.' While I was adjusting a towel around the neck of the next customer I saw the other pearance that they belonged to the youth going out the door.

"'Haven't you forgotten some

"He felt in his pockets and said he had all that belonged to him.

"'I mean you forgot to pay me for that shave.

"'Pay for that! Just shaving my neck!' he said, with astonishment. 'I never heard of paying for so little a thing as that. I could have done it myself with my safety razor, only I couldn't reach back there."

No Occasion for Surprise. This story is told of Forrest, the great tragedian:

Forrest was playing in "Richard III.," and the part of Catesby had to be taken by a low comedian, who sauntered on the stage at the wrong moment and uttered the famous words, "My lord, the duke of Buckingham is taken." in the wrong place.

Forrest clenched his fists in rage. but otherwise took no notice of the

Later on the comedian repeated the words in the right place, and when the king expressed surprise at the news Catesby folded his arms, walked boldly down the stage, and remarked to the great actor in loud "I told you so before, Mr. Forrest,

but you wouldn't believe me."

How China Lives.

No natural resource is too trifling to be turned to account by the teeming population. The sea is raked and strained for edible plunder. Seaweed and kelp have a place in the larder. Great quantities of shell fish, no bigger than one's finger nail, are opened and made to yield a food that finds its way far inland. The fungus that world." springs up in the grass after a rain is eaten. Fried sweet potato vines furnish the poor man's table. The roadside ditches are bailed out for the sake of fishes no longer than one's

plied Names for Thackeray's Great Story.

A delightful Thackeray anecdote

One day, when she was out for a "On what do you base your esti- walk with Miss Thackeray, the latter a new story but was at a loss to de-"Fences," said she. "Just look at cide upon the hero's name. The fu-

At that moment who should come No, indeed. He looks out for num- up unobserved behind the two girls ber one and keeps the nice side for but Thackeray himself. Making his a shoulder of each of the young people, he asked why they were so deep in conversation. Thereupon Miss Thackeray, turning around, revealed the subject under discussion and told "It happens through a legal statute him her friend's suggestion as to the hero's name.

"Admirable," was Thackeray's verbuild part of the fence and keep the dict. "And now, my dear," he went ragged edges on his own side. That on, "what is your own name?" "Charlotte." "Well, that's a very nice name "How perfectly ridiculous," she too," was the response, and Thackeray wore a look of satisfaction.

The result was the tale called "The Adventures of Philip," in which the principal woman character figures as 'Charlotte."-Pall Mall Gazette.

Peace and Dignity of Congregation So DANGEROUS COLOR IS BLUE Men Who Voyage Above the Earth Prefer Red for the Covering of

Their Balloons.

In case you ever feel tempted to buy

treated with caoutchough Aeronauts are familiar with the discovery that the envelopes suffer during ascensions, and this is explained by the greater effect of ultra-violet rays at high altitudes. Experiment had already led to using yellow coloring matter on the envelopes, and red balloons are sometimes seen, but never blue or violet. M. Reynaud considers that red is the best color to use, as it not only absorbs the ultraviolet rays, but also the blue rays, and these last are likely to share in the bad action of the sun's rays upon bal-

Valuable Find of Manuscript.

A very interesting and remarkable discovery of illuminated manuscripts and early printed books, ranging as 'ar back as 1480, has just been made in the library at Oxton Hall, says the Nottingham (Eng.) Guardian.

It came about in this way: The vicar of the parish, Rev. W. Laycock, obtained permission to go through the books in the library at his leisure. While so doing his curiosity was aroused by a locked and forgotten cupboard therein, which he proceeded to investigate. Its contents proved to be between forty and fifty volumes, which confirmed the impression conveyed by the antiquity of their apvery earliest stage of the art of printing, which was introduced into this country in 1847.

The majority of them are folio volimes, and with one exception they are all in their original bindings. The covers are carefully planed boards of solid oak, and the books are bound with stout leather laces, the backing and lining being fragments of illuminated manuscripts of a much earlier date, cut up as waste with a ruthless indifference.

Parchment From Human Skin. It was a tradition of the horrorstricken Scriptures of "Old Gaul" that the Abbe Rivas, attracted by the extreme tenuity and smoothness of the leaves of a Bible of the thirteenth century, became convinced that the satiny skin of a beautiful woman had furnished the parchment maker with raw material for his unrivaled product. In another instance, one Gayer de Sansale, a famous bibliothecaire of the College of the Sorbonne, at Paris, declared that some one had dressed and finished human skin to make the parchment used for certain Decretals. -National Magazine.

The Pessimist,

"Let us suppose that a man was on the lucky side of 35, that he had a beautiful wife, who loved him; that they had a healthy, perfect child; that he had a good job, and that they possessed a comfortable home. What more could any man want than that?" "Oh, if he had all those blessings

I'll bet the cook would be threatening to quit or there would be something the matter with the furnace. There's no use expecting that anybody will ever find conditions perfect in this

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FULL TEXT OF SPEECH OF JUDGE WM. F. RAMSEY, DELIVERED AT GONZALES ON SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1912

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am here today, in response to your invitation, to inaugurate a campaign which has for its purpose to restore and return to Texas a government by and in the interest of her own people. It is meet and proper that this effort should be begun in a great and historic county in this State, and in a city, the Lexington of Texas, where one of the exilest contests for freedom was waged in a wa government of Mexico. Such an effort should receive the benediction and blessing of the descendants of those brave men, whose virtues and valor yonder monument chronicles, and which it will carry, let us hope, to your remotest posterity

motest posterity

But more than all it is fitting that in this great county, where in the morning of his life my father went forth to fight the battles of his country in 1861, I stould begin a contest that involves as much to my fellow countrymen as did those immortal struggles. In the presence of these morning to those heroic men as did those immortal struggles. In the presence of these monuments to those heroic men, and pledging my word by their blessed and sainted memories, I declare to you that in seeking to serve you and all the people of this state, I am not actuated by any mere sense of pride or personal ambition, but solely this state, I am not actuated by any mere sense of pride or personal ambition, but solely and only by an unselfish and patriotic purpose to do something for Texas. As a native Texan, proud of his birth, and committed by every care and consideration which could appeal to an honorable and patriotic man, I declare to you that if I had been mindful of my own pursonal interest and unconcerned as to the public good, I should have forborne to enter this contest and should have preferred to continue in the great judicial position on our Supreme Court, which had been the one ambition of my life, and which I have elected to surrender, to serve the people of this State, to whose interests and welfare I am, as all good men should be, devoted.

Forward Step for Texas.

And I crave your indulgence to say further that I could never justify my candidacy in my own eyes if I did not believe that my election meant a forward step in Texas, and that under my administration of my country's affairs we should see an era of progress and development, moral, industrial and educational. To the end, therefore, that you may intelligently determine whether I merit your preference and am entitled to your support, it is my purpose now and here to state with all possible clearness, the policies and principles on which my candidacy rests. I shall not be able to discuss all these matters in detail on this occasion, but as to many of them shall a rait another day for more elaborate treatmen.

If I am elected Governor of this State, I shall endeavor to secure the enactment into law, statutes to the following effect:

1. Altering, modifying and reforming our existing Code of both Civil and Criminal Procedure, so as to simplify same, save expense, prevent delay, better insure justice, prevent reversals and rid our whole system of foolish and unwise technicalities.

2. For a just, wise and efficicient corrupt

reversals and rid our whole system of foolish and unwise technicalities.

2. For a just, wise and efficient corrupt practice act, under which, among other things, provision will be made for reasonable limitation of the sum of money which may be expended to secure nominations for public office, or any election as to either public office or any issue submitted to the people, and for full publicity of both contributions and expenditures, both before and after elections.

Publicity for Campaign Contributions.

3. I shall undertake to secure the passage of an act, and there is ample constitutional warrant for such a law, prohibiting campaign contributions by brewers, distillers, saloon-keepers and other sinister and selfish interests

made and kept absolutely fair and pure, and insuring to every citizen of Texas, qualified under the law so to do, the right to cast one vote and no more, and to have that vote, freely nonorablly cast, honestly and fairly

5. I shall, if elected, undertake and use all the authority and power, properly exercised, which the great office of governor will give me, to secure the passage of a law requiring a majority vote to obtain a nomination for any and every State office, so that it may and will be impossible in this State that any demagogue

or servant of special interests shall be nominated by a bare plurality.

