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CONTRACT IS SIGNED

BROWN & CRANMER WILL BUILD NEW OPERA HOUSE FOR \$27,900.

START WORK ON MONDAY

Contract Includes Everything Excepting Scenery and Seats—Thousand Dollars Yet to Be Raised.

The contract for the new opera house has been awarded to Brown & Cranmer at \$27,900. This includes the building, wiring, plumbing, lighting, etc., complete, with the exception of the scenery and seats. Brown & Cranmer filed their bond and the contract was signed late today. The lot will be cleared off at once and the contractors will start work Monday morning. C. W. Bean, chairman of the solicitor's committee, informed a representative of the Times this afternoon that something like \$5,000 had been subscribed for first night seats. The fact that the contract has been awarded does not mean that an effort will not be made to raise the seat sale subscriptions to \$6,000, the sum that is needed.

ALL IN READINESS FOR BIG PICNIC

From present indications nearly one-half the population of Wichita Falls will be out at Lake Wichita tomorrow to attend the Farmers' Union picnic. Most of the stores and business houses will be closed and excursion trains will be run over the Wichita Falls and Southern from this city to the lake. The first train will leave at about 8:30 o'clock and other trains will leave during the morning. Several seining parties are now dragging the lake for fish and will not give up until they make a good haul. It had been planned to have President Neill as one of the speakers on this occasion, but he has been sick for over a week and will not be able to attend. President Barrett of the national organization may be able to get here tomorrow, but this is regarded as doubtful. Other speakers who are certain to be here are Hon. Tom Taylor of Coleman county; Uncle Sam Hampton of Fort Worth and Henry Webb of Baylor county.

DALLAS EXCURSIONISTS

Pay an Unexpected Visit to Wichita Falls, Staying Only Half an Hour.

Due to reach Wichita Falls at 4:47 this morning and with no stop scheduled here, the special train carrying some fifty members of the Dallas Commercial Club was laid out by a freight truck near Ringgold and did not reach this city until nearly 10 o'clock this morning. On account of the early hour scheduled for their arrival and the further fact that no stop was scheduled here, the original plan to switch their special train here from the Katy to the Wichita Valley tracks and proceed westward without delay on their journey down the Valley, no preparation had been made to receive the visitors. However, when the band which accompanied the party marched along the avenue and Seventh street playing a lively air a crowd was attracted and the visitors were shown what hospitality could be extended on such short notice. The special, which consisted of four coaches and a commissary, which was stocked here, remained here nearly one hour and the excursionists upon leaving expressed themselves as glad for their accidental opportunity of stopping in Wichita Falls. A half dozen or more photographers from Dallas newspapers "snap-shotted" everything in sight. It was nearly 11 o'clock when the special pulled out over the Wichita Valley to visit Seymour, Goree, Munn, Weinert, Haskell, Anson and Stamford. The tourists left Dallas on May 11th and had first contemplated a tour covering the greater part of Oklahoma when they reached this city. Last night they were in Lawton, coming to enjoy the Rock Island to Ringgold, and their route to this city was through the M. K. & T. The personnel of the excursion consisted of the heads of various wholesale

and manufacturing establishments of Dallas, who are making the trip to get acquainted with the trade in the section visited. Among the excursionists were: Arch Knight, A. V. Lane, J. W. Shelor, A. I. Stein, O. L. Oldham, A. H. Cleaver, George I. Baldwin, J. E. Ludlow, J. W. Henry, John G. Hunter, R. E. L. Knight, W. R. Styron, S. G. Davis, E. C. Dodson, Henry Dorsey, F. F. Sliney, E. B. Guthrie, W. H. Gaston, J. Howard Ardrey, A. H. Mackenzie, T. W. Griffiths Jr., Louis Lipsitz, John V. Hughes, J. C. Duke, S. D. Duke, J. E. Powers, John McCaffrey, E. L. Pike, L. M. Moyer, "Butts" Metzler, V. E. Armstrong, H. E. Spalti, Otto Herold, W. C. Padgett, Jr., O. F. Davis, H. H. Adams, F. H. Doran, Ed. F. Pittman, C. Z. Magnan, S. E. Moss, E. L. Sanger, Charlie Boll, Dan Sonnentheil, Henry D. Lindsey, George I. Tompkins, C. C. Clark, F. H. Turner, A. P. Tension, Jas. Lyons, R. Liebman, C. A. Singer, F. D. Cochran, W. E. Neal, W. O. Hause.

PRESIDENT'S CONFERENCE WITH GOVERNORS

Washington, D. C., May 14.—The second day's conference at the White House between President Roosevelt and the governors of the various States and territories for the consideration of the question of the conservation of the natural resources of the country, opened this morning. President Roosevelt called the meeting to order, after which he invited Governor Johnson of Minnesota to preside. Possibly the most distinguished of the speakers today was James J. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern railroad, who spoke on "The Natural Wealth of the Land and Its Conservation." Other speakers were Prof. Chamberlain, president of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and R. W. Long of Kansas City, who spoke on "Forest Conservation." A general discussion on the subjects of the addresses was then begun, in which a number participated.

SHAW WILL NOT MAKE RACE.

Message Received From Texarkana Man Says He Will Not Be Candidate for Governor. Special to the Times. Dallas, Tex., May 14.—A dispatch was received here today from N. A. Shaw of Texarkana, saying that he will not run against Chippell for governor.

Three New Cotton Gins.

The Wichita Cotton Oil Company has awarded the contract for three new cotton gins this season. One will be built at Olney, one at Dundee and one at Kell, Oklahoma. It is rumored that this company may erect another gin in this city.

GREAT MEETING OF BAPTISTS OPENS

Hot Springs, Ark., May 14.—Everything is in readiness for convening the sixty-third session of the Southern Baptist Church, which goes into session here this evening. From four to six thousand delegates have already reached the city and every train is adding to this number. Numerous auxiliary bodies held meetings last night and today. The indications are that this meeting will be the most successful ever held in the South by the Baptist church.

JOHNSON WILL ASSIST BRYAN

Washington, D. C., May 13.—Governor John A. Johnson of Minnesota, who is in Washington to attend the conference of governors of States and territories with President Roosevelt at the White House, on the conservation of the country's natural resources, when asked his opinion regarding the political outlook, said: "There seems to be a split in the republican party which no doubt will injure it considerably. I am convinced that the democratic party has an excellent chance of success in the approaching campaign. "Would you support Mr. Bryan if he were nominated?" Governor Johnson was asked. "To be sure," he replied vigorously, "Why not? If the people believe that he can get enough votes for election I will gladly enter the fight and do all in my power for the success of the party. "Will Mr. Bryan support me if I am nominated? I think Mr. Bryan could better answer that question. But I can see no reason why he should not. Like myself, he is desirous of the party's success and I believe that he will support any man selected by the party."

TWENTY-FIVE KILLED

TOWN OF GILLIAM IN LOUISIANA SWEEPED AWAY BY TORNADO YESTERDAY AFTERNOON.

ONE HUNDRED INJURED

Relief Train Sent Out From Shreveport Brings Back Five Bodies and Thirty-One Injured.

By Associated Press. Shreveport, La., May 14.—The relief trains sent to Gilliam last night returned today, bringing five dead bodies and thirty-one injured, all of whom are victims of the tornado which passed over the northern portion of that parish yesterday. Among the dead, so far as learned are— MRS. JOHN GARDNER, MRS. HENRY GODFREY, JOHN SIMPSON, and Eight Negroes. The search for the victims in debris left by the tornado has revealed others. It is believed that the total will reach twenty-five dead and a hundred injured. The entire village of Gilliam was wiped out. Much damage was done in Oil City, Belcher and Black Bayou.

Texas Storm Swept.

Special to the Times. Dallas, Tex., May 14.—Portions of Texas, Oklahoma and Louisiana swept by wind and rain, and reporting property damage by flood, as well as loss of life in storms and by lightning, show the following brief facts: Three children of D. L. Bullock swept down a ravine with their mother, drown while trying to escape storm which struck house, mother narrowly escaping, near Reynolds, in the vicinity of Jacksonville, Texas. Baptists from Texas points en route to Southern convention at Hot Springs delayed by two washouts. Mrs. Tate of Duncan, Okla., returned to her home from the storm cellar to save a pet dog and was probably fatally hurt by the fury of the wind. Paris reports the streams of Lamar county, Texas, swollen, train service interrupted, damage to property from wind, but none killed so far as known up to a late hour.

Red river overflow three miles north of Shreveport, La., washed bodies down stream from a negro cemetery.

Tyler, Texas report that the truck growers in Smith county are facing loss into thousands of dollars; I. and G. N. railroad abandons train service for the day because of washouts; trains expected to run today. At Hardin, near Shawnee, Ok., Mrs. W. H. Brown may die as result of lightning striking her during storm; property damage in that vicinity about \$10,000. Marshall, Texas, reports many well-known artificial lakes ruined because floods caused destruction of embankments; city water plant crippled; farmers suffer untold damages. Waco, Texas, reports Brazos river has risen fifteen feet, after the two-inch rain. Belton reports twelve Mexicans said to have been killed by lightning near Brookhaven, Texas. J. E. Wallis seriously hurt at Callis, near Leonard, Texas. Property loss there heavy, amount not estimated, store and school house wrecked at Valley Mills, near Leonard. Property loss at Grand Prairie \$2500. Hall devastated the cotton crop about Clinton, Hunt county, Texas. Negro killed by lightning at Neyland, Hunt county, Texas. Texas and Pacific, Santa Fe and I. and G. N. railroad train service out of commission by floods causing washouts near Longview, Texas. Mrs. Irby Kenchen and Mrs. Ruby Holland injured in windstorm near Terrell; pupils falling into water barely escape with their lives. Gilliam, Mooringsport and Oil City, La., damaged by storm; many lives reported lost; communication interrupted; reports vague, meager.

Damage in Big Pasture.

The damage done by the windstorm in the Big Pasture yesterday morning appears to have been more serious than was first reported. It is reported that nearly half of the barns in the country about Kell were blown from their foundations and some of them were completely wrecked. A few houses were also damaged, but so far as has been learned no one was injured. A Lawton dispatch yesterday said: "Beginning at 7:40 o'clock this morning and continuing for an hour, Lawton and Comanche county was visited by one of the most severe wind and rain storms in the history of this country. Little damage was done in the city, while telephone messages from smaller outside points indicate considerable damage. Several of the new towns in the Big Pasture were visited by the hardest part of the storm. News from Faxon says that reports coming from south of there indicate many families are homeless and their entire improvements destroyed by the storm. The Bard store, sixteen miles northwest of Lawton, is reported destroyed. No reports of lives lost have been received."

BREWERY WORKERS GO ON A STRIKE

By Associated Press. Kansas City, Mo., May 14.—Eight hundred brewery workers, employed at different breweries in Kansas City, failed to show up for work today, announcing that a strike had been declared. The trouble arises over renewing of the wage contract. McKee is Given a Divorce. By Associated Press. Paris, France, May 14.—The court today granted Hart McKee a divorce, finding that both parties contributed to the unhappiness of the house. Mrs. McKee was given the custody of the children. President Nominates Sanford. By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., May 14.—The president today will send to the senate the nomination of Edward T. Sanford to be United States district judge for the eastern and middle districts of Tennessee. Mr. Sanford is at present an assistant attorney in the department of justice.

BRYAN VS. TAFT SAY MISSOURIANS

New York, May 13.—David R. Francis of Missouri, who has been suggested as a possible harmony candidate for the democratic presidential nomination, is at Hotel Plaza for a few days. "It is a foregone conclusion," said he tonight, "that the opposing candidates will be Taft and Bryan. I don't think that anyone else will stand any chance of being nominated. I know Johnson of Minnesota and like him, but I cannot see where he has any chance in the Denver convention. "I would like to say that my own State, Missouri, will go democratic this fall." Speaking of the business outlook,

Mr. Francis said that he saw many signs of returning prosperity.

