

ON VERGE OF CLASH

CHINA AND JAPAN CLAIM SOVEREIGNTY OVER SAME ISLAND.

TROOPS ARE DISPATCHED

The Territory Was Long Subject of Dispute Between Chinese and Koreans.

Yokohama, Sept. 3.—The probability of a serious clash between the Chinese and Japanese troops is involved in the action of Hui, the viceroy of Manchuria, in dispatching a force of Chinese soldiers to Kwanto or Middle Island, where, in the name of the Korean government, the Japanese have assumed control.

The island named is the only rich region between the Yalu river and Manchuria on the northern side of the Shaogpi range of mountains. It has long been the subject of dispute between China and Korea. The population is estimated at 600,000 Koreans and 400,000 Chinese.

Before the Russian war both governments sent officials with military for the protection of their respective nationalities. At the outbreak of the war, Korea withdrew her officials. Several months ago Marquis Ito sent Lieutenant Saito with a small force of troops to assume the administration.

Action Becomes Known.

This fact seems just to have become known and the Chinese authorities now enter a protest, claiming sovereignty. The dispatch of Chinese troops to the island is the latest move.

The announcement that a party of Japanese explorers from Formosa have raised their national flag over a small island immediately adjoining the Philippines has attracted much attention in official circles. The Japs insist that the island does not belong to the Philippines, because it is north of the twentieth parallel. The island, which was designated Protus or Pratus by the old geographers, is uninhabited. Whether it is of possible value for naval purposes is not disclosed.

AGGREGATE NEARLY A MILLION.

Individual Deposits in the Three National Banks Reach \$815,219.49.

The combined resources of the three national banks in Wichita Falls aggregate \$1,560,540.44, according to their statements recently issued. The resources of the three banks are as follows:

City National	\$858,897.15
First National	569,297.22
Farmers Bank & Trust Co.	132,266.07

Total \$1,560,460.44

The individual deposits subject to check in the three banks, not including the deposits, money on deposit by other banks or United States deposits, aggregate \$815,219.49. So that it will be seen that with the deposits in the banks at Burkburnett, Iowa Park and Electra that there is nearly one million dollars on individual deposits in the banks of Wichita county.

The individual deposits subject to check in the three banks in Wichita Falls are as follows:

City National	\$518,964.73
First National	239,110.31
Farmers Bank & Trust Co.	57,144.45

Total \$815,219.49

Try our Monarch Red Kidney Beans at 12 1/2c per can. Nutt, Stevens & Hardeman.

INDIANS DANCE TOO MUCH.

Army Officer Compelled to Step in and Stop the Fun.

Lawton, Okla., Sept. 3.—Dancing is one of the most enjoyable pastimes the Apache prisoners of war have, and they are never too tired from the day's labor to participate for hours and hours each evening in the tripping of the light fantastic toe. Beginning on July 26th, at which time Miss Jane, the 16-year old daughter of Natche was given her "coming out" dance, and continuing from night to night ever since, the Apaches have made merry upon the same spot in somewhat the same manner.

Lieut. Purlington of the Eighth Cavalry, officer in charge of the Apaches, believed that this class of frolic and pleasure was gradually wearing out the Indians, and making it impossible for them to attend to the duty they have to perform each day upon the Fort Sill Military Reservation, has given them orders to resist from further dancing for the present.

Although they are lovers of the dance, never in the history of the tribe has history recorded such a prolonged spell of dancing. It is unexplainable by the tribe itself, other than the members take such a pleasure in the sport. The Indians are still in the hay field, putting up many tons of the newly cut forage for the use of themselves and the artillery at Fort Sill.

Magnolia coffee can't be beat for 25c a pound. Sold by King & White.

NEGROES HEARD KU KLUX NOISES

A negro man and his wife who live in the servants' house at the rear of Walker's boarding house on Scott avenue report that a "Ku Klux" band was after them last night. They say that along about midnight a couple of men walked up and down the alley, clicking six-shooters and that once they rapped upon the windows of the house and beat upon the doors with their revolvers. The negroes were badly frightened and fled to Walker's house and would not return to the tenant house last night. They declare that they will not sleep in the place again. The negro's name is Nun and he is said to be a half brother of John Buford, who was killed in Holley's saloon last Monday. His wife is employed as a cook in the boarding house.

THE DRY FARM MAN

Makes Proposition to Citizens at Plainview.

H. W. Campbell, the apostle of "the dry farming method" of agriculture, has made a proposition to the citizens of Plainview, which, if it is accepted, will be watched with interest throughout Northwest Texas.

Mr. Campbell offers to put half a section into cultivation and demonstrate that for a period of years he can grow crops of a larger yield than by the ordinary process, and proposes that there shall be a certain average yield. At the end of the period, if he has made good, he is to have the farm. If he fails, the farm is to go back to the people who supplied it.

Please us your orders. We can take care of you to your satisfaction.

TREVATHAN & BLAND.

Don't forget the school children's baseball to be held Saturday at the Wichita its Implement store. 94-41

DIED FROM WOUND

SHOOTING AFFRAY AT AMARILLO RESULTS IN DEATH.