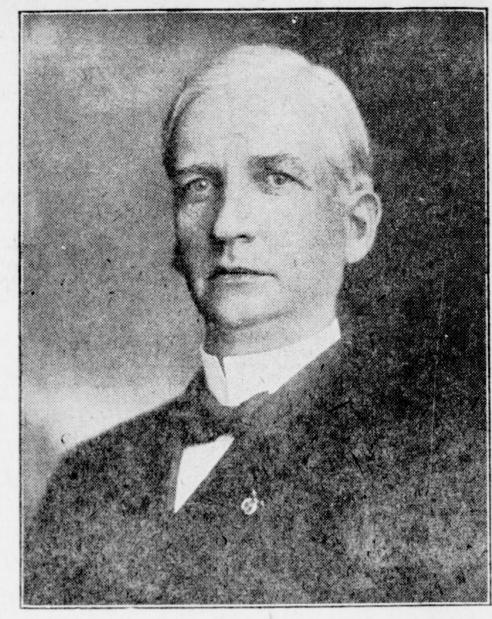
Permanent Educational Fund.
6. I shall, if elected, recommend and endeavor to secure the passage of a law levying an adequate, but not extravagant tax, for the support of our State educational institutions, including therein the University, the Agricultural and Mechanical College, our State Normals and the College of Industrial Arts, and such wise and progressive legislation as will con-serve their best interests, extend and increase serve their best interests, extend and increase their usefulness and bring then closer to and make them of greater service and benefit to the people. And among the means to accomplish these ends I favor and shall advocate the adoption of the proposed Constitutional Amendment providing that the regents of the University and boards of trustees and managers of our and boards of trustees and managers of our trustees and t educational, eleemosynary and penal institu-tions, shall be elected, or appointed, for a term of six years, one-third of the members of such bodies to be chosen every two years

of such bodies to be chosen every two years in the manner that may be provided by law.

7. I favor and intend, if my candidacy is approved at the polls, to aid in securing the extension of the scholastic age from seventeen to twenty years, and if necessary to provide additional funds to make such extension provides without reduction of salaries of company. vide additional funds to make such extension possible without reduction of salaries of competent teachers, and without impairment or curtailment of the usual school term. I also favor authorizing independent school districts, where special taxes have been levied, to empower their boards of trustees, in their discretion, to furnish pupils, in the lower grades,

Restricted Saloon Districts. 8. If elected I will advise and make an nonest and determined effort to secure the passage of laws absolutely removing all saloons from the residence sections of our cities and towns, substantially limiting their number and at least doubling the occupation tax now imposed; of the passage of a daylight closing bill as applied to the retail liquor business; prohibiting the sale of liquors except in unbroken packages, and preventing the drinking of same on or about the premises where sold. I also favor a law prohibiting brewers and distillers from engaging in the retail liquor business or becoming bondsman for those business or becoming bondsmen for those so

I favor the enactment of a strict and efficient statute prohibiting under severe penal-ties the shipment of intoxicating liquor from any point in this state to any other point in this state, for purpose of sale, where such sale of intoxicating liquors has been prohibited by a law, instituted therein by a vote of the people. And also in the enactment of a similar law by congress as to all interstate shipments



WILLIAM FRANKLIN RAMSEY

in aid of the great interests and subjects of irrigation, mining and drainage, and conservation of our natural resources. My attention was distinctly and forcibly called to this fact in respect to the matter of irrigation by my study of our statutes in respect to irrigation in the investigation of a case recently decided in the supreme court. Similar studies, not so extended, however, have impressed me with the importance and necessity of amending our mining laws, so that these great resources, forming an immense source of the wealth of I bope to receive and on which I trust I will and unwise technicalities.

2. For a just, wise and efficient corrupt practice act, under which, among other things, in respect to the matter of irrigation by my practice act, under which, among other things, in respect to the matter of irrigation by my study of our statutes in respect to irrigation of the sum of money which may be expended to secure nominations for public office, or any election as to either public office or any issue submitted to the people, and for full publicity of both contributions and expenditures, both before and after elections.

3. I shall undertake to be the governor of all the people of Texas, and, in my official capacity, shall know no class. I am committed to the doctrine that public office, in the supreme court. Similar studies, not so extended, however, have impressed me with the morning laws, so that these great resources, forming an immense source of the wealth of this commonwealth, may be developed and made to yield their rich treasure. The state, nor the world, does not know the richness in or the world, does not know the richness in or the world, does not know the richness in the State and out of it.

4. I favor the enactment of a law improving simplifying and strengthening our election in the investigation of the sum of the proper development and super and lower land owners. Encouragement of the proper development of our mining subdivision of same, our elections shall be made and kept absolutely fair and pure, and legislation with the same safeguards. If the sum of the proper development of our mining always to sum of the sum of t legislation with the same safeguards. If elected, I will, in a spirit of helpfulness, lend my active and constant aid to further these enterprises.

Liability Compensation.

11. I favor, and, if elected will undertake to secure, the enactment of a law, both adequate and effective, generally known as the "Employer's Liability Compensation Act," applicable to be added to the compensation of the second of the compensation of the compensati dicable to hazardous occupations, which will in effect guarantee the workingman, or in case of death to his family, fair and a equate com-pensation for injuries received while in the service of his employer, except for injuries received through his own wilful and criminal

I favor, and, if elected will undertake to secure, the enactment of an effective law to create a Board of Conciliation and Arb'tration to assist in the adjustment and settlement of

all labor disputes.

If elected, I shall undertake to strengthen, extend and render more effective laws in respect to child labor, and to extend the aid and care of the State, under proper limitations. defective children.

12. I shall insist on, if elected, and undertake to secure, the passage of laws for the encouragment, betterment and improvement of conditions in agriculture, and those engaged in it, as well as stockraising, by means of larger and more improved agricultural experimental and demonstration stations, in charge of practical farmers, and the extension of our quarantine and other similar State service to the stockraising interests, and shall.

by all proper means, undertake to promote and foster these vital interests.

I shall insist on giving elementary instruction in the public schools in the matter of agriculture, sanitation and hygiene, and I shall applied to the schools in the matter of agriculture, sanitation and hygiene, and I shall applied to the schools in the matter of agriculture, sanitation and hygiene, and I shall applied to the schools in the schools in the matter of agriculture, sanitation and hygiene, and I shall applied to the schools in the school in the schools in the schools in the schools agriculture, sanitation and hygiene, and I shall also recommend and urge the adoption of a law rendering more easy the equipment and construction of both bonded warehouses for the storage of cotton awaiting marketing and authorizing State banks under State control under proper guaranties, to erect and conduct in connection with their banking business warehouses for the storage of cotton and other products, and permitting other banks, national and private, to avail themselves of these provisions of the law; and in view of a recent decision of our Supreme Court, giving their certificates the quality of negotiability, and authorizing the issuance of such receipts in fractional portions, and shall in addition recommend the creation of a permanent commission, to serve without compensation, except sion, to serve without compensation, except their actual expenses, composed of practical farmers of large experience, to recommend from time to time such measures of relief as great farming interests may demand.

I also favor a greater protection to the stock and sheep raising interests of Texas than has been heretofore accorded them, and to this end will urge a more substantial allowance in the way of appropriations to carry on the work of inspection, conducted by expert students of this industry and selected without reference to politics or political activity, and to rid the country of the enemies of this industry.

Party Loyalty.

measure whenever presented. My sup, rt of it is as a measure which will decrease intemperance and banish the evils of the saloon. My supp rt of These evils, and the domination of our State by the corrupt and corrupting liquor interests, I shall always oppose. I furthermore believe that in view of the slender majority aaginst such measure at the last election, such election has left the question of Constitutional Prohibition practically undecided, since it is claimed and believed by thousands of our people that such election was attended by such frauds in respect to the payment of poll taxes and the shameless use of a vast campaign fund and other improper practices which brought about the apparent or real defeat of the amendment, and I, therefore, believe that it will be wise and proper to have the question of State-wide Prohibition again submitted under proper regulations, the amendment of our election laws insuring a just and fair count, to a nonparty and non-partisan election, to the end that a fair and honest expression of the people may be had in a decided and final form.

may be had in a decided and final form.

I do not, however, believe that one's views on prohibition, any more than on local option should be a test of one's standing as a Democrat. I believe there is enough wisdom and patriotism in the Democratic party to provide for the just settlement of that question by the people of this State. I believe that the business of selling intoxicating liquors is an evil and that their sale as a beverage should be prohibited, and that the right and power to do so should, by proper means, be made available, and that such exercise of constitutional authority is both wise and just.