Washington, D. C., May 13.—Governor Joseph Folk of Missouri, who is here attending the Governors' conference at the White House, said tonight: "Bryan and Taft will be the democratic and republican nominees for the presidency. In my opinion, the issue will be whether one class in this country shall continue to enjoy special privileges at the expense of all other classes. I believe Mr. Bryan will be elected."

Cannot Cancel Contracts.

Austin, Tex., May 14.—It was disclosed today that neither the governor nor the text book board have the right to cancel contracts with the book publishers, as the agreement gives the board of education this power.

WOUNDS CAUSE MAN'S DEATH.

E. O. West of Knox City Dies of His Injuries. Knox City, Tex., May 13.—E. O. West, a jeweler, who was cut in nine places last Monday, died last night from the wounds. George McMillan, who was released on a \$2,000 bond, was immediately re-arrested and placed in jail at Benjamin.

WALTER PARKER IS DEAD.

One of Wichita County's Wealthiest Farmers Passed Away This Morning. C. H. Vanhorn and E. E. Heiserman came to town this morning from near Iowa Park to purchase a casket for Walter Parker, who died at his home five miles northeast of Iowa Park at 3:30 this morning, his death being caused by a complication of diseases, from which deceased had been a sufferer for the past four months. At his death, Mr. Parker was in his 64th year. He was one of the oldest settlers of Wichita County and was one of the few men who took a prominent part in the organization of the county. He was well known throughout this section of the state, and accumulated by hard work an estate which is now estimated to be worth at a fair valuation between \$75,000 and \$100,000. The greater portion of his holdings are in real estate and stock, and most of it located in Wichita county. The tax rolls of the county for the past several years show that Mr. Parker was the largest individual taxpayer in the county, his property being assessed at about \$40,000. Funeral services will take place from the Parker home at 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The remains will be interred at the Iowa Park cemetery.

FOR LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR.

C. W. Greers Wants to Be a Candidate on Democratic Ticket. Special to the Times. Dallas, Tex., May 14.—State Chairman Carden today received the application of C. W. Greers of Denton county for a place on the democratic ticket as lieutenant governor.

COMMENCEMENT.

The annual commencement exercises of the Wichita Falls High School will be held in the Baptist church at 8:30 o'clock Friday night. There are five graduates in the class of 1908. They are Ruby Morris, Geoffrey Shaw, Lena Gardner, Carol Smith and Mae Kiel. The class flower is the white carnation. The colors are purple and gold and the class motto is "Here Ends Our First Lesson." The program of the commencement exercises is as follows: Music—High School orchestra. Invocation. Greeting chorus—Class. Salutatory—The Great West—Geoffrey Shaw. Piano Solo—Ruby Morris. Glass history and prophecy—Lena Gardner. Essay—Our Debt to Antiquity—Mae Kiel. Piano duet—Ruby Morris and Lena Gardner. Oration—"Value of Athletics in High Schools"—Carol Smith. Music—High School Orchestra. Valedictory—"Joan of Arc"—Ruby Morris. Conferring diplomas of honor—Principal, H. A. Fairchild. Presenting diplomas—Superintendent E. O. McNew. Good Night Chorus—Class. Benediction.

Man Claimed He Was Robbed.

A man giving his name as W. O. New and claiming Haskell as his home, reported to the police last night that he had been knocked down between the Denver station and the Block rooming house and robbed of about five dollars in money. New was intoxicated and could not tell a connected story of the alleged robbery. Upon investigation the officers found that he had been engaged in a fight with a young man named Finley. The latter produced witnesses who stated that New had been the aggressor and that he had not been robbed. However, Finley was placed under arrest until the case could be more thoroughly investigated. A hearing will be had in the case this afternoon.

The county commissioners have allowed bills and are now dividing their time between checking the tax collector's report and the consideration of road matters.

THEY WILL NOT BOLT

THREAT OF BRYAN MEN TO BOLT MINNESOTA CONVENTION LOSES FORCE.

WILL ENDORSE JOHNSON

Platform, However, Will Express Confidence in Bryan's Integrity and Ability.

By Associated Press.

St. Paul, Minn., May 14.—The democratic State convention met here today for the purpose of selecting delegates at large and district delegates to the democratic national convention at Denver. The probabilities before the convention was called to order were that it would last through the greater part of the day. The threat of the Bryan men to bolt and hold a convention of their own seems to have lost considerable of its force during the last 48 hours. It is certain that none of the contesting delegates will be seated. It was decided today to insert the name of Bryan in the platform by declaring that while the democrats of Minnesota had an affection for him and possess confidence in his integrity and ability, they favor Johnson as a man who is equally worthy and who gives greater promise of successful candidacy.

VOTE TO CONSIDER VREELAND BILL

Washington, D. C., May 14.—The house today adopted the rule for the consideration of the Vreeland currency bill by a vote of 174 to 146. Democrats voted solidly against it and were supported by fifteen republicans.

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WHAT IS EXPECTED

PASTOR SMOKED UNTIL TIME HE ENTERED THE MINISTRY.

HE ENJOYED BILLIARDS

Noted New York Pastor Expresses Liberal Views on the Amusement Question.

- ◆ YOUNG MAN'S CONDUCT ◆
- ◆ IF CHURCH MEMBER. ◆
- ◆ May he play cards and billiards? ◆
- ◆ May he attend the theatre? ◆
- ◆ May he drink wine? ◆
- ◆ May he dance? ◆
- ◆ May he smoke? ◆

In cases of neglect of duties of any kind, imprudent conduct, indulging in sinful tempers or words, the buying, selling or using of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, signing petitions in favor of granting license for the sale of intoxicating liquors, becoming bondsmen for persons engaged in such traffic, renting property as a place in or on which to manufacture or sell intoxicating liquors, dancing, playing at games of chance, attending theatres, horse races, circuses, dancing parties or patronizing dancing schools, or taking such other amusements as are obviously misleading of questionable tendency, or disobedience to the order and discipline of the church—first, let private reproof be given by the pastor or leader, and if there be an acknowledgment of the fault, and proper humiliation, the person may be borne with. On the second offense the pastor or leader may take one or two discreet members of the church. On the third offense let him be brought to trial, and if found guilty and there be no sign of humiliation, he shall be expelled.

Methodists are again face to face with the problem of the Young Person. Shall youths and maidens be permitted to dance, to go to the theatre and to join in the amusements of the world without endangering their spiritual life and bringing upon themselves the condemnation of the elders?

The question expressed in the form of overtures from various sections of the denomination, will come up before the general conference of the church, which met Wednesday in Baltimore.

That there is a strong tendency against the keeping on the statutes of the church drastic prohibitions against certain diversions is evident everywhere, and recently the New York conference adopted a resolution asking for the repeal of Section No. 248, about which the controversy has waged for years.

Theoretically, at least, the Methodist church is as much opposed to the giving of undue prominence to the amusements of the world as ever, but that leaders are beginning to recognize that the subject of recreation requires more study and attention than has hitherto been given it and that the time is at hand when new conditions must be met.

Methodism came into being when there was a reaction in England against the frivolity of the times. The church was founded in 1739 to use the words of the discipline, when "eight or ten persons who appeared to be deeply convinced of sin and earnestly groaning for redemption" went to John Wesley in London to advise with him how they might "free from the wrath to come." It is set forth, therefore, that all those who wish to continue in the way shall continue to evidence their desire for salvation.

Slave holding, fighting, quarreling, usury, unprofitable conversation and such things were positively forbidden by the church. The whole Methodist attitude toward the world, however, is clearly expressed by John Wesley and those associated with him in the founding of the church in the simple words in which the prohibition is expressed.

"Doing what is not for the glory of God, as—
"The putting on of gold and costly apparel.
"The taking of such diversions as cannot be taken in the name of the Lord Jesus.

"The singing of those songs or the reading of those books which do not tend to the knowledge and the love of God."
Strict as were the Wesleyan rules, they never expressly prohibited the diversions later specified in section No. 248.

A chapter of advice was adopted which is simply admonition, and is begun with the statement that "improper amusements and excessive indulgence in innocent amusements are serious barriers to the beginning of the religious life and fruitful causes of spiritual decline." It is therefore suggested that the members of the church give due thought to their diversions and not make them merely the subjects of accident or taste or unguided inclinations, but that they rather apply "to their choice of their amusements a thoughtful and instructed conscience."

"It is the duty of every person who takes up the religious life," said the Rev. Dr. Goodell of Calvary Methodist Episcopal church, "to make the most of himself. I remember some years ago meeting two young men converts at the altar. 'Mr. Goodell,' asked one of them, 'if I join the church will I have to give up dancing, card playing and the theatre?' It seemed to me discouraging that a young man at the very beginning of his profession should have such a question as that uppermost in his mind.

and there are many other subjects in which I will find means of occupying my time."

"I wish that I might have changed the point of view of the first young man. It is the duty of everyone to make the most of himself in every way. If he does not be surely will fall behind in the race of life.

"It is easy enough to apply the test to amusements. Many practices that are innocent enough in themselves cause us to set a bad example to others. I know many godly and noble men who are smokers, yet the law of our church forbids its ministers to use tobacco. The candidate for the ministry is always asked if he uses tobacco in any form. I smoked when I was in college and gave up the habit when I entered the ministry.

"If the minister smokes he sets an example which may result in the boys and young men of his congregation adopting a habit which may prove harmful to them. Certainly no one could say there is anything harmful in playing billiards, but, unfortunately, the same is often linked with evil associations.

"When I was a student for the ministry I was very fond of the amusement, and one day I met a fellow student and he said he wished we could have a game of billiards. We were then in Boston and we started out to find a place where we could play. We went to a dozen or so and did not find one where liquor was not sold or the surrounding were unobjectionable.

"I do not mean to say that there were no places in Boston where the conditions were desirable, but we did not happen to find them. No Christian could have played in such places. In recent years, however, some of the church clubs have set up billiard and pool tables in their rooms.

"I do not care to go into an opinion on the subject of dancing, but surely it must be admitted that young girls should not be permitted to go unchaperoned to public dance halls and there dance with anybody who may happen to be there. Yet there are such places, and many of them in Harlem. Certainly such amusements as this cannot be countenanced by Christians.

"Some men are able to have wine on their tables and to hold themselves in such perfect control that they are in no danger whatever of yielding to over-indulgence in intoxicating drink. As a clergyman in the Methodist church, however, I consider it my duty to refrain from drinking wines because it would be regarded as setting a bad example.

"And, by the way, it seems to me that every Christian should in the choice of his diversions and amusements consider the question of the effect that his acts might have upon others. Card-playing in itself is an innocent enough amusement, but the young men and women of the Methodist church must consider to what it is likely to lead.

"May it not develop a love of play which is excessive and will eventually lead to race track betting and other objectionable forms of gambling? The same rule must be applied to the going to theatres as to everything else in the way of amusements. I would leave such matters to the individual conscience.

"In connection with the use of the subject I was recently placed in a false light before the community. There was a young woman singing in the choir of Calvary church who was also connected with a chorus in one of the theatres. I was not aware of the fact and knew nothing of it until she came to my house one morning and told me she had received an anonymous note to the effect that owing to the fact that she sang in a chorus her presence was not desired in the choir."

"I told her to pay no attention to the note and told her that as far as I was concerned she could remain in the choir as long as she wished.

"She had hardly left my house before the telephone bell began to ring and I was besieged with inquiries from the newspapers concerning her. I was even quoted as saying I did not believe that a person could be a Christian and yet remain on the stage. I never expressed such a view. Had she been a relative of mine I would have strongly advised her not to remain in comic opera chorus, but as to taking so narrow a view, as has been attributed to me, I would not stand in the way of anyone who came to church for the purpose of taking part in the religious exercises. If, however, the idea uppermost in the mind of such a person was self-advertisement rather than sincere worship my view would be different.

"I think that much in the present vaudeville performances does not conform to high ideals, and I do not think young men and women who wish to lead Christian lives should seek such entertainments.

"The Methodist church is trying to do all that it can to point out that the amusements are secondary in the Christian life, and that they must not interfere with its members attaining the highest ideals, and, in short, with their making the most of themselves."