CLAUDE LYONS VICTIM

Charles Gardiner Also May Die as Result of Bullet Wound in Head.

In a shooting affray in the Bon Ton Saloon at Amarillo on Labor Day Claude Lyons, a young painter, received wounds which resulted in his death at noon yesterday, and Charles Gardiner, the bartender, is in a critical condition from a bullet wound in his head.

Lyons and Gardiner had apparently been the best of friends. On Monday Lyons, who was intoxicated, ran into the saloon and without warning drew a revolver and fired upon Gardiner, who was hit by the first shot. Lyons then faced the other occupants of the bar room and said he would shoot the first man who moved a step toward him. Before he had an opportunity to carry out his threat he was dropped to the floor with a bullet fired by "Cap" Welch, a fellow bartender of Gardiner's.

Welch was arrested and was later released on bond for his appearance at a preliminary hearing.

After Awhile.

As for tariff, we'll revise it,
After while;
Bust the trusts? Sure we'll devise it,
After while.
We'll control the corporations,
Make 'em keep their proper stations
And maintain freight regulations—
After while.

We will hand each manganate his'n,
After while.
We will send 'em to prison,
After while.
Income tax? Of course we love it
And we'll do our best to shove it
Till there's not a thing above it—
After while.

For reform we're most emphatic,
After while.
For the right we're all ecstatic,
After while.
But for the subsidies we're crying,
For "bum" currency we're trying,
And we're going out "fat frying"
Right now.

—Will M. Mapla, in the Commoner.

We have just received a shipment of those fancy marshmallows and are selling them at 25c a pound.

TREVATHAN & BLAND.

Don't forget King & White. d&w-tf

IOWA PARK GOES DRY BY VOTE OF 60 TO 26

In the local option election at Iowa Park yesterday the pros carried the day. A total of sixty-six votes were cast in the election and the vote stood 40 dry and 26 wet.

This is the second local option election held in Iowa Park within the past few months. At the first election the school district was voted dry, but the election was found to be invalid. The second election embraced only the corporate limits of the town.

Dick Holley has been conducting the only saloon which has been in operation at Iowa Park within the past few months.

NEWS BREVITIES.

The convention of the Rural Mail Carriers' Association of Texas closed its annual session at Austin on the 2nd. The Association has a membership of 500, which is an increase of 100 per cent over that of two years ago. After the election of officers and appointment of permanent committees, Tyler was selected as the place for holding the next convention.

Ollie Ferringer, the 12-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Ferringer of Beaumont, Texas, met a horrible death on the evening of the 2nd by being dragged to death by her pony which she had mounted to take a ride. The pony became frightened at a dog which had caught it by the tail, causing it to run away, and the little girl fell off, but became entangled in the bridle reins and was dragged to her death.

The new town of Burkburnett is enjoying a healthy growth. Last month over \$5,000 worth of city lots were sold and more than twenty-five buildings—business houses and residences—are now under course of construction, the new bank is open and doing business and has started off with a good line of business. The town is also to have a newspaper, to be called the 6666 Star, and when it gets started will shine exclusively for Burkburnett. The proprietor has both our best wishes and sympathy in his venture.

Mother's Dream tonight at the Majestic.

PRESBYTERIANS TO LOCATE A COLLEGE

Notice has been given by Rev. M. H. Frank, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Canadian, and secretary of the committee, that propositions from towns for the location of the proposed Presbyterian college will be received up to October 4th, when the committee will again meet at Canadian for the purpose of deciding the location.

The Presbyterians of Northwest Texas, as has been explained in previous accounts of the movements, have decided to establish a college and university training school somewhere in the Panhandle. For this school considerable sums of money will be available at the start and the institution will have the support of the Presbyterian organization over Northwest Texas. While it is not known what steps have been taken toward securing the college by various towns, many points in the Panhandle, including Wichita Falls, Quanah, Memphis and Amarillo have been suggested as possible sites.

The location committee has been authorized to ask for certain inducements from towns desiring the location and has also been authorized to guarantee support for the school on the part of the church organization. Rev. Frank will furnish copies of these specifications to all parties interested in the proposition.—Amarillo Panhandle.

TRIAL IN OCTOBER.

Lewis Will Answer Charge of Murder of Leland Terhune.

The trial of Moses Lewis, who is charged with the murder of Leland Terhune, will be held at Roswell at the October term of court.

Lewis is now in jail awaiting the trial. No new developments have been learned here.

Terhune's father, who lives at Iowa Park, will probably attend the trial.

CUTTING OUT WIRES

WIRES WILL BE CUT OUT OF THE RAILROAD OFFICES.

THE ACTION IS NECESSARY

On Account of Tampering Done By the Railroad Telegraphers.