Initiative, Referendum and Rocall.

Initiative, Referendum and Recall.

I do not attach the importance which many cople do to the Initiative, Referendum and ecall. I think and believe that the settlement of these questions might well await for proper treatment and legislation until after the proper treatment and legislation until after the liquor interests of this State and other special interests are driven from the control of our politics. I recognize and understand that many of our people believe that the general application of these principles of government is essential to the preservation of our liberties. While not agreeing with them in many of their opinions. While not agreeing with them in many of their opinions, I recognize their patriotism, and that their views spring from a patriotic desire to better the State. I have no sort of patience with the truculent and intolerant spirit evidenced by Governor Colquitt in his speech at San Saba, in which he denounced these doctrines as "born of political cowarace and political hyprocricy."

Referendum in Practice. We have, too, in practice in this State a rule of referendum often applied and generally accepted as wise. We refer the matter of the election of United States Senators to a referendum, or vote of the people, and such practice I thoroughly approve. All constitutional amendments must be submitted to a vote of the entire people before they become effective; and similar provisions are made in respect to the adoption of local option, the issuance of bonds and other matters. Nor am I prepared to say that there should be no other or further use of this principle; but, if used, it should only law, instituted therein by a vote of the people. And also in the enactment of a similar law by congress as to all interstate shipments to you now, as stated in my public announcement of october 14th, of last year, that I am as I have always been, a Democrat, proud of the traditions and committed to the principles as well as to our State University.

Nor do I see any danger or harm in submitting the decision of this question, if desired to the people themselves for settlement.

I am opposed to the recall as applied to the judges of our courts, and would also oppose its application to state officers. Our terms of office, for the most part, are short, and the expense, as well as our widely separated areas of population, would render its operation ineffective and unsatisfactory, and certainly the occasion of much strife and bitterness. The short terms of our State offices would ordinarily make it possible, in a brief time, to accomplish the purpose desired.

As to municipal governments, where, by graft or greed, great interests are imperilled, and control over franchises and law enforcement give unusual power to a few people, and such power was sought to be controlled or terminated by the right of recall, and the people of such municipality desired and demanded such priviledge, I would not feel myself justified in denying it to them.

Good Roads.

I favor the good roads movement, in which so much interest is being taken all over the State, and believe that it should be encouraged and promoted, reserving always to the local communities the right to determine by their own vote when and to what extent they should be taxed.

It will be, of course, impossible in the limitations of any ordinary speech to undertake to

It will be, of course, impossible in the limita-tions of any ordinary speech to undertake to discuss in detail all the matters to which I have referred. I beg your indulgence, however, while I discuss briefly some of the more
important matters which will engage your
attention and which, I assume, will largely
control your decision in determining who shall
serve you as your Governor.

control your decision in determining who shall serve you as your Governor.

Public Education.

One of the most important questions which will ever engage the attention of the patriotic citizen is the matter of public education. The development of the rural schools is indispensably necessary to the promotion of the welfare, material and spiritual, of the State. Ours is an agricultural State and seventy-five per cent or more of our scholastic population is to be found in rural districts. It is perfectly obvious, therefore, that any system of education which may obtain in this State is scarcely worthy of the name, unless first-class educational privileges be enjoyed by the youth who lives in the country. There is no doubt that so far as ability and disposition are concerned, boys and girls who live in the rural districts do not suffer by comparison with children in urban communities. Unfortunately up to this time, for the most part, in this State, high school advantages are not found outside of cities, towns and villages. Perhaps the greatest task which now lies before the people of Texas is to establish upon a firm foundation a system of high schools which shall be largely correalated into an efficient system of secondary schools and with our higher institutions of learning. Knowledge will govern ignorance, and if the people of Texas are to be their own governors and are to be free from the rule of political bosses, the liquor interests and other special interests, the seventy-five per cent of our population who live on the farms and ranches must have the opportunity to obtain at least a high school education. Again the country schools of our State, as indeed our public schools everywhere, need a closer and more expert supervision. We are today every year investing more money in our public schools than all other functions of our government. It is inexcusable and unbusinesslike to carry on so collosal and important an enterprise without providing for competent supervision of the functions of the functions of our s Public Education. on so collosal and important an enterprise without providing for competent supervision of the funds expended therefor, and all of the activities necessary to the highest efficiency of service.

Give Generous Care. We have reached the time when our whole system of education should be carefully studied in order that its weaknesses may be determined in order that its weaknesses may be determined and removed, and that Texas may have indeed and in truth as rational a system and as efficiently administered, as any other Commonwealth of the Union. Fur system of public school education established by our fathers should be generously cared for and such improvements as are necessary to adapt it to the needs of modern living should be promptly made. Whatever reasonable amount of money necessary to accomplish this will. I am sure, be voted by a generous people who have at heart the welfare of their children and of the State, recognizing the truth of the immortal State, recognizing the truth of the immortal statement of President Lamar that "cultivated mind is the guardian genius of Democracy; it is the only dictator that freemen acknowledge, and the only security that free men desire."

And to accomplish this purpose I shall undertake, if elected, to co-operate with those charged with the administration of this great trust in an honest and serious effort to secure such reforms, improvements and extensions of our educational system as the public need demands, and as a means to this end I shall favor a law extending the scholastic age from seventeen to twenty years. It is unfortunately too true that in many instances the youth of our country when arriving at the present age limit have just begun to realize the great importance of further advancement and are just arriving at a time. arriving at a time when they can complete their education and fit themselves for useful their education and it themselves for useful service to their State. This is particularly true in our rural communities, where, for the most part, the terms of school are limited and where often the necessities of life on the farm demand that they engage in its activities. Gubernatorial Denial.

On this question I take issue with the Governor, who vetoed a bill to this effect passed by the last Legislature, and by his veto-denied to the people the benefit of this salutary measure. Again this effort to improve the conditions of the great masses of our people should be the care of the whole State. I dissent from the recommendation made by the Governor in his message to the Thirty-second legislature, in which he says among other things: "I believe, however, that a change in our organic law should be made so as to ALLOW the collection of a county tax for school purposes IN LIEU of a county tax for school purposes IN LIEU OF THE STATE TAX, and supplement the county tax by a distribution of the revenues from the available school fund on the per capita basis as supplemental to the county tax.

Under our present system of laws the State requires of all Texas citizens everywhere as a Statewide duty that they shall pay the tax levied for the support of the public free schools, and that such tax shall be distributed back to every community in proportion to the pupils of scholastic age which each county has. pupils of scholastic age which each county has. Under the Governor's recommendation the state would abdicate the patriotic duty of seeing that all children everywhere shall have the benefit of public free schools, and would substitute for it a provision that every county may, if it saw proper, provide for the education of its children. This would mean, of course, that if the people of any county could be induced or procured through individuals or through the influence of large property owners upon whom the burden of taxation must fall to make no provision for public education then to make no provision for public education then the children of such county must go without the benefit of the opportunity for an education

State's Duty to Educate.

Wratever may be said of local self govern-ment, certainly no one will claim that it is not the duty of Texas to give to all of her children everywhere the opportunity to obtain a com-mon school education, and I believe that this is a Statewide duty which should be enforced by the State in every locality for the benefit of every child within this State and there can be no better evidence of the Governor's lack of harmony with the broad educational policy which Texas should pursue than this recom-

mendation in his first message.

Mr. Jefferson, in a letter written to Jos. C. Mr. Jefferson, in a letter written to Jos. C. Cabell, on January 14, 1818, seemed to have had in mind that sometime, a man would be found somewhere, who would propose some such suggestion. As is well known, much of the wealth of the country is concentrated in the great centers of the State, which through their many avenues of business activity obtain a tribute, and for the most part, a fair and just tribute, from the activities and labors of the more sparsely settled communities. Says Mr. Jefferson: "And will the wealthy individuals have no retribution and what will this be First, the peopling of his neighborhood with honest, useful and enlightened citizens, understanding their own rights and firm in their perpetuation. Second, when his own descendants become poor, which they generally do within three generations (no law of rimogeniture now keeps property wealth in the same families), the children will be educated by the then rich and the little advancement that he now makes to poverty while himself rich, will be repaid by the then rich, to his descendants, when become poor and thus give our present system a large and growing burden them a chance of rising again. This is a solid is imposed upon the carrying and other comcause and should go to the bosom of every parent. This will be seed sown in fertile ground. It is a provision for his family looking to distant times and far in duration beyond that he has now in hand for them. Let every man count backward in his own family and see how many generations he can go before he comes to the ancestor who made the fortune he now holds. Most will be stopped at the first generation, many at the second, few will reach the third and not one in the State can go be-

Free School Books.