Those who have followed the situation in the Methodist church believe that the opposition to the repeal of section No. 248 will largely come from the west.

Mr. Hearst is not the first man to make the discovery that fusion in politics is a mistake. Mr. Bryan has made that discovery, and it is safe to assert in advance that the Denver convention is not going to make a compromise by nominating a democrat for the head of the ticket and a populist for the tail. There may be no chance for a democratic presidential victory this year, but the chances would be less were the party to make the mistake it did when it attempted to fuse with the populists.

Worldly Amusements and Methodism.

Editor of the Times:

After reading the article in Friday's Times entitled "What Present Day Methodism is Expecting of the Young Person," and knowing how that this same article has put the church in a false light in other communities, being the official representative of this great body in this city, I feel it my duty to give to the public the real attitude of the church in this question.

There is not enough sentiment in either the laity or the ministry of the church against section 248 of the discipline to attract even the attention of the church press. While one of the New York conferences took some action recommending the rewording of the section, they never had the remotest idea of taking away any of its force. Last Wednesday our general conference met for a three weeks session in the city of Baltimore. While the delegates are assembling there from every quarter of the globe in what is the mightiest-law-making body on the face of the earth, being composed of duly elected delegates from every State and Nation in the world, there will not be a single man or woman there that will raise a hand against this section.

The question of worldly amusements was forever settled when this section of the discipline was drafted at the suggestion of John Wesley at the organization of the Methodist Episcopal church in 1784, based, as every other part of the discipline is, on the Holy Scripture. At the last general conference held in Los Angeles four years ago, one party was foolishly enough to suggest the "letting down of the bars" against theatres, dancing and card playing; and immediately our great hosts of young people from all over the world poured such a flood of cablegrams, messages and petitions upon the conference, that the world might know the question should be reversed to read as follows: "What the Young People Demand (not expect) of Methodism."

Thank God, there is a mighty host of young people coming up from every Methodist Episcopalian home from every clime, reared around the family altar, schooled in the sacred principles of the primitive Christian church, the holy scripture and the faith of the fathers, that have had the courage of their convictions to refuse to do or say anything that cannot be said or done in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The church was called into being to spread Scriptural holiness throughout the earth, and every Christian knows that the Holy Ghost cannot dwell in the heart of a person that wastes their time and abuses their physical being with liquor, cards, theatres, dancing or any other diversion that is out of harmony with those Christian activities that stand for the development of the "Highest Testament Standard of Experience in Life."

We do not desire to deprive our young people of the innocent pleasure that is so necessary to the unfolding and joy of the young life, yet we will ever warn and guard them from those things that do not tell of the Kingdom of Heaven.

The writer is a young man and enters heartily into the joys and sympathies of youth, but while we breathe into our lives the beauty of this world, let us build character for that more beautiful and joyous eternity that knows no end. R. E. FARLEY, Pastor of First Methodist Episcopal Church.

New Railroads Through West Texas.

St. Louis, Mo., May 11.—A special dispatch to the Globe-Democrat from Austin says:

It has developed as a result of the visit to Texas of Gen. G. M. Dodge of New York, chairman of the executive board of the Colorado and Southern railroad, that the Yoakum-Hawley interests which control that property, have in contemplation the building of a new north and south line in this State, which is to serve as a feeder for the main line between Fort Worth and Denver. This road is to be an extension of the Colorado and Southern branch line which now runs south from Wichita Falls to Abilene, Texas, a distance of about 150 miles. It has been decided by B. F. Yoakum and associates that the line will be extended south from Abilene to Uvalde, where connection will be made with the Southern Pacific. From Uvalde the new line will run southeast to a connection with the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico at Sam Fordyce. The distance between Abilene and Uvalde is about 200 miles and between Uvalde and Sam Fordyce is about 225 miles, making a total proposed line of about 425 miles, which is to be built as soon as the financial arrangements can be made.

Col. Dodge is a veteran railroad builder. He was at the head of the construction forces which built the Texas and Pacific, the International and Great Northern and the Colorado and Southern through Texas. He has been in the State for some time, making a careful investigation of the territory and probable traffic that will be afforded the proposed line. He visited Uvalde, where the new line will cross the Southern Pacific, and obtained valuable data bearing on the project. The route of the proposed line runs 150 miles west of any existing north and south railroad in Texas. It will traverse a territory that is rapidly settling up with farmers and which is now almost entirely lacking in railroad transportation facilities.

It has been frequently stated by Mr. Yoakum that that portion of western Texas through which this new line is to run is the most inviting field for railroad building that exists today in the United States. Col. Dodge fully agrees with him in this opinion.

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TO FIGHT PROHIBITION.

Liquor Men Enlist Support of Business Men in Fight.

The Times has received a copy of a communication in which the North Texas Business Men's Democratic Anti-State Prohibition Committee requests John L. Wortham to assume the management of a campaign against the movement for State prohibition and also a copy of Mr. Wortham's letter of acceptance, inclosed with the following:

"To the democracy of Texas: We believe that the laws of Texas regulating the liquor traffic form a basis for the most enlightened system of correcting the evils of the traffic yet devised, and that in their eventual perfection will be found the best and most satisfactory solution of this vexatious problem.

"We declare our approval of the local option system, because it guarantees to the county and the subdivisions of the county the right of local self-government; and our approval of the principal of the Baskin-McGregor regulation law, because in its enforcement the orderly regulation of the liquor traffic is guaranteed to the law-abiding community where local option does not prevail, and where it is not desired by a majority of the qualified voters; hence we stand opposed to a general State prohibition election or the submission of a constitutional amendment.

"1. Because it will but revive a controversy dangerous to the peace and business welfare of the State, and which was decided by a vote of our people in 1887, which vote established the prohibition status of this State to be that of local option.

"2. Because the experience of Texas under a system of regulation of the liquor traffic, of which the Baskin-McGregor law is a part, has demonstrated not alone that the traffic can be controlled and regulated, but that a regulated traffic is infinitely preferable to a surreptitious traffic.

"3. Because it is desirable at this time, when the State is struggling against conditions that have suspended its commercial and industrial activities and has filled the stoutest optimist with apprehension, to effect a return to the happy and prosperous period that was so harshly interrupted by the recent panic, and it seems to us to be the patriotic duty of every thoughtful citizen to turn his back upon any agitation or controversy that, in the very nature of things, must plunge the State into a turmoil as fierce as any inter-neighborly quarrel that has ever threatened the peace of the State, or that tends to array county against county, community against community, citizen against citizen or neighbor against neighbor.

"We therefore call upon the democrats of the State of Texas to join us and give us their aggressive and unmitigated support in protest against this movement that will embroil the State in a fierce controversy that will destroy its tranquility and will delay indefinitely the return of peace and prosperity."

Prohibition Issue Certain.

Stirling P. Strong, chairman of the prohibition submission committee, says the submission of the prohibition issue at the coming democratic primaries is now assured beyond all chance of doubt, as petitions already have more than 29,000 signatures. Thousands more will be obtained, however, according to Mr. Strong.

"The petitions are still being circulated," he said. "We want to get as many signatures from every section of the State as possible before going before the democratic executive committee, in order to show the politicians of the State how strong the prohibition sentiment is in Texas.

"We have until June 4 to present the petition to the democratic executive committee, and as it will comply with the statutes, they will have to submit the prohibition issue to the democratic voters. I think there is no doubt about the result of the primary election as far as that issue is concerned. We are directing most of our attention to county organization now. I am elated over conditions.

"A prohibition rally will be held in Dallas, Fort Worth or Waco, June 15. The name of the city in which the rally will be held will be announced by the executive committee later. It has not yet been definitely decided."



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[Those having friends or relatives visiting in or out of the city will confer a favor by reporting same to the Times. Phone—Office, 167, residence, 111.—Editor]

THE OLNEY LOT SALE

VERITABLE WATER SPOUT WAS TOO MUCH FOR THE ENTHUSIASM OF THE BIDDERS.

ONLY A FEW LOTS SOLD

Country About Olney is of Great Fertility and Rich Coal Deposits Lie Close to the Town.

The lot sale at Olney yesterday was attended by a large crowd, and while the excursionists were buffeted by howling winds and were soaked and chilled and bedraggled by a water-spray until they had most all the enthusiasm washed out of them, they had an opportunity to see in the vicinity of this coming agricultural meadows of Young county some of the best lands as can be found anywhere in the broad domain of Texas. The customer wedged in between the deluge and a recent following of fatal showers long enough to sell about \$1,000 worth of lots, and give away three lots in a drawing contest, and then he reluctantly surrendered the case into the damp and clammy hands of Jupiter Pluvius and left it to the contending elements. One of the three lots given away was drawn by a little boy, and the expression upon his beaming countenance showed that he was just as rich as he wanted to be.

Clods at this time in the beautiful Olney country are as good as the best, and the people are contented and prosperous. The town lays within the rich delta of the Brazos river and rests up-

on the very rim of the richest and most extensive coal field in the Southwest. It is 44 miles south of Wichita Falls, is surrounded by the only extensive and unbroken body of really good agricultural land anywhere on the route after you leave the southern line of Wichita county.

Some 20 miles south of Olney, on the new extension of the Wichita Falls & Southern railway, the breaks of the Brazos are reached, and here in the vicinity of Old Fort Belknap a mining town will be established, and coal will be the main source of its wealth, because a majority of the land is rough and unsuited for farming. The same conditions prevail largely from the Brazos on through Stephens and Eastland counties along the proposed route of the railroad to its prospective terminus at Cisco. Therefore, it follows that the Olney country is the banner agricultural section of this entire region embracing three counties, and it will be called upon to see the remainder of the line where a swarming hive of humanity will be expending its undivided energy delving for coal, the black diamond of commerce, which is destined to pour a volume of riches into this country beyond the dreams of even those who think they know the full extent of its mineral wealth.

The entire region along this route will prosper and develop by leaps and bounds, but Olney at this time has a long lead in the race and is sure to become in a short time a city of importance and a source of large opportunity for making money. The town already has about 500 population and is growing rapidly.

It is a very conservative estimate that every lot which was bought at the sale yesterday will double in value within sixty days.

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With as favorable a season for cotton raising as that of last year, the acreage that has already been and will be planted to cotton in Wichita county this year warrants the estimate that 18,000 or 20,000 bales of cotton will be produced in Wichita county this year. In addition to cotton, it is now assured that there will be a reasonably fair small grain crop. Everything considered, Wichita county farmers were never better off than now in the way of crops, and if the price holds up they will realize handsomely on their year's work.

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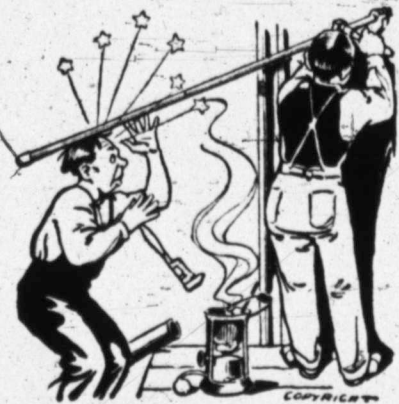
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EIGHT CANDIDATES INITIATED.

District Deputy Darling A Visitor at Elks' Meeting Last Night.

Wichita Falls Lodge No. 1105, B. P. O. E., last night held one of the most enjoyable sessions the lodge has had since its installation. A class of eight candidate were initiated, after which a social session was held.

The new Elks were G. W. Byers of Byers, A. E. Brice, W. A. Bennett, A. Power, W. E. Odom, T. S. White, C. E. Johnson and P. H. Sanford of Seymour. A number of Elks from Abilene, Fort Worth, Temple and Gainesville were in attendance and at the social session District Deputy Darling, who was on his return to his home at Temple, after presiding at the installation of the new lodge at Childress, made a congratulatory talk.

Wind Storm at Kell.

The wind and rain storm of this morning proved quite severe at Kell, Okla., and reports from that place at the Northwestern railway office say that the gin was partially unroofed and a number of smaller structures were blown from their foundations.

ODD THINGS IN A DAY'S NEWS.