C. L. McKean of Denver, general foreman for the Western Union Telegraph Company, and J. L. Henricks, superintendent of telegraph for the Fort Worth and Denver Railway, were in the city today for several hours. They arrived from the north over the Denver and returned this afternoon. Their mission in Wichita Falls was to look over the telegraph equipment, especially the wires of the Western Union, which are cut in at the railroad offices. It is said that in all cities along the Fort Worth and Denver between Fort Worth and Texline, with the exception of Wichita Falls, Childress and Amarillo, that the Western Union wires are to be taken out of the railroad offices. In a number of places this has already been done. This action, it is said, was made necessary on account of the interference of the railroad telegraphers, who are deeply in sympathy with the striking commercial operators, with the wires and switch boards of the Western Union. This interference, it is claimed, has been a greater handicap in the transmission of messages than the lack of operators.

Strikers' Pay Day.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 3.—This was the first official payday of the striking telegraphers, and the officials announced that they disbursed about \$10,000 in strike benefits. The leaders consider this a small amount in view of the fact that the men have been out nearly a month. Few unmarried men have made demands for benefits, and many have sought other employment and will draw nothing from the strike fund. The distribution provided \$12 for married men with families, \$10 for married men without children and any amount from \$1 up to \$7 for unmarried men.

The companies also paid off their non-union men today, and all received large checks. It is said the customary plan of paying twice a month had piled up quite a tidy sum for the non-union men and women, who are doing extraordinary work.

The strike leaders predicted before midnight they would pull out at least fifty of the non-unionists. It was said at the union meeting in the afternoon that arrangements had been made by the union to pay transportation of forty or fifty of the strike-breakers and send them to New York tonight. Secretary Russell of the union declared that the peace committee of fifteen appointed through locals throughout the country is ready to proceed to New York to await the outcome of the directors' meeting of the Western Union Company to be held Sept. 10. Strike leaders say they expect matters to reach a crisis next week. They predict a peaceful settlement of the affair.

The officers of both companies say they have no intimation of a settlement, and claim their men are returning and the strike is over so far as they are concerned.

If you use a medium priced coffee, you can get no better than our 25c Richelleu. Give it a trial.

TREVATHAN & BLAND.

Public Sale!

On Wednesday, Sept. 4th,

I will sell at public sale the following described property:

8 Mules; 8 Horses; 4 Binders; 4 Drills; 2 California Plows; 3 Disc Plows, and 20 head of Cattle (Cows and Heifers), and various other farming tools, implements and household goods too numerous to here make mention of.

Sale will take place at my farm two miles west of Wichita Falls, beginning at 9 o'clock in the morning.

Terms of Sale:

All sums of \$10.00 and over a credit of six months, with interest at seven per cent. will be given on approved security. All sums under \$10.00 will be sold for cash. A discount of seven per cent. will be made on all purchases paid for on day of sale which amount to more than \$10.00

W. HUND, Owner.

E. B. GORSLINE, Auctioneer.

BUGGIES! BUGGIES!

Just Received a car of the

Famous Studebaker Buggies,

Cut under Runabouts and all the different up to date styles. Also a car of the New Decateur Buggies. If it's Style, Quality and a low price for the goods you get remember we can give you all combined.

Wichita Falls Imp. Co.

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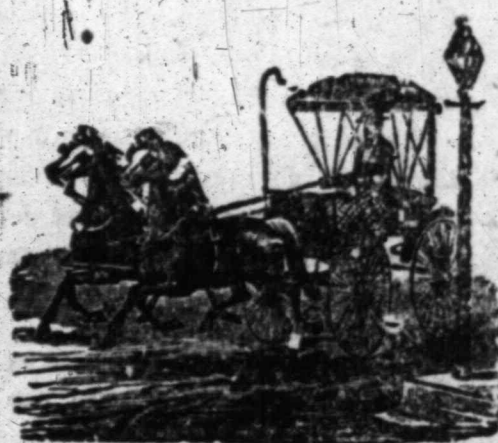
To any Farmer Who Will Deliver by the 1st of Oct. to us at our store

For the 3 Best Ears of Corn, \$2.50 in Mdse.
For the 2nd Best 3 \$1.50 in Merchandise.
For the 3rd Best, choice of our pocket knives

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Those wishing livery turnouts — anything from a one-horse cart to a six-horse coach, CHEAP FOR CASH will do well to consult me at my stable, east side of the Union depot, or PHONE 260

Geo. A. Soule
The Liveryman.

TOTAL ENROLLMENT SHOWS 680 PUPILS

The total enrollment in the public schools in this city yesterday was 680. Of this number, 638 are whites and 42 colored. At the Thirteenth street school there are 474, of which number 149 are enrolled in the high school department. At the Tenth street school 164 pupils are enrolled.

The enrolment by grades and in the schools is as follows:

Thirteenth Street School.	
Grade—	No.
First	49
Second	46
Third	33
Fourth	45
Fifth-B	44
Fifth-A and Fifth-B	50
A-Sixth and B-Seventh	58
A-Seventh in High school	48
Eighth	33
Ninth	33
Junior	27
Senior	8
Total	474
Tenth Street School.	
Grade—	No.
First	48
Second	49
Third	31
Fourth	36
Total	164
Total Whites	638
Negro School.	
All Grades	No.
	42
Grand total	680

Full Length Mirrors.