I also believe and shall urge the Legislature to enact a law authorizing independent school districts, in their discretion, to furnish free school books to pupils in lower grades. poverty are not so evident and manifest, but the sum which the law awarded him as the that it will accomplish good results in the more crowded centers of our population there can In the case of Chas. Warner vs. G. C. & S. F. crowded centers of our population there can be no doubt, and is a measure, resting in sound statesmanship and for which there is a real

Nor de I regard the teachers of this State as mere "tax eaters," but as a noble band of obtained and collected a judgment for the sum men and women performing too often with of \$10,000. inadequate compensation, almost the noblest office in the world.

Reform in Judicial Practice and Procedure.

In my public statement, to which I call attention, among other things, I referred to the faults of our system of Court Procedure, all of which I now reiterate. I have, within the last few months, in a series of articles published in the Dallas News, outlined in some detail the particular changes needed in our Code of Criminal Procedure. I then said, and now say, that if these changes and reforms are instituted and adopted (and others are needed) it would result in preventing reversals in more than half of the cases that now reach

our higher courts. In addition to this it would result in preventing the granting of innumerable new trials in the lower courts, delays, better insure justice, save enormous sums in court costs, loss of time to witnesses and interference with ministration of justice and take away from our to give to those whose limbs are lost or whose courts any reproach that they are the refuge

of the criminals of the country Progress May Be Made.

There are greater reforms needed, requiring more labor, more care and more painstaking in our Civil Procedure. In order to accomplish all that is desirable it will be required that there should be submitted to the people and adopted by them certain amendments to Constitution. These I shall not here undertake to specify, but I believe that, by Acts wisely and carefully drawn, under the limits and with deference to our Constitution as it now stands, great progress can be made. Among these re-forms would be requirements that all pleadings should be paragraphed and sworn to; that the office of what is called a general denial and plea of not guilty in defensive pleadings should be abolished and that every defendant against whom a suit was filed in any court should be required to deny each allegation under oath, distinguished supplies that the other hand, we have many poor and deserving men out of employment and no doubt they and their families, many of them, are in a condition, if not of want, at least are denied many of the comforts which the industrious wage earner under favorable conditions could supply to his loved ones. and that otherwise same should be taken as confessed; causes should be submitted to juries on special issues, so that the facts might in fairness be found by them, so what when so found, it should be the office and duty of the found, it should be the omce and duty of the court to pronounce the judgement of the law on such findings. This procedure would make it unnecessary for the courts to give, as in practice they do now in practically every cause, long and complicated charges involving opportunities for errors and requiring new trials to be granted or reversals to occur in respect to any error in the charge that might affect the argult though in truth the large triangle. the result, though in truth the jury trying the case may have resolved the issue of fact, requiring such instruction, in favor of the person who thereafter should complain about it. Pro-vision should also be made for a similar and briefer record, eliminating unessentials, so that on appeal the very question controlling the case might be the more readily decided.

Stands Between Extremes.

I know that there is a natural reluctance on the part of many of the ablest and most learned I have been interested for many years in members of the profession of law to in any movement looking to change in our present system. I know, too, that zealous and patriotic men, mindful of and suffering under present conditions, would, if permitted, in their zeal for reform, go to great and dangerous lengths. I stand between these extremes. I would give such reforms and would secure such reforms as would better and improve our such reforms as would better and improve our system and reasonably meet the just demands system and reasonably meet the just demands of the Committee on Platform and Resolutions, at the Fort Worth Convention, I offered and adopted as a plank in the Democratic plat. Form a provision favoring the amelioration and practical abolition of what had been known as the "fellow servants doctrine" in this State. Governor Culberson, in response to that demand, submitted and urged the matter upon the legislature, with the result that there was suffer no reform as much as the spirit which, in its mistaken zeal, would institute a wholly new and untried system.

new and untried system.

But, if I am elected Governor, and the people of the state will elect a legislature reasonably in accord with my views, purpose and aims, we WILL HAVE reforms in our Code of Civil and Criminal Procedure in this State. I would, immediately after my election, set about to accomplish this one thing. I would call into conference and call to my assistance the ablest and best men in the profession and the ablest and best men out of it.

which they now enjoy. It would inevitably cowards to the rear and pitch the fools into matter will receive, in the same spirit, my and seek that relief and consolation which the lead to an immense increase of taxes in the the sea," and steer the boat straight ahead for patient, careful and sympathetic attention. family affords. But with no necessity restins lead to an immense increase of taxes in the smaller and less wealthy counties and enable wealthy corporations and individuals in our great cities and centers of wealth to escape taxation in a large measure for the support of the free schools of the State.

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Trained for the Work.

If my practice as a lawyer for more than thirty years, my study of our Constitution and laws, and my experience gathered while on both the courts of last resort have fitted me for anything, it would seem that I should have some reasonable measure of preparation for this great task. We must have, too, if our system is to continue, some relief for our Supreme Court, and the time is coming when we shall have to have some help for our Court of Criminal Appeals. For the present, I would, at least in respect to the Supreme Court, either create a commission to be appointed by the Governor, by and with the consent of the Senate, of three able lawyers to aid them, or authorize the governor to call from the present Courts of Civil Appeals, a sufficient number of judges to enable the Supreme Court to meet the heavy burdens now resting upon it.

Labor.

For my own part, I have never recognized, and shall not recognize, any classes or dis tinctions among our people calling for preferences or favoritism in the administration of our government. However, we cannot close our eyes to the fact that under our complex civilization, with its many and various activities, there are employments needed and essential to the public welfare, which are attended

with great and increasing dangers. Every thoughtful citizen, every railway and shop employee of intelligence every manager of a railway system or great industrial plant, must have had it borne in upon him that under panies of the State in the way of litigated claims without any corresponding benefit to those who have been the subjects of injury

and misfortune. In every center of this State the dockets of our courts are clogged with personal injury suits. These suits, in my experience, sometimes result in injustice to the company sued and not infrequently in as great injustice to the person suing.

In my own experience as a lawyer, and in three cases in which I was counsel, this ridiculous result was attained.

Absurd Results.

In the case of Wm. Watson vs. The G. C. & S. F. R. R. Co., where he suffered the loss of his leg, he recovered as a result of his suit may not seriously affect those residing in the a verdict from the jury, after a delay of a year country, where the extremes of riches and a half, for \$1000 ,and that represented,

> R. R. Co., who also lost a leg tried some two or three times in the District Court of Johnson county and resulting in two appeals, after a delay of something more than four years, he

> In the case of Sam Harris vs. M. K. & T. brought in the District Court of Hill county, for a similar injury, with but slight delay, recovered a judgment, and same case was ap aled and affirmed, in the sum of \$15,000. Now, is it not obvious that we have here the ridiculous result either that Watson got immeasurably too little or that Harris got entirely too much?

Remedy Needed.

We need in this State, and if I am elected Governor it will not be my fault, if we do not have enacted into the law, a fair, just and easonable law providing fixed and adequate compensation for those injured in hazardous

occupations, where such injury is not due to their own wilfull and criminal negligence. This will have the result of immensely delives are yielded up to the hazards of our complex and modern industries, without delay

and without expense. We are now in the midst, as we have been for many months, of a great strike on the Southern Pacific System. With the merits of the unfortunate controversy I am not acquainted and would not be understood as ex-pressing any opinion which might seem to prejudge its merits or might cause complaint from either party. But the fact remains that we have this great economic conflict, resulting in greatly interfering with the business of the company; causing it great loss, unusual expense, interference with business and interruption, to some extent, of its train schedules.

ditions could supply to his loved ones.

We have had, too. if the current reports are
to be taken as true, as a result of this unfortunate condition, many outbreaks affecting the business and shipments of many of our

merchants and others along their lines. Conciliation and Arbitration.