At Stirling, Ill., two brothers married two sisters and the wedding was attended by four mothers and four fathers and thirty-five brothers and sisters.

Rather than be parted from her fiancé during the summer, Miss Hazel Briggs of Middletown, Ind., boarded a moving train and joined Glenn Talt, her lover, going with him to Chicago, where the pair were married.

Wilmer Caudt of Allentown, Pa., violated the State game law by caring for three young rabbits he found in a nest and was fined \$38.25.

A performing bear was locked up in a police station at Shamokin, Pa., on the charge of being drunk and was released the next morning when sober.

A divorce, a wedding and a breach of promise suit, all within three weeks, was the experience of S. J. Mead, a railroad conductor of Kansas City.

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ATTORNEY HAS A TALK WITH YOUTH ACCUSED OF GUINNESS CRIMES.

SUSPECT IS ARRESTED

Woman Taken in Charge By Syracuse Police is Not Mrs. Guinness.

Believes Mrs. Guinness Still Alive.
South Bend, Ind., May 9.—A special to the Tribune from La Porte today says that Harry Long, for two terms coronor of La Porte county, and who assisted in the post mortem examination over the body supposed to be that of Mrs. Guinness, declared today that the remains are positively not those of the arch murderess. He states that the body in the morgue is that of a woman who weighs at least fifty pounds less than Mrs. Guinness. He believes that Mrs. Guinness is still alive.

Suspect Arrested at Syracuse, N. Y.
Syracuse, N. Y., May 9.—The woman arrested here as Mrs. Guinness of La Porte, Ind., has regular teeth, but one is gold crowned. The tooth is a molar on the left side. The La Porte description of Mrs. Guinness states that her upper teeth are heavily plated with gold. The suit case which the woman said contained maple sugar was found to be filled with woman's apparel.

Woman Arrested is Not Mrs. Guinness.
Syracuse, N. Y., May 9.—The police say that the woman arrested here is not Mrs. Guinness. She gave her name as Mrs. L. A. Herron of Chicago and is accompanied by a woman whom she claims to be her mother.

Demands Interview With Accused.
La Porte, Ind., May 9.—H. W. Worden, counsel for Ray Lamphere, accused of having caused the death of Mrs. Guinness and three children, it is said will file action in the court this morning with the object of compelling the authorities to abandon the policy of keeping Lamphere in seclusion.

A possible explanation of the refusal of the sheriff to allow Worden to see the prisoner is that he seems willing to break silence and the authorities fear that if Worden confers with him silence will again enshroud the prisoner. Many witnesses are being interviewed by the prosecuting officers and at least two more have been subpoenaed. This brings the present list of witnesses to twenty-one.

Mr. Worden, attorney for Lamphere, was later admitted to the jail and held a conference of an hour with the prisoner. He strongly denied that Lamphere wished to make a confession and also that a trunk had been found, containing letters from Mrs. Guinness.

Twelve Bodies Exhumed.
The total number of bodies now exhumed is twelve and a total of eight deaths can be directly traced to the farm of mystery. The first theory that she perished in the fire which destroyed her home, is being rapidly dispelled. There are many tangible reasons for this. First, the body was headless and no trace of the missing head can be found anywhere.

Equally important is the fact that the body found with those of the children is much smaller than that of Mrs. Guinness. In life it could not have weighed more than 130 pounds, while Mrs. Guinness weighed more than 200 and was much taller.

Neighbors say that the body taken from the ruins does not in any way resemble that of Mrs. Guinness. Furthermore, the clothing bore no blood stains, while the clothing of the children was saturated with blood.

The belief grows that the decapitated woman had been dead several days before the fire. The band ring found in the ruins would be much too small for Mrs. Guinness and there is no trace of her teeth, which were strongly marked by gold fillings. Fire would destroy neither teeth nor the fillings, at least a fire that left the clothing practically intact.

One Theory Falls.
The theory started today that the Guinness farm was owned by a physician and bodies buried by him, is dispelled by the fact that several of the bodies are comparatively fresh, three of them positively identified by relatives, while the physician relinquished the farm more than a quarter of a century ago. The disintegration of the bodies so far discovered is not due to age, but to the use of quick lime. Just a few days before the fatal fire, a young woman, whose description answers that of the body found in the ruins, was seen driving with Mrs. Guinness. No one knew her, and she was seen but once.

Looking for Providence Man.
Efforts are now being made to learn the identity of a man supposed to have come from Providence, R. I., in response to a matrimonial advertisement, and also an Ohio man who drove from La Porte to the Guinness farm and never was seen again. The officials also are trying to clear up the mysterious disappearance of three farm hands employed by Mrs. Guinness. These men were Olaf Lindbom, aged 35, came from Wisconsin three years ago, worked on the farm from March to July. Disappeared at night. Announced by Mrs. Guinness that he had returned to Norway.

Eric Gerhalt, aged 40, also from Wisconsin, following Lindbom, worked for Mrs. Guinness five months. Disappeared at night. Left his trunk and costly overcoat, which Mrs. Guinness afterward wore.

Unknown man, presumably from

Ohio, aged about 50 years, came to the farm after Gerhalt disappeared. He also dropped out during the harvest time, leaving a horse and buggy, which Mrs. Guinness claimed she paid for.

Mrs. Guinness' Letters.
The authorities have opened communication with many persons who received letters from Mrs. Guinness, inviting them to the farm. Her statements in some of these letters were: "You will find it so pleasant here that you will never leave."

Seek Not Your Own Interests.
By Count Leo Tolstoy.
You live—that is, you are born, grow mature, grow old, and then you die. Is it possible that the aim of your life can be in yourself? Certainly not. How then? man asks himself. What then am I? And the only answer is: I am something that loves, at first, its seems, something loving only itself, but one need only live a little and think a little to see that to love the self which passes through life and dies, is impossible and purposeless.

I felt that I ought to love, and I love myself. But, loving myself, I cannot but feel that the object of my love is unworthy of it; yet not to love is impossible for me. In love is life.

What is to happen? To love others—one's neighbors, friends and those who love us? At first it seems that will satisfy the demands of love, but all these people are in the first place imperfect, and, secondly, they change, and, above all, they die.

What is one to love? The only answer is: Love all love the source of love, love God. Love not for the sake of the loved one, nor for one's self, but for love's sake.

It is only necessary to understand this, and at once all the evil of life disappears, and its meaning becomes clear and joyful.

"Yes," people say, "that would be well. What could be better? It would be well to love and live for love, if all would live so. But how can I live for love, and give all to others, while others live for themselves, for their bodies?"

What will become of me, and not of me alone, but of my family, and those I love and cannot help loving? Love has long been talked about, but no one follows this advice, and it is impossible to follow it. To yield one's life to love would only then be possible, if all men suddenly, by some miracle, changed their worldly, bodily life for a spiritual, divine life. But the miracle does not occur, and therefore it is all unpractical talk.

So say those who soothe themselves in their false accustomed ways, of life. They say this, but in the depths of their souls they know they are wrong. They know these reflections to be untrue. They are untrue, because only for the advantage of the worldly, bodily life it is necessary that people should all suddenly change their life, but not for the spiritual life—the love of God and man.

The loving man alone does not perish non-loving, or, if he perishes among men, as Christ perished on the cross, then his death is joyful to himself and important to others, not despairing and insignificant, as is the death of worldly people.

So the excuse that I do not yield myself to love, because not everyone does the same, and I should be left alone, is both incorrect and bad. It is as though the man who ought to work to feed himself and his children were not to begin because others were not working.

One cannot know whether anything is good or bad, unless one tests it in life. A farmer is told that it is good to sow rye in rows, or a beekeeper that it is good to use frame hives, a reasonable farmer or beekeeper will experiment to find out whether what he has been told is true, and he will follow or not follow the advice, according to the degree to which his experiment succeeds.

So it is with the whole business of life. To know surely in how far the doctrine of love is applicable—try it. Make the experiment and you will see how, instead of a surly, angry and depressed condition, you will be bright merry and joyous.

JOURNALIST SUICIDES.

Well Known Chicago Writer Ends Life at Hot Springs.
Hot Springs, Ark., May 9.—Charles Matthias, a journalist of prominence and for a number of years an editorial writer on the Chicago Chronicle and recently on the staff of the Chicago American committed suicide at a local hotel here today. Matthias was suffering from nervous troubles.

FOUL PLAY SUSPECTED.

Tulsa, Okla., Man is Missing and His Friends are Alarmed.
Tulsa, Ok., May 9.—John Foster of the Tulsa Packing Company, went to Bennington, Okla., some time ago and has not been heard from. Foster carried a large sum of money and it is believed that he met with foul play. The officers are tracing him.

Cruelly Beaten.

From Saturday's Dandy.
A dispatch from Graham says that shortly before daylight yesterday, C. C. Mills of Throckmorton and his son, Arthur Mills, were beaten into insensibility, the elder man receiving wounds which it is believed will prove fatal. The assault was made at a ranch house in the vicinity of Belknap, where the two men were sleeping. The son was awakened by the attack upon his father and when he attempted to arise he was set upon in the darkness by the assassins.

Help was summoned from Belknap and a posse was organized to hunt down the assassins.

WEATHERFORD EMBARRASSED.

Cason Hanging to Take Place During Press Association Meeting.
Weatherford Herald.

The fact that the Texas Press Association is to be in Weatherford on Friday, May 22, and the hanging of James B. Cason is scheduled for the same day is causing considerable embarrassment to our people, and a way out of the situation is being eagerly sought.

Members of the Twentieth Century Club took the matter up with Judge Patterson, who sentenced Cason to be executed on that day, in an effort to have him postpone the hanging for one week. But Judge Patterson says he is powerless to act, and such postponement can only be made by the governor of the State.

It is probable that an appeal will be made to the governor by leading citizens of the city to postpone Cason's execution one week, in order that the visiting newspaper men may not feel that the city of Weatherford pulled off a hanging for their special dejection.

As a matter of fact, however, if Cason is hanged, it will probably be about 1 o'clock in the afternoon, about two hours before the arrival of the newspaper men in the city. They will come in on the train that arrives from Mineral Wells about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, and the execution of Cason should be over long before that time. Our people feel the embarrassment of the situation very keenly, however, and desire to avoid the threatened contingency if there is any legitimate manner in which it may be accomplished.

German Prince Arrested.

Berlin, Germany, May 8.—Prince Eulenburg was today placed under arrest, the crown prosecutor taking that step on the testimony given by two men at the prince's bedside, to the effect that the prince had been guilty of a wrongful action with them twenty-five years ago.

Crew Safely Landed.

New York, May 8.—The crew of the stranded German ship Rickmers, and the wreckers on board, seventy-two in all, were safely landed shortly after 4 o'clock this morning. The stern of the Rickmers was knocked off by the seas.

TO ANSWER COL. WYNNE.

Gerald Demands Right to Reply to Him at Waco.

Waco, Tex., May 8.—Judge G. B. Gerald in a newspaper card today demanded the right to answer Col. R. M. Wynne when he speaks before the Merchants' Association here on May 15th. Attorney General Davidson has been invited, but may not attend.

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Wichita Falls, Texas, May 15th, 1908.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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- For County Judge: M. F. YEAGER
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- For County Tax Assessor: W. J. BULLOCK, J. P. JONES.
- For Constable, Precinct No. 1: PETE RANDOLPH.
- For County Attorney: T. B. GREENWOOD.

The demand for residence or rent houses has not diminished. On the contrary, there are more people hunting houses in Wichita Falls today than ever before. Parties who have idle capital cannot do better than to buy lots and build houses on them for rent. Every new house that is going up now has from one to a dozen applications to rent. The scarcity of rent houses has been the cause in several instances of extortionate rentals, and there is nothing that will so soon and so effectively disgust prospective home-seekers with a town as the practice of extortion for the necessities of life. The company organized some time ago for the development of Wichita Falls, it occurs to the Times, could find a fine opportunity for the investment of a part of its capital stock in the building of a few neat cottages.