No. house is complete without a full length mirror. Women are careless about their skirt draperies as a general thing, yet consideration of the underskirts and prevention of sagging on the part of the dress skirt are two important points in neat dressing in these days of the instep-length dress. The old-fashioned cheval glass was an institution, and it is coming steadily into favor again, if, indeed, it has ever been out of fashion.

Modern bedrooms are not always spacious enough to admit of one of these most useful articles, but a long glass in the wardrobe sometimes takes its place. A woman who realizes the value of long mirrors solved the question of space by building full-length mirrors into the doors of the closets in each bedroom. The effect was good artistically, as well as from a utilitarian standpoint.

The Garden Variety.

One of the latest fads is to have tea in one's garden. "Nothing novel about that!" you will say. It surely isn't, if one takes it to be the tea one drinks outdoors under the trees with a bug or a caterpillar likely to fall in the cup. Instead one has tea growing in the garden. Creepers of all sorts, so they say, are dried along with the tea leaves parceled for export to this country. Tea can be grown for home consumption in the ordinary kitchen garden. The climate of the Southern or Gulf States is best adapted to tea growing, but it may be cultivated with success in any region where temperature is never below zero and where there is a plentiful rainfall.

Sanitary Notice.

Persons having closets and vaults upon their premises are hereby notified that the same must be kept in a sanitary condition, as required by the city ordinances. A complaint will be filed against persons violating this ordinance. R. V. GWINN, City Marshal.

J. S. Fore has sold to Mr. Reed of Nocona 1,075 acres of pasture land two miles west of the city for a consideration of \$8.00 per acre. The sale was made through the firm of Cobb, Marlow & Huey.

How To Enjoy The Luxuries Without Increasing Expenses!

We imagine that it sounds too good to be true to most of our readers, but it is possible just the same. Are you sure that you don't waste any money on your purchases; that is, don't you very often buy an article just because it is cheap only to find that it IS cheap and does not give the satisfaction you expected it to give. Perhaps the same article of a better quality would have cost only a few cents more but would have lasted again as long or given greater satisfaction. The point is: The best is always the cheapest, no matter whether it is clothing, dry goods or groceries. For instance most all of the food stuffs are away up in price and the tendency is naturally to buy the lowest priced article you can find. Don't do it! You will lose in the end and find in the course of a few weeks that your expenses are running too high. Every article that you buy at our store we will guarantee to be of the best quality that money will pay for and by making all of your grocery and dry goods purchases at our store you will be able to enjoy the so called luxuries with out increasing your bills.

The following items are a few examples of our goods and prices:

- Monarch 3 lb. Tomatoes.....17½c per can
- " 2 " " ".....12½c " "
- " 1 " French Sifted Peas.....17½c " "
- Monarch 2 lb. Corn.....15c " "
- " 3 " Pumpkin.....15c " "
- Monarch 3 lb. Lemong Cling Peaches.....33½c per can

We also carry a cheaper line of goods for those not wishing the higher grades. Give us a trial on your grocery account for September. We can and will please you both in quality and prices. MONEY REFUNDED if not satisfied with any purchase.

Nutt, Stevens & Hardeman

PHONE 232

MEET AT THE BIG SODA FOUNTAIN

The greatest and most ornate fountain in the entire Panhandle. Every known law of hygiene has been complied with. We serve Pets' and the best Cream in Wichita

JUST A LITTLE BETTER THAN OTHERS SERVE

Mater-Smith Drug Company

Hot and Cold Baths—Competent Workmen. Polite Attention—Prompt Service

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SEVENTH STREET.

Wichita Falls, Texas.

NEW OFFERINGS

In Early Fall Merchandise

We have just finished marking and arranging one of the most complete stocks of high grade general merchandise ever offered the people of Wichita Falls. Especial attention is called to our line of School Wears--Suits, Caps, Shoes, Hose and in fact everything wanted in school goods.

Millinery.

We have for your inspection one of the most complete lines of Millinery ever offered the public. Look the line over.

Fabian Skirts and Coats

The word Fabian means correctly tailored goods. We have the largest line of Skirts and Cloaks ever before shown ranging in price from **\$3.00 to \$30.00 per garment**. A guarantee with every garment.

Dress Goods.

We have some money savers in Dress Goods, Trimmings, etc., but can show you better than we can tell you.

Notions.

Everything in Notions at correct prices. In fact we have the most complete stock we have had the pleasure of showing you for several seasons and will take great pleasure in showing you through if you will give us a call.

YOURS TO PLEASE,

W. E. Skeen

Automobile Garage and Supplies

Machines \$2.00 Per Hour.
Phone 233

ARTHUR REED & COMPANY

CARNEGIE LIBRARY IS NOW BOOKLESS

Talequah, I. T., Sept. 3.—At a special election here a proposed tax to maintain the Carnegie library was defeated. The library building cost \$10,000. It was finished more than a year ago, but has been tenantless and bookless to date.

Several years ago a number of Talequah's citizens decided that so long as the ironmaster was distributing his wealth in such a prodigal manner it would be well for Talequah to get its share. Mr. Carnegie agreed to give \$10,000 if the town would provide \$1,000 a year for maintenance.