These things ought not to be in a civilized country, at least until the State had exhausted every effort which the wisest statesmanship and the wisest thought could devise. lic, the State, society is interested in these matters, and if I am elected Governor of this State I will recommend to the Legislature and, if possible, secure the enactment of a law providing for the institution of a fair and efficient Board of Conciliation and Arbitration, one that will have some authority in law to intervene, at least to secure information seeking to honorably adjust matters between the contending

enacted by it a measure practically relieving trainmen from the horrors and hardships of that ancient and out-of-date rule and no chap-ter in my life has ever afforded me more consolation and pleasure than that I had been the means of insuring the protection of these mea from the dangers and hardships over which, in most cases, they could have little or no control, and if I am chosen by the suffrage of the patriotic and unpurchasable democrats of Texas to be their governor I shall, in a spirit of justice to all men, certainly in a spirit of kindness to those whose occupations and environments should make them the special care of the State, see that these measures which I have mentioned are made the subject of deliberate care and that the second that the secon assistance the ablest and best men in the profession and the ablest and best men out of it,
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Agriculture. Among the great interests in this State, which by reason of their importance to the public in general, and that they engage the time and attention and involve the welfare of so large a portion of our population, is that of agriculture. It and its success lies at the very foundation of all our prosperity. If through misfortune any or every city in Texas should be razed to the dust, if the farm prospers its walls would rise again. But if the farm fails and the tiller of the soil finds his employ ment unremunerative every class of society and every city and town in Texas must feel and share in his misfortune. It behooves us, therefore, to take special care that this great interest should in every proper way be nurtured and encouraged. We must, of course, learn and teach our people that their success must large ly depend upon their own initiative and in-dustry, sobriety and economy. And I think in general we may safely trust these matters to their independence and their patriotism. have no purpose or desire to imitate the example which I have observed almost since l have been a grown man of the biennial effort to play to the galleries and fool the farmer. will appeal to him, and shall appeal to him, on the same high plane that I would to others of our citizenship. We must teach in this State, and we must secure the diversification of farming. We must have in this State in practice and operation a better, more secure and ample system of financing and marketing our cotton crops. A recent decision by our Supreme Court has made it essential, I believe, that compress, cotton yard and warehouse receipts and other evidences showing the storage of cotton and other crops, shall be given the quality of negotiability.

Warehouse Provisions.

We ought in every way and by proper legis lation make easy and more effective the con-struction of warehouses by organizations among the farmers themselves, and make them more subject to State control, and give them as far as we can do so, the security of State regulation and in addition it would be well, I think to authorize State banks, and permit other banks in each locality to conduct in con-nection with their other activities cotton wareouses. I stand ready to favor all such legis lation as on full investigation shall be deemed most advisable. If elected, I shall, among other things, immediately set about the creation and appointment of a broad commission, composed of able and experienced men, having actual and not a political interest in the matter, to devise and report a plan, evolving such legislation as might be deemed advisable his is peculiarly a question which should not treated from a partisan standpoint, or made ne personal hobby of any man, either to secure fice or retain office, but avoiding any one special scheme, the statesmanship, the self-sacrifice and the best thought of those most interested should find expression in an adequate law, which, avoiding controversies and conflicting factions, should yet afford the needed relief. needed relief.

Regulation of the Liquor Traffic.

believe in the necessity and wisdom of a daylight closing law as applied to those engaged in the sale of liquors. Such a bill the Governor vetoed during the last Regular Session of the Legislature. This veto was based on two grounds: First, that the bill was un-constitutional, because, as stated in his message, it contained two subjects,—the regulation of the occupation of liquor dealers and the prohibition of particular classes of persons from making contributions for campaign pur

If the matter were not serious, such a position would be ludicrous. These matters related to the same general subject and any one should know that the bill was not subject to the overnor's objections as to its constitution-It was further vetoed for the reason it was unconstitutional to refuse to permit liquor dealers to contribute to campaign funds, in that it denied them equal rights before the law. The Governor says, in effect, in his message "that the proponents of the law might as well go a step further and say that awvers, as a class, should be denied the right to contribute to campaign funds," thus putting lawyers on the same plane as liquor dealers. For myself, as a member of that honorable profession, I do not admit the correctness of classification. He also says, in his messa classification. He also says, in his message: It would be just as unconstitutional for them to have gone still further and said in this bill that the Legislature hereby licenses a man to follow the occupation of a liquor dealer, but he is hereby prohibited from contributing anything to the support of schools and churches." Thus placing contributions made by selfish and sinister interests for the purpose of influencing and dominating the politics of this State on the ame plane as contributions to the cause aucation or the Christian religion. Whet Whether the Governor's opinion touching the uncon-stitutionality of a law prohibiting liquor in-terests of this state from raising a vast corruption fund to debauch the ballot and corruption fund to debauch the ballot and corrupt the government, arises from a misconception of the Constitution, or to unconcern as to the evils sought to be relieved against, or was a mistake of judgment as to the correct policy, is a matter of no consequence. If such a law was unconstitutional in his judgment during his first term of office, it is to be assumed that will hold it unconstitutional if re-elected. I say to you, my countrymen, that no man in my judgment is fit to be encrusted with the destinies and fortunes of a great Commonwealth of God-fearing and liberty-loving people, who holds to the belief that the State by licensing liquor dealers to pursue that occupation deprives itself of the authority and cannot lawfully attach to such license and business the condition that it shall not defile, corrupt and debauch the politics of the state corrupt and debauch the politics of the state with their dirty money. I say to you again, hat the Governor does not understand the Constitution of the State. He is not even on peaking terms with it.

Texas on Auction Block.

say to you, as a lawyer having an experience at the bar and on the bench of almost thirty-five years, that there is inherent in the Legislature of this State ample and adequate power to protect the people's interests against a combination of brewers, distillers and saloon-keepers, from putting Texas on the auction block and buying it with their miserable money And I say to you further, that if I am elected overnor of this State that there WILL BE a law passed, and I say to you that the courts will hold it constitutional, denying to the liquor interests of the State the right to corrupt our politics. That there is ample need for such a law has been demonstrated in the contest through which we have just passed. Every man knows the immense fund that there was poured forth from a thousand quarters in the State and out of the State, such as had never been heard of before in Texas. It can make no difference either, whether you are for prohibiion or against prohibition, no good man can but tremble for the safety of his country when the baser interests are permitted by their money contributions, to corrupt our elections. This is not a question of prohibition—it is a question of patriotism.

and seek that relief and consolation which the family affords. But with no necessity resting in any public demand, such as applies to drust stores and other stores where innocent beverages are sold, these places, until midnight, continue open, the scene of brawls, the habitation of drunkenness and drunkards and often of debauchery and lawlessness. The press of the country has been full of statements and communications from anti-prohibitionists all over Texas, favoring this law and if I am elected your Governor you WILL HAVE SUCH LAW. Nor can it be seriously contended that the governor was solicitous to pass a daylight closing bill for the reason that during the special session, the Legislature then in session, passed a respectful resolution inviting him to passed a respectful resolution inviting him to submit this and other similar issues to them for action and their respectful petition was met with a refusal but slightly short of in-

Regulation of Poll Tax.

I believe now as I did when I became a candidate for Governor, that there should be instituted a stricter rule in respect to the payment of poll taxes, to the end that they no longer be dealt in as merckandise, but that those physically able to do so should be re-quired to pay their poll tax personally, at the office of the tax collector, or, in the event of their physical inability to personally pay such tax, that this fact be evidenced by affidavit furnished the agent who applies for and pays same, and also that effective means of identifying persons who do pay their poll tax, in legal form, be pro-vided for, and that the poll list of voters be open to public inspection a reasonable time before election, so that the registration may be purged of illegal votes; and I would favor such other just and fair regulations as will protect the purity of the ballot, insure every person qualified under the law one vote and that such vote shall be honestly and fairly counted. The purity of our elections, lies at the very foundation of our free institutions. No state or republic can long endure where elections are controlled atther by twenty or correction.

controlled either by tyranny or corruption. In the great case of Solon vs. State, in an opinion delivered by me on the 24th of June. 1908. I said:

can better spare anything than an honest ballot and a fair count. If the people make mistakes as to officers and by misadventure elect those unfit for office, they can, at their swift recurring elections, displace them and elect those worthy to sit in high places 'A breath can make them as a breath hath made them,' but when the integplaces. rity and honesty of our elections are gone all is gone.

"While stands the Coliseum, Rome shall stand:

When falls the Coliseum, Rome shall fall, And when Rome falls, the world."