That there will be an effort made to commit the democratic party of Texas to prohibition is a settled fact, but it will fail and should. The regulation of the liquor traffic is a moral, and not a political question, and is one that every citizen should be entitled to a vote on. Next year, in all probability the State legislature will submit to a vote of the people an amendment to the State constitution prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors, and that will be the proper way to settle the matter. Many who voted against local option did so for the reason that the county adjoining licensed the sale of liquor, and therefore argued that it would be doing their own town and county an injustice by driving trade away from it. State prohibition will do away with that argument, and if those who voted against local option for reasons set out above are consistent they will vote for State prohibition when the time comes or resort to an entirely different argument by saying that one county or section of the State should not be permitted to govern the will or public sentiment of another county or section of the State. If the movement to submit an amendment for State prohibition of the liquor traffic is submitted next year, there is good reason to believe that it will carry by a large majority.

A Cleveland, Ohio, dispatch, following the passage of the street car ordinance tells of the celebration of Mayor Tom Johnson's victory in this way: "For the first time in the history of this city street car service was absolutely free today, not a fare being rung up on any car within the city limits. This action was decided upon late last night after the papers had been finally signed, ending the long street car war. In order that the occasion might be duly commemorated, it is proposed to celebrate the same date each year with free street car service. The entire street railway system of the city was today operated by the Municipal Traction Company, the new holding company. It was announced this after-

noon that the three-cent rate of fare will go into effect tomorrow instead of at the expiration of ten days, as had been previously planned. It was also announced today that all the conductors and motormen employed on the old Cleveland Electric railway lines will receive an increase of one cent an hour in order to put them on the same wage basis as the men employed on the other lines taken over by the holding company. About three thousand men will be affected by the increase."

MURDER THE MOSQUITOES.

It is to be hoped that the time may come when it will not be necessary to discuss so homely a topic as mosquito destruction, but the present is no time to be silent about it. It is proper to say, therefore, that the people of Houston should not delay the usual summer campaign against mosquitoes. The mosquitoes are here—all varieties from the *segonia fasciata* down and it is important to adopt the usual device to get rid of them.

There is no longer any doubt among well informed people that mosquitoes are disseminators of virulent fevers, especially yellow jack and malaria, and it is necessary to get rid of them for two reasons: First, to preserve the health of the public; second, to avoid the loss and annoyance which results from quarantines after the presence of yellow fever has been discovered.

The yellow fever mosquito—the fellow with the yellow stripes around his body and legs—usually breeds in cisterns or other places where there is clear standing water. He doesn't get far away from home and if the cistern is thoroughly screened or the places where clear water stands are oiled, his career will be brief in the community, but in order to get the best results it is necessary for every citizen to take these precautions.

The malaria mosquito breeds in the ditches, of which there are a number in Houston. Every ditch should be treated with oil at intervals and every pool should be drained and the depression treated with lime. Avoid having standing water of any character about your premises, screen your cisterns and see that pitchers of water are not left in the bed rooms. If every citizen will follow these simple precautions, then the mosquito problem will be solved in Houston.

There are other sanitary precautions that should not be neglected, such as cutting weeds, the removal of all manner of filth, the treating of low, damp spots with lime and keeping the plumbing in good condition. Other cities in Texas have had "cleaning up days." Houston ought to have a cleaning up day in which every householder participates at least once every week or so. Trash should be burned and every manner of filth disposed of.

We have the most beautiful city in the country and it is not difficult to have the most healthful. Cleanliness is the keynote and mosquito destruction an essential.

And in both instances you must keep everlastingly at it. It is well worth the trouble.—Houston Post.

Wichita Falls is out of the yellow fever district and therefore need have no fears of the mosquito spreading that contagion. While the extermination of the mosquito is going on but little is said of the common, loathsome house-fly, which in some hotels and restaurants swarm over the food that is set before guests. On the leg of each common house-fly it is said that a microscopic examination will reveal at least twelve hundred small hairs. If this fly, which has in all probability been feeding on filth and lights on the butter, gets bogged up, he is released by someone and little is thought of the incident. The butter or other food upon which it has deposited at least a certain portion of filth, is made use of. Let's not devote all our energies toward the extermination of the mosquito, but spare a little time to getting rid of the filthy house-fly. If the eating of impure food causes disease, then more deaths can be traced directly to the house-fly in one year than are caused by yellow fever and the mosquito in five years.

In an editorial printed in the Louisville Courier-Journal and entitled "The Political Outlook," Henry Watterson says: "The time has passed for 'some one else,' Mr. Bryan retaining the field; it is too late for 'some one else,' the conditions what they are; and I confess that I am in sympathy with Mr. Bryan in refusing to be ruled off the track by a group of New York politicians, whose motives are, to say the least of them, suspicious, which will support no ticket except one framed by themselves, and which do not agree with one another touching the ticket to be named. Whatever his claims may be, Mr. Bryan has his rights, and no thoughtful man can, or will say, that he cannot be elected, the ipse dixit equally of the unthinking, the interested and the prejudiced to the contrary being of no weight whatever. But among democrats, who know why they are democrats, there ought to be other and higher considerations; some arrest of the breakneck speed on the highway toward the centralization of power; some real and not spurious purpose toward tariff reform; some sure separation of the politics of the country from its partnership with high finance and the high financiers; some breaking up of groups and rings, of wheels inside wheels, always involved by a change of parties, even when made only for the sake of a change. The Courier-Journal is a democrat, not a republican, and, standing by the sincerity of its record, it will support the ticket to be headed by Mr. Bryan, as actively and earnestly as if it represented its original preference and opinion."

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TRUST COMPANY FAILS.

Cleveland Institution Assigns W. th Liabilities of About \$2,700,000. By Associated Press. Cleveland, Ohio, May 14.—The Reserve Trust Company made an assignment today to the Superior Savings and Trust Company. The liabilities of the concern are about \$2,700,000. Inability to realize on outstanding loans is said to have precipitated the failure. Officers of the bank say that the depositors will be paid in full.

Buggies, Buggies.

Just received a car of Studebaker and Moon buggies. Call and see us before buying. JACKSON BROS. 1-6t w-1t

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The great majority of the people of Burkburnett are anti-Bailey from the fact that they are readers and thinkers and are against Bailey solely on his past record—not from the influence of campaign howlers and fictitious literature.—Burkburnett Star.

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COL. WYNNÉ SPURNS CHALLENGE OF WACO MAN TO DEBATE.

GOES AFTER DAVIDSON

Fort Worth Man Will Not Agree to a Substitute for Attorney General.

Special to the Times. Fort Worth, Tex., May 9.—Col. R. M. Wynne, candidate against Davidson for attorney general, today announced that he will not debate with Judge Gerald of Waco, who yesterday challenged the Fort Worth man to meet him in Waco on May 15. Wynne says that he is anxious to meet Davidson, but refuses to meet a substitute. It is not known yet whether Davidson will attend the banquet or not.

Wholesale Deaths Attributed to Mrs. Guinness Finds Parallel in Deeds of H. H. Holmes.

The wholesale killing attributed to Mrs. Belle Guinness of La-Porte, Ind., finds a parallel in the deeds of H. H. Holmes, who was hanged at Philadelphia twelve years ago Thursday for the murder of Benjamin F. Pitezel in 1894.

Holmes was born with absolutely no moral sense. He committed murder not for the love of killing, but for the money it brought him. His victims were known to be eleven. There were a number of other murders not fastened upon him, but there was strong reason for the belief that at least a score of lives were blotted out by him.

Pitezel left his wife and six children in St. Louis when he accompanied Holmes to Philadelphia to swindle the

Fidelity Mutual of Pennsylvania out of \$10,000. Holmes had had Pitezel insured for that amount and told him they would fix up a skeleton, collect the money and divide it. Instead, Holmes killed Pitezel. The latter's wife knew he was involved in a questionable deal. When proofs of his death were demanded, Alice, one of Pitezel's daughters, went from St. Louis to Philadelphia and identified the body.

A St. Louis lawyer was engaged by Mrs. Pitezel to look out for her interests. She did not know her husband was dead. When the daughter of Pitezel identified her father, Holmes feared to send her back home. He asked that Nellie Pitezel be sent east. He took both children to Toronto, where he killed them, burying their bodies in cellars. Howard Pitezel was killed in Indianapolis. Mrs. Pitezel received only \$400 of the \$10,000 insurance, the balance going to the lawyer and Holmes. The latter claimed Pitezel owed him \$7,100. Holmes maintained a large house at No. 701 and 703 Sixty-third street, Chicago, known as the "Castle."

Here he had many ingenious devices for taking life, many secret rooms and a pit filled with quicklime for disposing of bodies. Among those who entered and were never known to leave the "Castle" were Minnie Williams of Fort Worth, Texas, from whom he got \$10,000; Emeline C. Cigrand of Lafayette, Ind., his typewriter, who knew too much; Robert E. Philips, who married Miss Cigrand, and Mrs. Julia Conner, whom he forced to leave her husband and live with him, and her child, who disappeared, as Holmes said, with an old man named Belknap, going to St. Louis, but who was never after heard from.

Holmes' first known "job" was the swindling of an insurance company out of \$12,500 in collusion with a fellow student in Ann Arbor University in 1899. He died saying he had been responsible for deaths of only two women.

Holmes at one time lived in Fort Worth and was reputed to be a real estate dealer and speculator. He built a hotel or rooming house there very similar in architecture to the "Holmes Castle" in Chicago. However, no one was killed in this house.

Superintendent McNew Resigns.

From Monday's Daily. E. O. McNew, superintendent of the Wichita Falls public schools for the past two years, and who had been re-elected and had accepted a third term had the board of trustees called together last Saturday afternoon and tendered his resignation.

His reason for this action was a desire to return to Mineral Wells and again take charge of the city schools at that place at a better salary than he was getting here.

While the school board was loath to release Mr. McNew from his contract, it realized that to have him fulfill it would be a considerable loss financially to him, it accepted his resignation and will elect another superintendent.

The schools of this city have made great progress under the superintendency of Mr. McNew, who was popular with both pupils, teachers and patrons.

SUIT AGAINST STANDARD.

Trial of Oil Company for Rebating Begun at Rochester, N. Y.

Rochester, N. Y., May 12.—The suit of the government against the Standard Oil Company, in which the oil company is charged with receiving rebates from railroads, was put on trial today at the opening of the spring term of the United States District court. The company is indicted on fifty-three counts.

FOR SALE—A practically new J. I. Case 15-horse power threshing outfit, complete. Has been run only about 30 days. Will sell at a bargain. Apply or address J. L. Witherspoon at J. L. Lea's store, this city. 312-3t w-1t

COUNTER PROCLAMATION BY GOV.-ELECT PINDALL.

By Associated Press. Washington, D. C., May 12.—"I will issue an appeal next Monday morning to the conservative members of the Arkansas legislature not to assemble in extra session," said Governor-Elect Pindall to the Associated Press today. "At the same time," said Mr. Pindall, "I will accompany the appeal by a proclamation declaring that no extra session of the Arkansas legislature be held."

About to Build a Buddhist Church.

Seattle, Wash., May 12.—Ground has been broken for a Buddhist church on property bought for the purpose by a Buddhist organization. When completed it will be the only one of its kind in the United States. The building site cost \$6,000 and the edifice will entail an outlay of \$12,000 more.

G. Nakai, the pastor of the Seattle Japanese Society, is now in Japan, and when he returns he will bring with him an image of Buddha, for which a place has been reserved in the chapel, and which will be set up and used in the service of the society. Members of the society here say that the image will probably be two or three times the size of a man.

The plans as drawn by the architects provide not only for strictly church purposes, but on a small scale contain features quite as up to date as the most modern institutional church. These include gymnasium in the basement, with shower baths and other apparatus, a kitchen, dining room, library, and twenty-seven living rooms. A school for young men will be conducted in the building, where the students will be given a general education.

The building will consist of two stories and a basement and is to be ready for occupancy August 1st. The basement will be of concrete, and the two upper stories of frame construction. chapel, in which will be placed the image of Buddha and where the church services will be held, will be on the first floor. On the same floor will be a sitting room and six living rooms.