The City Council then in office promised Mr. Carnegie that it would do its utmost to guarantee this annual appropriation. The library was built. With a population of only about 2,000, some citizens felt that a library tax would be too great.

The controversy divided the town into two factions, Carnegie and anti-Carnegie, with the latter in control.

Just what Mr. Carnegie will do when he learns of his bookless library is unknown.

Love Defined.

Before the International School Congress in London the other day, Doctor Sir James Crichton-Browne defined love at first sight as being "first, a species of cerebral commotion, and second, the stirring of some hitherto dormant association centers by an appropriate infinitive impression." The scientific value of this transcendent discovery, in the opinion of the Times, is almost equal to the conclusions reached by an American university a few years ago when an investigation was made of a large number of school children to discover their preference for dogs or cats. The astonished world learned that most boys loved dogs best and most girls cats.

STOCK SUFFERING

LACK OF WATER SERIOUS IN PARKER COUNTY.

CATTLE DRIVEN FRANTIC

Men Work Throughout Nights Pumping Water When Windmills Fail.

The prevailing dry weather is beginning to hurt in more ways than one, but the greatest suffering now is in the matter of stock water. Streams have gone totally dry for the first time in many years, and where dependence has been placed on the natural water supply the situation has become quite serious. Thousands of head of stock in Parker county are now being watered from wells, and the matter of raising the water for so many stock is becoming quite a complicated problem.

During the past few days there has been little wind, and where pumping has been done by windmills the pumps have been idle and stock have suffered seriously for water. In this emergency a number of stock owners have hurriedly invested in gasoline engines, and are now pumping what water is required in that manner.

Sunday evening J. A. Eddleman, who resides about six miles southwest of the city, in the prairie section, phoned to W. E. Tate & Co., and asked if they had a gasoline engine in stock, saying that his windmill had stopped and the 200 head of cattle on his place were almost frantic from thirst, as they had had no water since Friday, when the windmill ceased operating. Claude Buster and his assistant at once started to the scene with a big gasoline engine, and after working all night last night, succeeded in getting the water flowing this morning. Mr. Buster says it was heart-rending to hear the starving cattle bawling all night long, without one drop of water to assuage their maddening thirst.

Others in the prairie belt are reported in practically the same condition, and have been compelled to purchase gasoline engines in order to prevent their cattle from starving to death.

The situation throughout the county is daily growing more serious, and unless rain comes within a few days the result is going to be disastrous in more respects than one.—Weatherford Herald.

More Points on Advertising.

A newspaper has 5,000 readers for each 1,000 subscribers. A merchant who puts out 1,000 handbills gets possibly 300 or 400 people to read them—that is if the boy who is trusted to distribute them does not chuck them under the sidewalks. The handbills cost as much as a half column advertisement in the home paper. All the women and girls and half the men and boys read the advertisement. Result: The merchant who uses the newspapers has 4,500 more readers to each thousand of the papers read. There is no estimating the amount of business that advertising does bring to a merchant, but that each dollar invested in advertising brings to the investor somewhere from \$20 to \$100 worth of business, there is no doubt.—Ex.

Religious Notes.

The prayermeeting at the Christian church will be of unusual interest, as our meeting begins Sunday. Let no one fail to come who can reasonably do so. Some matters of interest will be considered. Service begins at 8:15 p. m.

Prof. Parnell, who will lead the choir in our meeting will be here on Friday and wishes to meet all the singers at the church at 8:15 p. m. Come out. He has a new book of splendid evangelistic songs and wishes to practice the choir on them. All those who sing are requested to meet with us. Come and help to swell the chorus.
A. J. BUSH, Pastor.

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Puts System into your business

When you pay all bills by check your business is recorded accurately. Each item shows for itself. There is a correct record of all receipts and expenditures in your bank book. For every bill you pay, you get a receipt. You have positive proof that you paid each obligation. We give the same careful attention to both large and small accounts.

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The old Reliable Tailor

Has opened his tailor shop in the rooms up stairs over Tullis' paint shop and solicits your orders. If you like to be dressy, then have him make you a suit. All work guaranteed. Call and see my New Fall Samples. Cleaning and repairing a Specialty. Suits pressed while you wait.

Ziegler's

TIN SHOP

Pure Water

These Days is an Item Worth Considering.

We furnish everything necessary to catch and deliver rain water from the time it falls on your roof until you place it to your lips pure and clear.

We Know How.

Better SEE US About it.

HADDIX

The Photographer, and have a family group on the Lawn or view of your residence taken.

THE IRON JUDGE IS DEAD.

John Jay Jackson, Foe of Organized Labor, Dies at Age of 83 Years.

John Jay Jackson, known as the "Iron Judge," who became famous for the imprisonment of Mother Jones and other leaders in the great West Virginia miners' strike in 1902, dropped dead in Atlantic City, N. J., on the 2nd.

It was a striking coincidence and one commented upon by the local laborers that Labor Day should have seen the taking off of the Federal jurist who struck terror to organized labor in the West Virginia coal fields, and more than any other judge aroused the deep-seated hostility of unions everywhere. He was 83 years of age at the time of his death and was a harmless old man. He was appointed to his position by President Abraham Lincoln and resigned in 1905, to spend the declining days of his life at his home at Parksburg, Va.