Money in Campaigns. I am unalterably opposed to the use of money in all elections and in all primaries, except for such expenses as are absolutely necessary-such as the purchase of stamps, printing and distribution of literature, neces-sary clerk hire and the defraying of actual traveling expenses of speakers when necessary and requested. I am opposed to the employment and payment of speakers in any kind of a campaign, either for any candidate for office, or for or against any issue to be voted upon by the people, and I am opposed to the payment of any compensation to any person for any kind of political service, except that of purely clerical character, necessary to do the work incident to the distribu-tion of literature and conducting the necessary correspondence connected with a cam-All elections in Texas should and must be pure and free from the corrupt in-fluence of money. The most effective way and the only way to accomplish this is to prohibit every man from receiving compensation for any kind of political service in any and in any and all campaigns, elections and except as hereinabove stated. The political hired campaigner, the secret attorney and agent, the traveling organizer, the district, county or precinct chairman, and the ward heeler, are no more entitled to pay and their payment can no more be justified than to pay the individual voter his per diem for going to the polls to vote.

Poor Man a Chance.

Conditions must be made such in this state that any honest man, though poor, can run and be elected to office in Texas, without being compelled, or seduced, into calling upon and accepting from special interests, contributions to his campaign fund. I am, there-fore, opposed to the saloon and liquor interthis state, or elsewhere, and all other special interests, separately or in combination, influencing or being permitted to influence and control the politics and public affairs of this state. Recent events must have convinced e thoughtful citizen that if our free institutions are to endure, strict and vigorous legislation must be enacted prohibiting the debauchery of the electorate. I believe in, and, therefore, shall urge legislation in harand, therefore, shall urge legislation in harmony with the above views and making their enforcement effective, and that in addition to this, a law should be passed limiting to a reasonable amount, the sum of money permitted to be expended in any party, state, county or city election, and requiring full publicity of campaign contributions, both before and after such election. Or in other words, my countrymen. I am standing before fore and after such election. Or in other words, my countrymen, I am standing before you committed to the proposition that we must and we will put the liduor interests out of politics in this state. Men will, accordingly as they esteem and appraise the value of these issues, for themselves determine and decide what is most controlling, but no good man, it seems to me, whether he favors prohibition or is opposed to statewide prohibition, can question that among the overshadowtion, can question that among the overshadowing demands of the hour is that the corrupt, rum-soaked and Heaven cursed liquor power in this state shall be broken, buried in dishonor in the dust, never again to be resur-rected in Texas to affright and molest our

free people.

And I shall, as I continue the campaign, aloud against this power that has sought and is seeking to debauch and corrupt our young men; that has sought and is seeking to overawe our people, which has sought and is seeking to fasten a strangle hold around the throat of Texas.

Colquitt Opposed to Democratic Doctrines. I can not at this time discuss in detail the other matters to which I have called your

other matters to which I have called your attention. I desire, however, ff. awhile to discuss the record and performances of the present executive. I shall speak of his record only; of him personally I shall have nothing to say. Mine is to be a campaign of issues. I shall speak of his recorded opinions as a public man, and I trust with that deference that the great office he holds would suggest from any good citizen of Texas.

As I believe, he is out of harmony with the best public sentiment of this state, not in accord with the opinions of the democracy of Texas; that a great mistake was made, be-

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CPPOSED TO CLASS DANCE.

Austin, May 13. - Because she is opposed to dancing, Mrs. Geo A. Brush, preisdent of the Austin High School Mother's Club, resigned when the club voted to give a dance for this year's graduating class. Eight other members voted with her against the dance. The club is composed of leading Austin society women.

"I do not believe dancing is proper for boys and girls and I could not remain at the head of an organization under whose auspices a dance is to be given," said Mrs Brush in explaining her resignation .-- Daily press report.

Regardless of your views on this question no one can but admire the courage of Mrs. Brush. There are many parents who hold the view expressed by Mrs. Brush, but for lack of courage to take a stand remain silent on the question. Pity the man or woman who straddles the fence on any question effecting the wellfare and morality of the country.

With the coming of good range comes the advance in stock cattle. Cheap feed makes high price cattle. The same applies to hogs. With good prospects for good feed crops come the demand for hogs. Don't overlook this and fail to plant a few hogs for future use. The man with his smoke house at home has the battle against high cost of living half won and is not worrying about the government going to the dim nition. Another item along this line, while we are handing out advice, every farmer should be in the soft (swamp) maples. poultry business. Never before in the history of the country was there such a demand for eggs and poultry. The price remains at TOP-WORKING THE SEEDLINGS the profit paying point all the time with no indication of a decline.

Some of our Democratic friends have seen fit to criticise this paper for not taking a stronger stand against socialism. Don't worry about our Democracy, it is on straight; furthermore it is a waste of time to give notice to a political party the foundation principles of which are based on prejudice and will soon sink into oblivion. The socialist are howling graft, graft and accusing starts, from thrifty trees of the variety honest officers with corruption. If the officers embezzled the whole government the socialists would have no right to kick, because only with few exceptions can they be found on the tax rolls in more than three figures, and then with the decimal between the first and second figure.

Before we can make any great advancement as a town and develop the natural resources, and obtain the better things we are justly entitled to, we must have a get-to-gether meeting. There is nothing truer than "in unity there is strength" and "divided we fall, etc". This especially applies to city building and country developing. No man or set of men can accomplish anything with pull-backs and knockers to cripple their efforts. Let us lay down our petty differences and pull together for awhile and see if the load can be lightened. There is room in Ballinger for all of us.

In checking up the rainfall for the past several years we note that May in 1900 and May in 1908, the two best crop years in the history of the country, were wet months. In May 1900 we had over six inches of rain. In May 1908 we had 5.62 rain fall. For place until ready to set. The first year the present May we have had up to date about six inches of rain. remove but a part of the top, say one-Of course this is no guarantee that we are all going to get rich ly over this 25 or 30 in the half of a this year, but we can't help but see the bright side of it, and it be- tree seven or eight years old. The folgins to look like history will repeat itself.

By request, and from a Democrat too, and for those who never with scion set; c, stock ready for scion; read it, we are publishing in this week's paper the platform of the d, scion ready to set, and e, shape of socialist party. The platform has a few good planks, but they scion at the wedge end. The stubs were swiped from the Democratic platform and have long since been recovered by the Democrats and are now safely spiked down limbs but always near the body of with Wilson, Sheppard and Ramsey standing guard.

If you can't boost for your home town you can at least root The scion should be driven lightly in for the base ball team. Some people would knock if they were in heaven, and, while the Bible says something about judge not least den seed or may be prepared at home ye be judged, we want to judge just a little bit anyway and say of one pound tallow, two pounds beesthat we do not believe that the knockers will ever have an opportunity to knock on the pearly streets.

Mississippi needs a few Trousdales. Robbers held up and robbed a train of money estimated at from \$50,000 to \$150,000 near Hattisburg Tuesday. The robbers profited by the experience of the bandits that were killed near San Antonio a few months ago, and left no chance for the express messenger to get in his work.

Whether Ballinger wins the money in the clean-up contest or not, we can pride ourselves on having one of the prettiest court house parks in Texas, and another beauty spot is the Santa Fe park. Both of these places are subjects of much comment by travelers and are worth all they cost just as an advertisement.

State politics are getting warm faster than the weather; in fact, the recent cold spell did not affect the political temperature of the state. The candidates are shelling the woods and the people are taking in the campaign thunder.

It is gratifying to the booster for good health to see the interest manifested in fly swatting early in the season. Cut down the breed to begin with and keep up the work through the summer.

We preach and practice home patronage but we can call the be dug over very deeply and as early names of several in Ballinger, who depend on home patronage in the spring as it can be worked. for support, that are not doing this.

Good roads are more essential than million dollar court houses, the one benefits the masses the other the classes.

Who said it did'nt rain in Runnels county? Three rains and dead trees and wormy apples is a blot six inches and that too, all within one week.

Suited for Purpose Wanted-Frequent Pruning Needed.

(By R. G. WEATHERSTONE.) Too large a tree should be avoided. Select the tree best suited for your purpose, be that shade, ornamental, Hermia Smith, daughter of Judge fruit, production of lumber, wind break or fence post.

Bear in mind that the tree you plant, if of proper species, may be a shelter and pride of future generations, or if wrongly selected it may last but a decade.

The one advantage, that of rapid growth, should not decide what tree to plant. Innumerable insects, fungoid diseases and the necessity for frequent pruning, besides a brief period of existence, may characterize the tree of your choice, and it should be discarded.