In the basement will be a gymnasium measuring 44x29 feet, a kitchen, pantry, dining room, sitting room and a baggage room. On the top floor will be twenty-one living rooms. It is planned to have these rooms occupied by the priests and the young men attending the school.

The plans for the building have been drawn so that it is adapted to general club purposes and as such it is intended to have the Buddhist community in the city use it. Practically all of the adherents of this society are Japanese, but it also includes those of other nationalities who are devotees of Buddha, the president of this society being a woman of Scandinavian extraction, Selma Anderson.

Work has been started on the new Bateman-Moore block at the corner of Indiana avenue and Eighth street.

PEACE WITH BATTLESHIPS AND FEWER STATESMEN.

By Associated Press. North Platte, Neb., May 12.—Admiral Evans passed through here this morning and stopped long enough to make a short speech from the rear platform of the train, in which he said: "We will always have war as long as we have anything worth while fighting over and the more battleships and fewer statesmen we have, the longer we will have peace."

STREET CAR DYNAMITED.

Strikers or Their Sympathizers Accused of Dastardly Deed.

By Associated Press. Pensacola, Fla., May 12.—The police and private detectives are making every effort today to locate the persons guilty of dynamiting the street car operated by strike breakers last night. No arrests have yet been made. Neither the motorman nor conductor were seriously hurt in the explosion.

Married, at the home of Mr. Herndon, across the river from the bridge this afternoon, Miss Viola Spradling and Mr. W. L. Coleman. The ceremony was pronounced by Justice Brothers in the presence of a few friends and relatives.

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We also carry a full line of Whole Wheat Flour, Pancake and Buckwheat Flour, Steel Cut Oat Meal, Pearl Barley, Gritts and Hominy, White and Yellow Kiln Dried, pearly Corn Meal, Pettijon's Breakfast Food, Malt Breakfast Food, Shredded Whole Wheat Biscuits, Wheat Berries, Puffed Rice, Tapioca, Sago, Cream of Wheat, and others too numerous to mention. If it's good to eat and on the market, BEAN has it.

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MA WIPED OUT.

SEVERAL PERSONS DEAD

Only Meager Details Have Been Learn-
ed of the Storm Damage About
Woodward, Oklahoma.

Woodward, Ok., May 11.—A succes-
sion of tornadoes swept over the dis-
trict lying to the southwest, south and
southeast of this city late yesterday af-
ternoon and last night.

Seven towns are reported to have
suffered damage of more or less ex-
tent. They are Grand, Arnett, Vici,
Mutual, Estelle, Cooley and Richmond.

Casualties are reported to have re-
sulted at each of the places named.
At Arnett one person was killed and
half a dozen injured, one fatally.

At Vici a physician named Hauser
was fatally injured.

At Mutual Arthur Sibel and wife and
several others were seriously injured.

Grand, the county seat of Ellis coun-
ty, is said to have been badly wrecked.

The towns of Estelle, Cooley and
Richmond are also reported to have
been devastated by the storm.

All of the places named are twenty-
five miles distant from any railroad.
The wires are down and it is difficult
to obtain details of the damage and
loss of life.

The villages where the damage is re-
ported are all small places. So far as
can be learned the tornado traveled
across four counties and covered a dis-
tance of seventy-five miles.

Destructive Storm Near Tulsa.
Tulsa, Ok., May 11.—A terrific wind
storm passed over northeastern Okla-
homa last night. Several houses were
unroofed and many small buildings
were blown from their foundations.

Orchards in the surrounding country
were practically devastated. No casu-
alties have been reported.

Family Narrowly Escaped Death.
Special to the Times.
Gainesville, Tex., May 11.—A heavy
wind visited this section this morning
accompanied by a heavy rain. The
wind blew down the residence of Tom
Nance and the family narrowly escap-
ed death.

Other Towns Hit By Tornado.
Woodward, Ok., May 11.—At Little
Robe, southwest of here, a Mrs. Hale
was killed. The little town of Cestos
in Dyer county is reported to have
been wiped off the map. No details
from there are obtainable.

POISONED AT CHURCH BANQUET.

Twenty Members of Houston Church
Ill From Eating Stuffed Crabs.
Houston, Tex., May 8.—Twenty
members of Christ's church here to-
day are recovering from ptomaine poi-
soning, caused by eating stuffed crabs
at a church banquet last night. Judge
Simpkins of Austin is among those
who are ill.

Thornberry School Picnic.

The picnic given by the patrons of
the Thornberry school at the Thorn-
berry bridge last Saturday was a very
enjoyable event and was attended by
a large crowd.

In a baseball game between the
Thornberry and Frieberg teams, Thorn-
berry won by a score of 8 to 4.

Prof. E. P. Haney, principal of the
public school at Byers, was one of the
visitors and made a talk that was
much appreciated. Among the other
visitors were Miss Daisy Camp of
Stoneberg, and Miss Teresa Bentley of
Wichita Falls.

Before the picnic was adjourned a
resolution was unanimously adopted
soliciting Prof. Kemp to take the
school for another year.

Caution Necessary.

People who are fond of eating plover
are warned against serving them at
this time, because there may be dan-
ger of poisoning. Farmers in many
instances have been using strychnine
to kill prairie dogs, and the little birds
stand a fine chance of getting hold of
some. So far, no reports of poisoning
through this channel have come to this
office, but it is better to be on the safe
side and let them alone for a time.—
Eschitt Banner.

The Baccalaureate Sermon.

Before Monday's Daily.
Before an audience which completely
filled the large auditorium at the Bap-
tist church yesterday morning, Rev.
George L. Bush of Gainesville, who is
conducting the Christian revival here,
delivered the baccalaureate sermon to
the graduates of the Wichita Falls
high school. The sermon was a splen-
did discourse and while especially fit-
ting for the occasion, was appropriate
to all persons. The discourse was one
of the best ever heard in this city.
The commencement exercises will
be held in the Baptist church next Fri-
day night.

Mid-May Outing.

The citizens of Wichita Falls have
decided almost to a unit to visit beau-
tiful Lake Wichita on Friday, May 15th,
and mix up with the Farmers' Union
people of all the surrounding country.

The occasion will be the second an-
nual picnic of the District Farmers'
Union of Wichita Falls, which compris-
es this and adjoining counties. Ar-
rangements have been made to handle
and entertain from 5,000 to 10,000 peo-
ple.

Speakers of State and national fame
will address the crowd. We have posi-
tive assurance that State President
Neill will attend, also a reasonable as-
surance that National President Bar-
rett will be with us. Don't forget your
baskets and frying pans.

Please observe the advertised list of
our merchants who will close their
stores and join in the merry crowd.

The railroads have fallen in line and
will make cheap rates for the occasion.

The Fort Worth and Denver will
give one and one-third fares May 14th
to 16th, at all points between Vernon
and Bowie. The Wichita Valley, the
same between Seymour and Byers.

The following excursion rates are
made on the Wichita Falls and North-
western and the Wichita Falls and
Southern roads to the picnic grounds:

Olney\$1.00
Archer City50
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Kell1.00
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Wichita Falls25

BIG CROWD EXPECTED.

Speakers of National Reputation Will
Be at Farmers' Union Picnic.

Those in charge of the Farmers' Un-
ion picnic at Lake Wichita on May 15
are expecting a great crowd at the
lake on that day.

Reports that have been received say
that people are coming from Okla-
homa, Clay, Archer, Wichita, Wilbarger,
Young, Baylor and Throckmorton coun-
ties to enjoy the hospitality of their
Wichita friends.

Low rates will be made on several
railroads and special trains may be
run.

Speakers of national reputation in
the Farmers' Union will participate in
the program. Among those who will
be at the picnic are J. J. Neill, pres-
ident of the State organization; L. B.
Halloman, Tom B. Taylor and Henry
Webb. President Neill writes to J. L.
McConkey here that if possible he will
get President Barrett of the National
organization, whose home is at At-
water, Georgia, to accompany him here.

A feature of the day will be the big
basket dinner at noon, and all who
come are asked to provide themselves
with a well greased skillet.

The old timers will know what that
means and those who don't can find
out when they get there.

From Monday's Daily.

Carroll, the infant son of Mr. and
Mrs. John W. Taylor, died in this city
yesterday morning of measles. Funer-
al services were conducted from the
family residence at 10 o'clock this
morning. The parents have the sym-
pathy of many friends in the loss of
their little child.

A negro who had presented a money
order payable to P. H. Pennington
Company to the cashier at the St.
Charles restaurant for payment Sat-
urday afternoon was arrested a few
hours later by the officers and is being
held while the matter is being investi-
gated.

Harry Robertson will let the con-
tract this week for a new house to be
built on Thirteenth street near the
school house.

Mollie Bailey's Show left this af-
ternoon over the Wichita Falls and South-
ern for Olney, where the show will ex-
hibit tomorrow.

The county commissioners are in ses-
sion at the court house. The reports
of the county tax collector and of the
county treasurer are being examined
and audited.

Nine Cases on the Docket.

From Monday's Daily.
The corporation court is grinding
out a heavy business today. This
morning there were nine cases on the
docket for a hearing today. Four of
these were negro vagrants, one a Mex-
ican for public intoxication, two ne-
groes for using loud and vociferous lan-
guage, another negro for assault upon
his wife and the other a white man
charged with a misdemeanor.

Croker's Horse Wins at Newmarket.
London, Eng., May 8.—The one
thousand guinea stakes at Newmarket
today was won by Richard Croker's
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The Baccalaureate Sermon.

Before Monday's Daily.
Before an audience which completely
filled the large auditorium at the Bap-
tist church yesterday morning, Rev.
George L. Bush of Gainesville, who is
conducting the Christian revival here,
delivered the baccalaureate sermon to
the graduates of the Wichita Falls
high school. The sermon was a splen-
did discourse and while especially fit-
ting for the occasion, was appropriate
to all persons. The discourse was one
of the best ever heard in this city.
The commencement exercises will
be held in the Baptist church next Fri-
day night.

HEAD ALMOST CUT OFF.

**Electrician's Head Almost Severed By
Descending Elevator.**

Houston, Tex., May 12.—Jacob Hans,
an elevator electrician, was probably
fatally injured today when a descend-
ing elevator almost cut off his head.
He was carried unconscious to the hos-
pital operating table, but the physi-
cians say that his case is hopeless.

Following the initiation of candi-
dates tonight the Elsk will hold a so-
cial session. District Deputy Darling
of Temple will attend the meeting to-
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CONFERENCE OPENED

PRESIDENT, GOVERNORS, AND OTHERS MEET TO DISCUSS CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

MEETING IN WHITE HOUSE

Roosevelt Opens Conference With Speech—Eryan, Gray and Johnson Present.

Washington, D. C., May 13.—The White House was the scene today of an assemblage of the most distinguished figures in the political and industrial life of the nation. The occasion was the conference by President Roosevelt with the governors of practically all the states and territories to consider the broad question of the conservative use of the country's natural resources. The conference will continue through Friday. The subjects to be considered include the use and conservation of mineral, land, timber and water resources of the country. The specially invited guests include three democratic presidential candidates, Wm. J. Bryan, Judge Gray and Governor Johnson.

The President in person received the guests who shortly thereafter assembled in the east room. The conference was opened by the President with an address on "Conservation as a National Duty." In part the President spoke as follows: "Gentlemen: The several States, and I am glad to say, the Federal Government, are here to consider the question of the conservation and use of the great fundamental sources of wealth of this Nation. So vital is this question, that for the first time in our history, the chief executive officers of the States separately, and of the States together forming this Nation, have met to consider it.

With the governors come men from each State chosen for their special acquaintance with the terms of the problem that is before us. Among them are experts in natural resources and representatives of national organizations concerned in the development and use of these resources; the senators and representatives in congress; the supreme court, the cabinet, and the inland waterways commission have likewise been invited to the conference, which is therefore national in a peculiar sense.

This conference on the conservation of natural resources is in effect a meeting of the representatives of all the people of the United States called to consider the weightiest problem now before the nation; and the occasion for the meeting lies in the fact that the natural resources of our country are in danger of exhaustion if we permit the old wasteful methods of exploiting them to continue.