To those who gave us such liberal orders during the past month we thank very much, and to those who did not trade with us we extend a cordial invitation to do so during the coming month. Nutt, Stevens & Hardeman.

In grape juice we offer three sizes—pints, quarts and half gallons at 25c, 50c and 90c. Phone us.

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S. D. Donnell City Editor

Wichita Falls, Texas, Sept. 4th, 1907.

For the past several years but little interest has been taken in the election of city officers and for the election of as important an office as mayor not more than one-fourth of the voters could be induced to go to the polls and cast their ballots. There is a reason for this lack of interest on the part of the people in city elections, and in the opinion of the Times the main one is due to the fact that our City Council has by act taken away from the people the right to select by ballot some of the city officers, and fill them by appointment. In the humble opinion of this paper, it thinks the people can use as good judgment in the selection of men to fill the offices of city marshal, tax collector and assessor as they do in the selection of men to fill the offices of mayor and city councilmen, and the privilege of exercising this right should never have been taken away from them. On next Monday, another city election is to be held for the election of one alderman and the Times trusts that those who vote in this election will cast their ballots for a candidate who is willing to give back to the people of Wichita Falls the right to elect all of their city officers, instead of only a part. For a town of 5,000 inhabitants or more to publish to the world that only about one hundred votes can be polled at a city election is not a very good advertisement and if the people will only watch their opportunity and elect men to serve as aldermen who are willing to admit that they (the people) are just as competent to select by ballot all our city officers as they are to select a mayor and board of aldermen, it will not be a great while until some interest will be taken in our city elections. The Times does not want to be understood as criticising the acts of our present city administration in any manner except in this taking away from the people the right to elect all of their officers, nor has it any criticism to offer for any appointment made by the Council to fill these offices. The people make mistakes and they are just as prone to them in the selection of a mayor and board of aldermen as they are in the selection of the other officers, but if they are not competent to judge of a man's qualifications for filling the offices of marshal, tax collector, assessor and treasurer, they are just as liable to make as big a blunder in the selection of their mayor and board of aldermen.

The Times believes that the people of Wichita Falls are sufficiently intelligent to govern themselves, and expects to agitate the question until a city council is elected that will restore this right to them.

NEILL WAS HONORED.

Texas Selected as Chairman of Committee on Minimum Price.
Little Rock, Ark., Sept 3.—D. J. Neill, president of the Texas Farmers' Union, was today named as chairman of the national union convention to recommend the minimum price to be demanded this year for short staple cotton. The other members of the committee are: J. S. Ayrhart, Texas; L. N. Holmes, Louisiana; J. A. Hart, Georgia; W. F. Tate, Arkansas; A. A. Webb, Tennessee; J. P. Connors, Oklahoma; N. M. Eiland, Alabama; H. W. Bradshaw, Mississippi; J. C. Stribling, South Carolina; W. M. Carlisle, Florida and S. L. Carter, North Carolina. It is not expected that there will be any discussion over the proposition to make the minimum figure 15 cents, an increase of 4 cents over the price fixed last year.

The convention opened at 10 o'clock. The address of welcome was made by Ben L. Griffin, secretary of the Arkansas state union. The response was by Homer L. Higgs of Greenfield, Tenn. The annual address of National President C. S. Barrett of Georgia followed, after which Miss Lattie Gresham of Point, Rains county, Texas, daughter of Newt Gresham, founder of the first branch of the union, was unanimously voted the "Daughter of National Union." Miss Gresham was made an honorary member for life. After discussing the rapid growth of the Farmers' union, President Barrett in his address said: "Already the influence of the Farmers' union is being manifested, not only in the industrial world, but in commercial circles and in the political arena as well. In the face of a crop of 13,250,000 bales the Farmers' union has resolved to hold prices to a living point, and when 6-cent cotton was a drug on the market with not over 8,000,000 bales in sight this organization, through its influence, marketed a crop of 13,250,000 bales at a splendid average of 11 cents. No higher vindication of the justice and the necessity of our cause could be wanted."

See the Pig Chase at the Majestic tonight.

The "Air Cure" in Japan.

A Japanese writer, who has been contributing a series of articles to a London paper says that the "air cure" has been known in his country for 2,500 years. In fact, it is such a matter of course there that when he heard about the "air cure" in England he thought it must be some novel method of using air. He learned subsequently that it merely meant fresh air in one's living and sleeping rooms.

The night the Sells-Floto show exhibited in this city, a buggy belonging to Rural Mail Carrier Caskey was damaged in a collision with one of the teams belonging to the show. The buggy was repaired and a bill for the cost was sent to the manager of the show. A remittance covering the bill for repairs was received here today.

New program at the Majestic tonight.

As He Viewed It.

Stranger (in small town)—I saw by the papers that a boy lives here who was born with no legs and no arms. I am a dime museum manager, and I should like to find him.

Citizen—No use hunting him up. His parents won't exhibit him.