Where there is slight opportunity for frequent watering, tree species demanding large quantities of water the High School building. Prof. should be discarded. They will be dis- Fleming represents the Conference

appointing. Elms, cottonwood and swamp maples are among the class requir-

The oak, ash, sugar maple, Norway maple, walnut, catalpa, etc., succeed with a moderate quant y of moisture. Good roots in ample quantity are of vital importance to the tree's successful growth. In digging spare not the labor, but secure all the roots possible

mutilated. Cutting off the leading shoots is extremely bad practice, only to be tolerated with cottonwood and

Worthless Fruit Trees May Be Changcd to Those of Value by Operation -System Illustrated.

(By J. W. GRIFFIN.)

Trees bearing worthless fruit may be changed to those of value by topworking to such varieties that are preferred. Secure scions before growth wanted and keep them moist in a cool



How to Graft a Tree.

third or a half, and set the scions evenlowing year repeat the performance with the remaining half of the tree.

The system illustrated has given good results, a is the stock; b, stock should be four to six inches long. Do not set scion out near the end of the

The cut is made in the stock with a sharp saw, then shaped with a knife. place and then waxed. Grafting wax may be secured from dealers in garwax and four pounds rosin. Melt all together, pour in a kettle of cold water and work with greased hands until stiff and easy to handle.

blossoms, not wood or leaves. Prune off all dead or weak branch-

Keep the orchard land in good tilth. The trees can be set as soon as the

Frequent applications of manure water during the summer will keep

the plants blooming. In planting young trees they should be set about an inch deeper than they were in the nursery.

Tobacco stems strewn on the ground at the base of rose plants will help to keep away insects. Nasturtiums and morning glories

should be planted wherever there is anything to train them on. Just as soon as frost is out and the ground dry enough it will be time to

set out the strawberry plants.

The ground for strawberries must setting the trees too close together.

Plant a cover crop in the orchard. Rye, barley, wheat and oats are good nonleguminous plants, but the legumes are better.

The old, neglected orchard with its on the face of the earth. Trim, spray cultivate and get big returns.

Grandpa Smith.

It is Grandpa Smith, and Judge M. C Smith is the Smith we refer to. A fine ten pound boy arrived a the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Turberville, at Winters Wednesday. Mrs. Turberville was formerly Miss and Mrs. M. C. Smith, and her friends in Ballinger are many who will be glad to know that she is getting along nicely.

PROF. FLEMING ADDRESSES FACULTY AND STUDENTS.

Prof. W. S. Fleming, former superintendent of the Brownwood schools, spent yesterday afternoon in the city and at 4:30 delivered an address before the Brownwood High School faculty and school at for Education in Texas and is delivering talks in this district. His talk was appreciated .- Brownwood

Judge, J. W. Powell received message yesterday to come to Coleman at once, important development. Judge Powell is interested in a company that is deteloping The top of a tree should not be an oil and coal field in coleman county. He is no a member of the board of directors of his company and said he did'nt know what waso

> All the candidates and quite : number of Ballinger business men went out to Crews yesterday participate in a big rabbit drive and barbecue. We will give an account of the occasion in our next

Mrs. Ed. Glober was carried to the sanitarium yesterday and an operation performed for a very seri proposed ous trouble. She is getting along as well as could be expected at pre-

W. K. Lilly was in from the Norton country yesterdsay, accompanied by his son, Oliver. Mr. Lilly said his country did not receive as much rain as Ballinger, but things were in fine shape, and the oat crop was coming out considerably.

Mrs. Eugene Risser, of Childress, is here this week visiting her mother, Mrs. Joe B. Johnson,

are here this week visiting Mr. All-

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> OSCAR PEARSON, Ballinger, Texas. 1t. Agriculture.

C. C Cockrell went to Temple facturing Company has been organi Wednesday to attend the State Press Association.

J. H. Wilke had business in Tem-

R T, Williams, U. P. Melton, H Giesecke and Joe Wilmeth went to San Angelo yesterday to represent Ballinger in the fight against the increased freight rates that are

Texas Industrial Notes.

pany of Marshalltown, Iowa has ness in Texas with principal of- public highways leading into Sherficers in Austin, capital stock \$200,- man.

Columbus sold recently for a con- making a total of 1,000 cars shipped sideration of \$61,000.

facturers League will 'ave May 13 \$350,000, bond issue.

Aransas with a view of establishing ment.

Orchads and vineyards near Plain view are being inspected by E. A. Miller of the State Department of

The Twyford Automobile Manued at Houston with a capital stock of \$400,000.

A good roads expert from the Agricultural Department at Washington, ahs arrived at Orange to supervise the building and repairing of

the Orange County roads, on which (\$200,000 is to be expended. Corpus Christi is to have a new \$40,000 amusement park, and constructions will start in the near fut

Work of laying track has commenced on the Fowlerton extension of the San Antonio, Uvalde & Gulf

Arrangements have been completbeen granted a permit to do busi- 3d for the dragging of 100 miles of

Eighty car loads of onions were A two thousand acre farm near shipped from Laredo, April 25th, to date.

The trades excursion planned by | Cameron county has organized a the Fort Worth Chamber of Com- Good Roads Association with view of merce and the Jobbers and Manu- creating sentiment in favor of a

for a six-days trip during which Fifty-three cars of cabbage were Ben Allen and wife, of Big Spring time 1,038 miles will be covered. shipped from Harlington in one The Mallory Steamsihp Company train load last week. \$30,000 was re ens parents, Mr. and Mrs N. J. has completed an inspection of Port alized by the growers on this ship-

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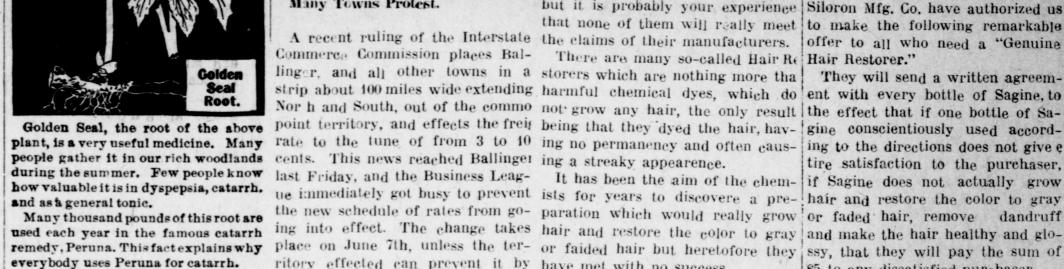
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Peruna Secrets You Should Know

Colquitt H adquarters at Austin Anncunees Dates of Speeches.

Austin, May 11.—The following ap pointments were today announced a C lq itt headquarters for Governor O. B. Colquitt covering the time between n w and the first day of

Panhandle, Monday, May 13, at Claude, Monday, May 13, at 3:00

M mphis, Tues ay, May 14

10 30 a. m. Wellington, Tuesday, May 14, at

C'ildress, Tuesday, May 14, at 8 15 p. m.

Quanth, Wednesday, May 15, at 10:30 a. m. Vergon, Wednesday, May 15, at

Crowell, Thursday, May 16, 40 30 a. m.

Padue: h. Thursday, May 16, at

Guthrie, Friday, May 17, 11 a. m. Knox City, Friday, May 17, at 3 Haskell, Friday, May 17, at 8:15

Chillicotte, Saturday, May 18, at

Dallas, Ad Men's convention, Mon day, May 20. Galv ston, Caus way celebration,

Saturday May 25. Brenham, "Saengerfest," Monday,

Santa Anna, Tuesday, May 28, at

Coleman, Tuesday, May 28 at 2:-Ballinger, Tuesday May 28, at

Ovalo, Wednesday, May 29, at 11

Bronte, Wednesday, May 29, at San Angelo, Wednesday, May 29,

at 8.15 p. m. Paint Rock, Thursday May

Brady, Thursday, May 30 3 p. m. San Saba, Friday, May 31, at 2 Goldthwait, Saturday, June 1, 2

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Interstate Commerce Commission Many Towns Protest.