With the rise of peoples from savagery to civilization, and with the consequent growth in the extent and variety of the needs of the average man, there comes a steady increasing growth of the amount demanded by this average man from the actual resources of the country. Yet, rather curiously, of the same time the average man is apt to lose his realization of this dependence upon nature.

Savages, and the very primitive peoples generally, concern themselves only with superficial natural resources; with those which they obtain from the actual surface of the ground. As peoples become less primitive, their industries, although in a rude manner, are extended to resources below the surface; then, with what we call civilization and the extension of knowledge, more resources come into use, industries are multiplied, and foresight begins to become a necessary and prominent factor in life. Crops are cultivated; animals are domesticated; and metals are mastered.

Every step of the progress of mankind is marked by the discovery and use of natural resources previously unused. Without such progressive knowledge and utilization of natural resources population could not grow, nor industries multiply, nor the hidden wealth of the earth be developed for the benefit of mankind.

From the first beginning of civilization, on the banks of the Nile and the Euphrates, the industrial progress of the world has gone on slowly, with occasional setbacks, but on the whole steadily, through tens of centuries to the present day. But of late the rapidity of the process has increased at such a rate that more space has been actually covered during the century and a quarter occupied by our national life than during the six thousand years that take us back to the earliest monuments of Egypt, to the earliest cities of the Babylonian plain.

It is almost impossible for us in this day to realize how little our revolutionary ancestors knew of the great store of natural resources whose discovery and use have been such vital factors in the growth and greatness of this nation, and how little they required to take from this store in order to satisfy their needs.

Since then our knowledge and use of the resources of the present territory of the United States have increased a hundred fold. Indeed, the growth of this nation by leaps and bounds makes one of the most striking and important chapters in the history of the world. Its growth has been due to the rapid development, and

alas! that it should be said, to the rapid destruction, of our natural resources. Nature has supplied to us in the United States, and still supplies to us, more kinds of resources in lavish degree than has ever been the case at any other time or with any other nation. Our position in the world has been attained by the extent and thoroughness of the control we have over nature; but we are more, and not less, dependent upon what she furnishes than at any previous time of history since the days of primitive man.

To Check Waste of National Resources

The wise use of all our natural resources as well as the great material question of today, I have asked you to come together now because the enormous consumption of these resources, and the threat of imminent exhaustion of some of them, due to reckless and wasteful use, once more call for common effort, common action.

Since the days when the constitution was adopted, steam and electricity have revolutionized the industrial world. Nowhere has the revolution been so great as in our own country. The discovery and utilization of mineral fuels and alloys have given us the lead over all other nations in the production of steel. The discovery and utilization of coal and iron have given us our railways, and have led to such industrial development as has never before been seen. The vast wealth of lumber in our forests, the riches of our soils and mines, the discovery of gold and mineral oils, combined with the efficiency of our transportation, have made the conditions of our life unparalleled in comfort and convenience.

These steadily increasing drains on these natural resources has propitied to an extraordinary degree the complexity of our industrial and social life. Moreover, this unexampled development has had a determining effect upon the character and opinions of our people. The demand for efficiency in the great task has given us vigor, effectiveness, decision and power, and a capacity for achievement which in its own lines has never yet been matched. So great and so rapid has been our material growth that there has been a tendency to lag behind in spiritual and moral growth; but that is not the subject upon which I speak to you today.

Prosperity Depends Upon Intelligent Use of Natural Resources.

Disregarding for the moment the question of moral purpose, it is safe to say that the prosperity of our people depends directly on the energy and intelligence with which our natural resources are used. It is equally clear that these resources are the final basis of national power and perpetuity. Finally, it is ominously evident that these resources are in the course of rapid exhaustion.

The End of Iron and Coal in Sight.

This nation began with the belief that its landed possessions were illimitable and capable of supporting all the people who might care to make our country their home; but already the limit of unsettled land is in sight, and indeed but little land fitted for agriculture now remains unoccupied save what can be reclaimed by irrigation and drainage. We began with an unapproached heritage of forests; more than half of the timber is gone. We began with coal fields more extensive than those of any other nation and with iron ores, regarded as inexhaustible, and many experts now declare that the end of both iron and coal is in sight.

The mere increase in our consumption of coal during 1907 over 1906 exceeded the total consumption in 1876, the centennial year. The enormous stores of mineral oils and gas are largely gone, but they have been so injured by neglect, and by the division of responsibility and utter lack of system in dealing with them, that there is less navigation on them now than there was fifty years ago. Finally, we began with soils of unexampled fertility and we have so impoverished them by injudicious use and by failing to check erosion that their crop producing power is diminishing instead of increasing. In a word, we have thoughtlessly, and to a large degree unnecessarily, diminished the resources upon which not only our prosperity but the prosperity of our children must always depend.

The Cause of Our Greatness.

We have become great because of the lavish use of our resources and we have just reason to be proud of our growth. But the time has come to inquire seriously what will happen when our forests are gone, when the coal, the iron, the oil and the gas are exhausted, when the soils shall have been still further impoverished and washed into the streams, polluting the rivers, denuding the fields, and obstructing its navigation. These questions do not relate only to the next century or to the next generation. It is time for us now as a nation to exercise the same reasonable foresight in dealing with our great natural resources that would be shown by any prudent man in conserving and wisely using the property which contains the assurance of well-being for himself and his children.

Minerals Cannot Renew Themselves.

The natural resources I have enumerated can be divided into two sharply distinguished classes accordingly as they are or are not capable of renewal. Mines if used must necessarily be exhausted. The minerals do not and cannot renew themselves. Therefore in dealing with the coal, the oil, the gas, the iron, the metals generally, all that we can do is to try to see that they are wisely used. The exhaustion is certain to come in time.

How Man Can Improve On Nature.

The second class of resources consists of those which cannot only be used in such manner as to leave them undiminished for our children, but can

actually be improved by wise use. The soil, the forests, the waterways come in this category. In dealing with mineral resources, man is able to improve on nature only by putting the resources to a beneficial use which in the end exhausts them; but in dealing with the soil and its products man can improve on nature by compelling the resources to renew and even reconstruct themselves in such manner as to serve increasingly beneficial uses—while the living waters can be so controlled as to multiply their benefits.

Our Duty to Posterity.

Neither the primitive man nor the pioneer was aware of any duty to posterity in dealing with the renewable resources. When the American settler felled the forests, he felt that there was plenty for the sons who came after him. When he exhausted the soil of his farm he felt that his son could go West and take up another. So it was with his immediate successors. When the soil-wash from the farmer's fields choked the neighboring river he thought only of using the railway rather than boats for moving his produce and supplies.

On the Verge of Timber Famine.

Now all this is changed. On the average the son of the farmer of today must make his living on his father's farm. There is no difficulty in doing this if the father will exercise wisdom. No wise use of a farm exhausts its fertility. So with the forests. We are over the verge of a timber famine in this country and it is unpardonable for the nation or the States to permit any further cutting of our timber save in accordance with a system which will provide that the next generation shall see the timber increased instead of diminished. Moreover, we can add enormous tracts of the most valuable possible agricultural land to the domain by irrigation in the arid and semi-arid regions and by drainage of great tracts of swamp land in the humid regions. We can enormously increase our transportation facilities by the canalization of our rivers so as to complete a great system of waterways on the Pacific, Atlantic and Gulf coasts and in the Mississippi Valley, from the Great Great Plains to the Alleghenies and from the northern lakes to the mouth of the mighty Father of waters. But all these various uses of our natural resources are so closely connected that they should be co-ordinated, and should be treated as part of one coherent plan and not in haphazard and piecemeal fashion.

The Right of a Nation to Guard Its Future.

We are coming to recognize as never before the right of the nation to guard its own future in the essential matter of natural resources. In the past we have admitted the right of the individual to injure the future of the republic for his own present benefit. The time has come for a change. As a people we have the right and the duty, second to none other but the right and duty of obeying the moral law, of requiring and doing justice, to protect ourselves and our children against the wasteful development of our natural resources, whether that waste is caused by the actual destruction of such resources or by making them impossible of development hereafter.

Any right thinking father earnestly desires and strives to leave his son both an untarnished name and a reasonable equipment for the struggle of life. So this nation as a whole should earnestly desire and strive to leave to the next generation the national honor unstained and the national resources unexhausted.

The Great Problem of the Day.

Finally, let us remember that the conservation of our natural resources though the gravest problem of today, is yet but part of another and greater problem to which this nation is not yet awake, but to which it will awake in time, and with which it must hereafter grapple if it is to live—the problem of national efficiency, the patriotic duty of insuring the safety and continuance of the nation. When the people of the United States consciously undertake to raise themselves as citizens, and the nation and the States in their several spheres, to the highest pitch of excellence in private, State and national life, and to do this because it is the first of all the duty of true patriotism, then and not till then the future of this nation, in quality and in time, will be assured.

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The race for attorney general is not attracting much attention. Davidson is sawing wood and saying but little, while Wynne is making speeches almost daily, but is finding it rather a hard matter to work up any enthusiasm. It looks as if Davidson had deliberately determined to allow his enemies to show up all they could against his private and political record before he will start out to defend himself.

Mrs. Eugene Hugenschmidt, bound by a robber near Sedalia, Mo., managed to pull the telephone receiver from the wall with her teeth, and shouting into it summoned help.

Sam Caldwell, a negro, was convicted by a jury in the corporation court this morning on a charge of vagrancy and was assessed a fine of \$10 and costs.

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IT WOULD BE A MISTAKE.

The New York Journal of Commerce, one of the highest economic authorities in the country, takes the view expressed by the Post the other day that it would be a monumental mistake for the railroads to attempt a general increase of rates at this time. It holds that such a course, if pursued now, would tend to retard the revival of activity and accentuate some of the hard features of the depression.

Continuing our contemporary song: "Railroads must endure the effect of depression as well as other interests engaged in production and trade, and await the time of revival. In the meantime doing their share to promote that result. Stockholders may suffer in the loss of dividends for a time, but that is what owners and shareholders are doing in other lines of business, where they can make no agreements to maintain the charge for goods or for service and force others to pay. If railroads charge more for their services at such a time it will add to the burden of the shippers, which will be transferred in part, at least to consumers, further restricting their buying capacity and the volume of consumption."

The soundness of this view is so obvious that it is difficult to believe any considerable number of managers are seriously proposing to advance rates at this time. Every business interest in the country is suffering as a result of the depression and each is hopefully striving through economy and diligence to aid in the general restoration which it is hoped will not be delayed. The lighter the burdens placed upon commerce and industry the more rapid will the return to normal conditions be and the renewal of normal railroad earnings.

It is but fair that the railroad shareholders should bear a proportionate share of the losses, and no other course promises the relief that business needs.

A general advance in rates would be sure to inject a painful issue into the political campaigns of the year, or it would at least accentuate that issue that is already pending, with the inevitable result that the tranquility which the managers profess to desire would be postponed, to the detriment of the entire country.

That whatever the managers may desire in the premises, the interstate commerce commission should have no difficulty in ascertaining the conditions which oppress the business and the country and utilizing its power to reject the same. Any step having for its objective the production of a general advance in rates would be a service not only to the business interests, but, in the long run, to the transportation lines as well.—Preston Post.

The conductor on the Merced River Canyon train in California stopped the train long enough to kill with a rifle a brown bear 200 yards away.

STILL LACK \$1,600

SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR FIRST PERFORMANCE SEATS IS SHORT OF SUM NEEDED.

NO TIME TO FALL DOWN

Citizens Should Rally to Support of Committee and Make Undertaking A Success.

This afternoon the soliciting committee appointed to raise funds to help build the new opera house through the sale of seats for the opening performance, had secured subscriptions to the amount of nearly five thousand dollars. If six thousand dollars can be raised through the sale of seats a loan can be secured by which the opera house can be built as originally planned.

The committee is experiencing difficulty in getting subscriptions for the seats now lacking, but it is believed that they will be able to raise the amount needed.