"They won't? Well, it beats all what blessings fall to folks as can't appreciate 'em."—Kansas City Independent.

For the Last Day.

Gabriel—I've blown my trumpet three times and nobody pays any attention to it. Israfel—That's strange, Gabriel—Isn't it? People just make a hasty jump for the curbstone and then look to see which way the auto went.—Cleveland Leader.

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Want Ad Column

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One cent per word for first insertion; one-half cent per word for each consecutive insertion. Cash in advance. No advertisement inserted in these columns unless accompanied by the cash.

WANTED—Second hand shelving. Must be cheap. W. L. Dillard. 97-2t

WANTED—One hundred men to buy land around Burkburnett and lots in the town. M. Dodson, agent. 90-tf

The St. Charles Cafe—clean from kitchen to sidewalk; best place in town to eat. Walter Allen, propr. 56-tf

WANTED—At Ziegler's, a good strong boy to learn the tinners' trade. Must be not less than 15 years old and not afraid of work. 89-tf

SEED WHEAT—Pure Mediterranean seed wheat or other varieties can be gotten at very reasonable prices from the Jas. C. Hunt Grain Co. 94-6t

LOST—A new "On Time" alarm clock probably in or near postoffice entrance last night. Leave at the Star Restaurant. Reward. 97-2t

FOR SALE—A five room house located at 808 Scott avenue, one block from business portion of town. For further information call on or address W. W. Winters, at above address. 96-6t

FOR SALE—Residence on 10th street, close in; corner lot; price, \$2,250; also 40x150 coming business property on Ohio avenue, \$1,000, easy terms. Jackson & Moore. 88-tf

LOST OR STRAYED—A roan pony about 13 hands high; defect in right hip; star in forehead and scar on left hind leg; no brands. Will pay liberal reward for return of animal to M. M. Murray, Wichita Falls, Texas. 96-4t

WANTED—AT ONCE, YOUNG MAN TO SELL FURNISHING GOODS AND KEEP STOCK. MUST HAVE SOME EXPERIENCE IN CLOTHING AND FURNISHING GOODS BUSINESS, AND NOT AFRAID TO WORK. SALARY, \$60 PER MONTH. MORE IF YOU ARE WORTH IT.
tf . . . WALSH & CLASBEY...

GETS MANY NEW BANKS.

Scott E. Winne, a Kansas Financier, is investing in Oklahoma.

Guthrie, O. T., Sept. 3.—Scott E. Winne of Wichita, Kan., who has been acquiring control of a string of banks in northern Oklahoma, has extended his operations into the southwestern part of the territory and has secured banks at both Hobart and Mangum.

At Mangum a new bank has been started, to be known as the Farmers' and Merchants' State Bank, with \$35,000 capital. Mr. Winne is president, W. P. Ponder of Reed is vice president, W. H. Jacobs of Mangum is cashier. The directors are Scott E. Winne, P. L. Ponder, Ben Kiser, Jasper Leadbetter, George E. Clark, J. L. Caddell and H. Y. Hoover.

At Hobart control of the Farmers and Merchants National bank has been secured through purchase by J. D. Robertson, president of the bank; H. A. Jones of Hobart and Scott E. Winne of Wichita of the stock owned by W. W. Rowland, H. J. Johnson of Chickasha and W. A. Kelsay. Mr. Kelsay retires as cashier. His successor has not yet been selected. Mr. Winne will take Mr. Johnson's place on the directorate.

Announcement is also made of the purchase of a major portion of the stock of the First National bank of Frederick by W. A. Stinson of that city and several Wichita Falls capitalists, headed by Colonel R. E. Huff, well known throughout the southwest as a banker and promoter. Mr. Stinson is also president of the Citizens State bank of Eschitt, one of the new big pasture institutions.—Fort Worth Record.

It is Said

that there never was a good article put on the market that was not *imitated*. We all know that imitations are never so good as the genuine and in Ranges and Stoves it was never more emphatically demonstrated than in the case of the *Majestic Range* and *Bridge & Beach Stoves*.

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BROWNS

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"TAILORS"

Every piece of work we sell is made right here at home where we can try it on before it is finished. By that means we can reach those little defects in your make-up which can not be reached in any other manner. **REMEMBER,**

Hooper, The Tailor.