Commerce Commission places Bal- There are many so-called Hair Re Hair Restorer." linger, and all other towns in a storers which are nothing more tha! They will send a written agreempoint territory, and effects the freit being that they dyed the hair, hav- gine conscientiously used accordplant, is a very useful medicine. Many rate to the tune of from 3 to 10 ing no permanency and often caus- ing to the directions does not give e people gather it in our rich woodlands cents. This news reached Ballinger ing a streaky appearence. ue immediately got busy to prevent ists for years to discovere a pre- hair and restore the color to gray the new schedule of rates from go- paration which would really grow or faded hair, remove dandruff ing into effect. The change takes hair and restore the color to gray and make the hair healthy and gloritory effected can prevent it by have met with no success. having the commission to revoke Prof. Rembler now claims to have This is the strongest offer made line remain where it is.

San Angelo, at which time all the grow hair and does not contain any ment that it would do exactly what townd effected will have represen- dye of any kind, but will positively they claim for it. No one takes an: tatives, and a united effort will be restore the natural color and bril- chance in buying Sagine as it is made to present to the commission liancy to gray and faded hair. argument to show that this change This is a very strong statement Hair Restorer that will really grow should not be made. The people of to make and if any chemist without hair, and if it does not give satisthis section of the state are not in the recognized ability and national faction they will pay you the \$5 as at this particular time. It means in this claim we would be inclined to on Mfg. Co, Pueblo, Colo., stating blow to every man who resides will be remembered by readers that of Sagine with the written agreewithin the effected territory.

what they could in the matter, and the commission is now being beseiged with telegrams, letters and petitions protesting against the

The citizens of Ballinger met in mass meeting Tuesday morning and delegated R. T. Williams, U. P. Melton and J Wilmethl to represent Ballinger at the meeting of the various towns at San Angelo Thurs in prizes this year by the Texas In

it means a great blow to all of

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Mrs V. W. Pickins Dead.

Mrs. V. W. Pickins died at the home of her daughter Mrs. T. E. Butler, Sunday morning at five o'clock, after an illn ss of several

months. Deceased lived to a ripe old age and death closed a life of usefulness She is survived by a number Bull, of this place, Mrs. W. R. Spencer, of Lubbock, and Mrs. Gam bel, of Dallas. All of these were here to attend the funeral, which took place Monday afternoon at conducted by Rev E. V. Cox, of pastor of the Methodist church, of Brownwood, Interment was made

The family have many friends in Ballinger who join in sympathy during the hours made sad by the loss of a good mother.

Don't be surprised if you have an attack of rheumatism this spring. Just rub the affected parts freely with Chamberlain's Liniment and it will soon disappear. Sold by

Lem E. Creswell of Leaday was in town Tuesday of this week to see his old friend Will Dunlap at the Sanitarium, and while here sub scribed for the Banner Leader. He is one of the Democrats of the Leaday community who was active down in that section in getting up just because there is no work you resalutions condemning Socealism which resolution we publish this issue.

Rural Education Progressing.

ers and Merchants Bank, Ballinger, Texas, said to a representative of Farm and Ranch.

Runnels county feels justly proud of he schools. Under the able, efficient and energetic direction of County Superintendent E. L. Hagan, we have progressed to where we tin. are in the cont rank among the Friday, May 17, 8:30 p. schools of our state. The county has 50 rural school building costing from \$500 to 2000 each, four independent districts, with from one to four buildings to the district, costing from 7000 to 20,000 per build-

Both independent and rural build ings are constructed in strict observance of the best rules governing ventilation and sanitattion. We Contest. have 120 teachers and over 5000 put is no question as to the proper its. Our teachers are well paid, the county ranking with the best in tto our store, where you will get point of salary and length of term, and first as to local support and grade of teachers. Stip we are not We study our business and try content, and are looking forward to to give our customers the benefit the construction of good roads, and of our study, thus insuring the vrey when we get them we will add the rural high school.

Our enrollment and attandance in our rural schools is above average and no complaint to make. Last, but not least, many of our schools are equipped with the Farn and Ranch library.

Our farmers are fast learning the importance of growing more feed and less cotton. Many are giving marked attention to the improving of their livestock, and some are awakening to the value of thoroughbred stuff, especially is this true of hogs and poultry. The latter show decided advance, as our country will ship by the close of the present season, 5000 cases of eggs.

We are shipping considerable liv fowls, both for breeding and for ma ket. One of our breeders, Mr. Oscar Pearson, took every prize in his breed (Partridge Wyandotte) at the recent Fort Worth Livestock Show Farm and Ranch.

Your Grocery Trade.

May is the month of flowers, we do not deal in flowers but we hand le up to date groceries and wantt a LowFares part of your grocery trade for this month. We promise a square deal month. We promise a square deal, high class goods, and prompt de-

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Ballinger, Texas.

It Matters Not.

Who is nominated for the next president, but who does your barber work is of vital interest to you and for trains arriving at Gal- We invite you to give us a trial veston before noon of Saturday, whether you live in town orf in the May 25, limited to return Sun-country, our workmen are experien day, May 26, 1912, at approxi- ed, careful, painstaking and cleanmately one-half of the regular ly and we feel sure we can please you. A trial is all we ask.

> The City Barber shop, H. O. RHODES, Manger,

Prof. A. K. Short, recently connected with the Agricultural College at Ames, Iowa has been appointed superintendant of the State Experimental College at Temple.

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TWENTY SECOND ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT

Joe Wilmeth; cashier of the Farn Of Howard Payne Colledge, Brownwood, Texas.

Program.

Tuesday, May 14, 8:30 p. m.-Graduation Expression Recital. Thursday, May 16, 8:30 p. m.-Piano Recital by Miss Lil Elma Mar

Graduation Voice Recital. Saturday, May 18, 8:30 Contest in Declamation.

Tuesday, May 21, p. m.-Recital, Voice Department.

Thursday, May 23, 8:30 p. m.-Recital by Miss Pearl Talbots Pia- beat in the race. Uncle Bill Ad-

Saturday, May 25, 8:30 p. m.—

Sunday, May 26, 11:00 a. m.—Com menement Sermon by Rev. George W. Sheafor of Comanche, Texas. Sunday, May 26, 8:15 p. m.-

Missionary Sermon by Rev. G. W. Sheafor. Monday, May 27, 4:00 p. m.-Al-

umni Business Meeting. Monday, May 27, 8:30 p. m.—Piano Recital.

Tuesday, May 28, 10:00 a. m. Home Coming Program: Tuesday, Afternoon-Auto Ride,

Junior-Sneior Baseball Game. Tuesday: May 28, 8:30 p. m.-Alumni Address by Rev. Hulen Carroll of Navasota, Alumni Banquet. Wednesday, May 29, 10:00 a. m.-

Reduced Railroad Rates May 25-27, limit ten days.

Commencement Exercises.

The Geo F. Schroeder property a house on 9th street a four room house on 10th stree three or four vacant lots, well located, price for all \$5,500.00 no incumbrance, perfect title, will trade for land and assume some debt. This property is clear.

> W. B. PAGE. Ballinger, Texas.

Will Dunlap at Home.

Will Dunlap, who has been in the Halley & Love sanitarium for about two months, was removed to his home on Hutchings Ave., last Saturday. A number of friends called to see him since he has been

Methodist Conference.

at home, and we are glad to re-

port that he is improving.

The Methodist preachers of the Brownwood district, were here a few hours Monday. They were enroute to Bronte where district conference is in session this week. They stopped off here for a short conference and then went overland in autos to Bronte.

More Appendicitis.

Leslie Baker arrived from Marlin first of the week, and went to the sanitarium at this place where he was operated on for appendicitis.

CANDIDATE FOR STATE TREASURER HERE.

J. L. Aston, of Sherman, candidat for State Treasurer, was here last Friday meeting the people, and set ting claim to those votes who do not see fit to favor J. M. Edwards. Mr. Aston said this was Mr. Edward home town and the people no doub would give him their support, which was right, but he said he was passing through and though he would stop off and let the people know he was in the race, and if there were any mavericks here he wanted then Mr. Aston lives in the thickly settled part of the state, and is the man that Mr. Edward will have to ams of Brownwood will not cut Friday, May 24, 8:30 p. m. -In- much ice in the race. This country ter Society Debate and Oratorical out here will go almost solid for Edwards, of course. He lived here for a number of years, and has Entertainment by Expression De- many friends here who will see tha his cause noes not lag.

Big Rabbit Hunt at Crews.

Perhaps the most wholesald slaughter of rabbits ever pulled off in this county is taking place today (Thursday) in the Crews count ry. Many went out from Ballinger to join in the hunt, and help out at the terbecue which is held in connection with the rabbit drive. The candidates are out shooting for votes, and this line some of them will no doubt prove themselves real marksmen.



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