Later—Since the foregoing was written, it has been learned that the total subscriptions for first night seats amounts to \$1,600, leaving \$1,400 yet to be raised before the opera house can be built on the plans proposed.

The committee reports that they have about sold the town dry and are finding the \$1,600 yet lacking very hard to get.

In this connection they wish to call attention to some of the benefits of a good opera house here. It will be the policy of the company to rent the opera house for local, school, church lodge and other entertainments at the lowest possible cost. Many political and other conventions, too, can be brought

here and the reader has only to stop and think a moment to see how a good opera house will help the town in many ways. Those who have taken stock in the enterprise have not done so with a view of making any money out of their investment and even if the seat sale reaches \$6,000, the company will have an indebtedness of \$10,000 to start with.

A FUTURE BECAUSE OF A PRESENT.

Wichita Falls Times: The Times is for Wichita Falls, and it is always willing to give all space asked for that will assist in the promotion of any new enterprise, it matters not how insignificant that enterprise might be. Its mission is to help build up Wichita Falls and Wichita County. If, while assisting in doing this good work, it can enjoy a bit of prosperity by earning a small dividend for its stockholders, no one should begrudge it. At the time the Daily was started, May 14, 1907, there were many who predicted that it would be a failure financially. Even some, and perhaps a majority of the gentlemen who subscribed for its stock did so more through a spirit of push and enterprise than as an investment. Others "knocked" the proposition through a spirit of envy or jealousy, and have continued to do so, but in spite of all they could do, the paper has made a fairly good record.

Dallas News: The Times gives evidence of prosperity, and it shows beyond question in its advertising pages that Wichita Falls is peopled by progressive, energetic and bitternut business men. The value of such a paper to an ambitious town is incalculable. Wichita Falls has other good papers, which deserve and receive their share of patronage, and altogether they prove that their town has a future because it has a present.—Dallas News.

Clarence Roberts has purchased a house and lot on Travis street from Charles Suter. The house will be remodelled at once.

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NEGROES TOOK THE WALKS

Blacks Had Things Their Own Way Until the Students Got Together.

Austin, Tex., May 8.—Late last night a miniature race riot took place on the university campus, when a number of negroes were forcibly ejected from the campus by the students. The negroes, including some women, had congregated to the number of about twenty on the campus and were making themselves offensive in numerous ways, forcing white people off the sidewalks and otherwise making themselves generally disagreeable. The students learned of this and about twenty-five got together and soon had the negroes on the run. Year before last it was an unwritten rule of the students that no negro should come on the campus except in the discharge of his duties, and this rule was rigidly enforced, force being employed where the persuasive powers of the students were not equal to the task. Last year this rule was not enforced, and last night's trouble was the first in some time. The students are determined to keep the negroes entirely off the campus.

NEGRESS 51 YEARS OLD CHILDREN NUMBER 25.

Special to the Times. Corsicana, Tex., May 11.—J. C. Wells, who is taking the city scholastic census, found a negro woman who is 51 years old and has a family of twenty-five children.

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Randlett Dons War Paint.

One of the principal characteristics of the towns in the Big Pasture in Oklahoma appears to be a disposition to quarrel with each other. Kell and Eschiti, it seems, are getting about ready to smoke the pipe of peace, but before the soothing nicotine can take effect Randlett sounds the war whoop and takes a belligerent attitude. The following dispatch appeared in the Lawton Democrat yesterday:

Randlett, Okla., May 6.—It is rumored upon reliable authority that the towns of Eschiti and Kell have decided to unite and build a big town on the line of the Wichita Falls and Northwestern railroad west of Randlett.

Whether they will move onto the Kell townsite or down on section 29, is not known. The Lawton, Wichita Falls and Northwestern railroad officials have secured twenty-three acres for sidings at the junction which may mean more than appears upon the surface. Another bank has been started in Kell and Frederick merchants are going to that town, but whether they will make that the big town or not is left for the future to determine.

It is said that the merchants are to start stores at the junction of the two roads on Section 29. But should they get too gay the people of Randlett will file protests with the secretary of the interior and prevent another rival town to be built between Eschiti and Randlett. The government must protect governmental townsites or suits will be brought to settle the matter according to contract.

Takes Oath in Governor's Place.

Little Rock, Ark., May 9.—Allen Hamiter, speaker of the house of representatives in the Legislature of Arkansas today took the oath of office as governor owing to the fact that Governor Pindall had left the State for Washington to attend a conference of governors, thus leaving the State without an executive. Hamiter will probably call a special session of the legislature.

Revolutionists' Red Flag Unfurled.

Pekin, China, May 9.—Alarming news has been received regarding the progress of the revolutionary movement in the Yun Nan province on the Tonking border. There have been three engagements between the rebels and the provincial troops in which the former were victorious. Lachu Pass is in their possession and the seaport of Meng Tsze is endangered.

ADOPT UNIFORMS FOR DALLAS CONVENTION

At the regular meeting of Wichita Falls lodge No. 1195 B. P. O. E., Tuesday night uniforms and badges for the Elks' National convention at Dallas were adopted and O. Neathery was initiated into membership in the lodge and J. G. Jones was admitted by demit from another lodge.

The uniform to be worn by the Wichita Falls Elks is as follows:
Coat—Single breasted, white serge.
Trousers—White serge with cuff bottom.

Shoes—Duck Oxfords.
Hat—Crush white felt, with purple band.
Belt—White kid.
Tie—Purple four-in-hand.
Shirt—Plain white.
Collar—Turn down.
Socks—Purple.

The report of the badge committee was accepted and Mr. Fonville has a cut of the badge at his store and all brothers wishing badges are requested to call upon Mr. Fonville at once and place their orders for the number wanted.

All members desiring to go to the convention in uniform will please call at Walsh & Clasbey's store and sign the list.

Work has begun on an excavation for an elevator at this place. The elevator is being moved here from Byers by the Wichita Mill and Elevator Company.—Olney Oracle.

Even the young fellow who knows it all will be very much surprised to find out what he can learn by experience.

The girl who marries against her father's wishes can't very well expect the old man to defray the expenses of the divorce.

Prize Winning Hogs For Sale.

I have for sale registered Poland China pigs and gilts, sired by Royalty, No. 48,881, as fine bred hog as there is in the State; won first prize at the Dallas Fair; will weigh between 400 and 500 pounds. Will sell this hog at \$35.00. Pigs, either sex, 3 months old, at \$8.00. Pedigrees furnished with each hog. B. H. SUTER, 1 1/2 miles northwest of Wichita Falls, Texas. 18-81

Amarillo Liquor Election Case.

Special to the Times. Amarillo, Tex., May 9.—By decision of the supreme court this week, the application of Z. Z. Savage et al., of Amarillo, for a reversal of the decisions of the lower courts that the injunction granted early in January in the local option election case by Judge Lewis Fisher of Galveston be dissolved, is refused. The plaintiffs will have fifteen days in which to move for a rehearing before the court. The proceedings in the supreme court are the last resorts in sustaining the injunction secured by the saloon men of Amarillo to prevent the publication of the order putting prohibition in effect, but, although the plaintiffs have lost in the court every step of the proceedings from the lower courts through the various hearings, they have gained the chief consideration for which they were working and have prevented the putting of prohibition into effect until the trial of the contest. By the term of the original injunction, its provisions extend only to the trying of the contest and as this will begin next week before the district court here, the present decision of the supreme court does not shorten the time of the original injunction.

Alfalfa in Clay County.

Henrietta Review. George King, superintendent of the county farm, was on Monday showing some samples of alfalfa grown on the farm that were in themselves fine, showing a thrifty growth. All over the country this plant has been for years growing in favor with farmers, and its importance is more and more recognized until now one of the questions of any region soliciting immigration is a question referring to this valuable feed plant.

The test of this first cousin of the clover family that has been made on the Clay county farm has been a severe one, and an experimentation that covers the ground as to our local soils—excepting as to the better qualities of soils that generally rule here. The first planting was on a nook of land next the creek of the most uncompromising quality. Mr. Bentley calls it "buckshot" land, a tough clay with a little gravel, which in a dry time cracks badly and can hardly be marked with a pick. It is in every view from a farmer's standpoint an undesirable spot of land; but the alfalfa planted on that patch three or four years ago has lived, and has given up several valuable crops and now has a heavy growth over two feet high, rank and in bloom. Two or three times it has been burnt perfectly dry above the surface and apparently dead, but under successive rains has smiled forth again in healthy growth.

Summer Drinks.

The question of cooling summer drinks is of importance, perhaps, to most persons. The refreshing influence of acids is well known. From the amount of acids contained in a large percentage of our foods, it seems that they are essential to the human body. Many persons find relief from drinking sour lemon juice in cold water unsweetened. Others must have it more palatable. A person who has suffered long from drug poisons will receive wonderful benefits from sweetened lemonade. It acts like magic on the diseased stomach. There are persons, however, who have too much acid in the stomach, and these drinks are really injurious. The degree of acids to be used must be a matter of taste and physical condition. Hot drinks while aiding in the washing out of waste materials in the body, also tend to increase perspiration. The best sour drinks are lemonade, raspberry vinegar, orangeade, root beer, grape juice and some kinds of soda water. All of these drinks are non-alcoholic.

Crop Conditions at Electra.

Electra News. Jos. Kirkpatrick invited the News editors to take a drive with him last Sunday afternoon to look at his crop conditions. On the trip we saw fields of wheat, oats and corn that were far above the average for this season of the year. Oats are headed nicely and it is no trouble to go into a field and get a handful of sample heads which will average over a foot long. The oat yield will be immense and no doubt there are fields in this vicinity that will go 100 or 110 bushels to the acre. We are not putting this as an average of the general oat yield, but it is safe to say that the average yield will be surprising.

Wheat has a long head and we are not going to try to estimate the average yield, but it is an assured fact that the three elevators in Electra will be taxed to their utmost capacity in handling the crop. Our largest elevator has a capacity of 60,000 bushels and two smaller ones have a capacity of about 25,000 bushels. We will be able to handle a large quantity of grain.

Oklahoma Couple Wedded on the Fly.

Special to the Times. Amarillo, Tex., May 9.—Wedded while whirling along at the rate of forty-five miles an hour was the experience of John R. Bolton of Gage, Okla., and Miss Ella Means of Geary, Okla., at 5:30 this morning. Mr. Bolton is a busy young man and found the only way of consummating his desires was on the fly. So he annexed himself to the Rev. J. W. Terrell of Gage, and met his affianced at Woodward and on train No. 201, coach No. 540, of the Santa Fe, an interesting ceremony was witnessed by T. B. Elleberry and D. W. Anderson of Chicago.

The bride is spoken of as a young lady of refinement, well known and highly respected in the community wherein she is known.

Conductor A. T. Hayden and brakeman W. C. Brainard were also witnesses of the event.

The Deering Ideal, and that all that are in need of repairs we would very much appreciate if you would hand us a list of such parts wanted, that we may be able to accommodate one and all.

263-4 J. JACKSON BROS. Undertakers and Licensed Embalmers.

The wedding presents received by George Hamilton and Janie Richardson of Mitchell, Ind., were almost exclusively chickens, his friends having learned that he intended to start in the poultry business.

Posted.

All persons trespassing on the river, known as the Jolly pasture, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

21-41 Mrs. WILLIAM H. JOLLY.

Does Senator Bailey of Texas recall the remarks attributed to Pyrrhus in the Roman history he used to study at school, "Another such victory and we are undone?"—Kansas City Star.

For Lease.

619 acres 3 miles east of Wichita Falls on Big Wichita River. Fifty-eight acres in cultivation and balance in good pasture. Enclosed with good 4-wire fence. Good spring water on same. Apply to Mrs. William H. Jolly, Central Park, Long Island, N. Y. Box 85.

In trying to unharness a mule Napoleon Yowell, a farmer, was attacked by the animal, which kicked him, stamped on him and bit him, and he was only saved from death by his daughter, who shot the brute with a revolver.

Makes the Biscuit and Cake lighter, finer flavored, more nutritious and wholesome

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