N. B.—Ladies we clean Skirts. If that skirt of yours don't fit, don't have a fit—see HOOPER, the Tailor.

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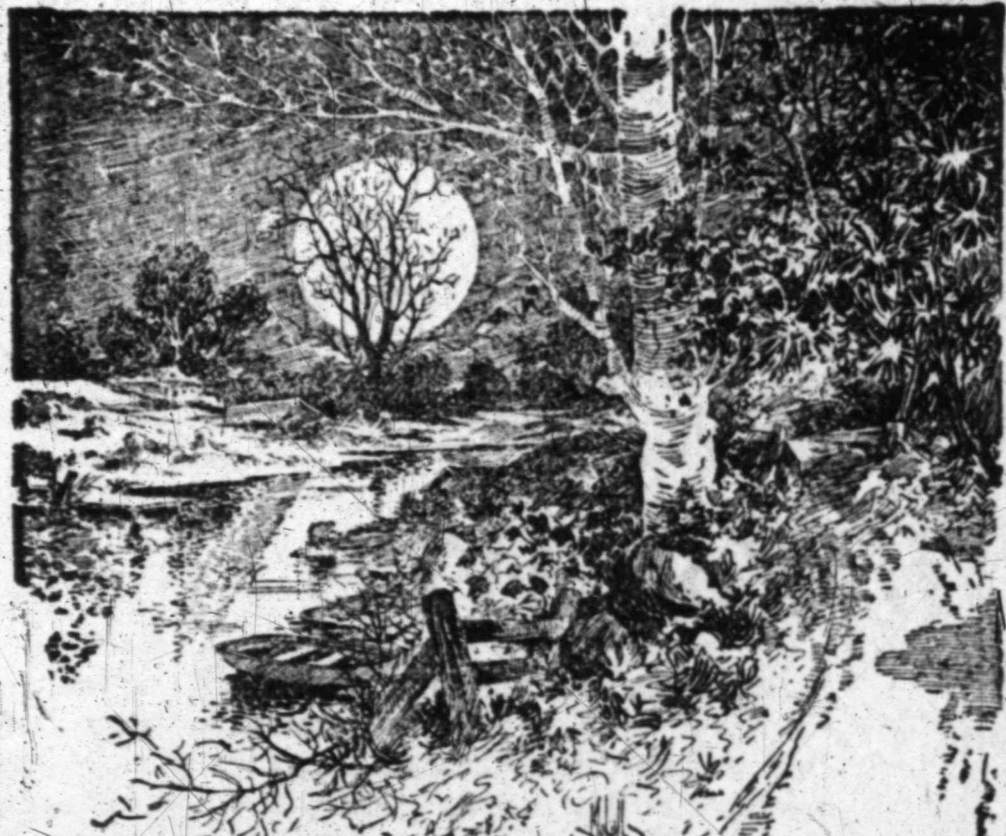
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The Stream

There's a stream I know, with a babbling flow,
That winds the woods away,
Where the leaves are red in their autumn bed,
And skies reflect their gray.

And it sings along with its rippling song,
While echoes answer back:
By the sere field and the harvest yield
All snug in crib and stack!

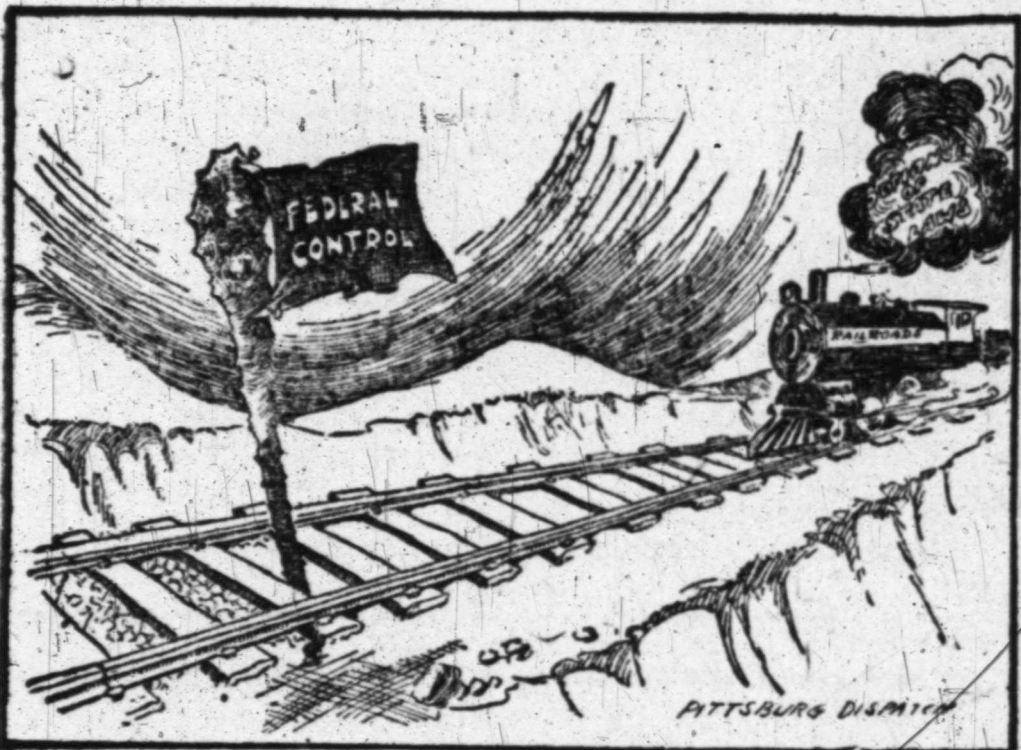
In the sunshine bright, on the moon's soft light,
It laughs in rhythmic fun—
Would that man could see such philosophy
In work that must be done.

For there's woodland bright and the moon by night
In life, for everyone—
There's but small alloy would the heart enjoy
The starlight and the sun!

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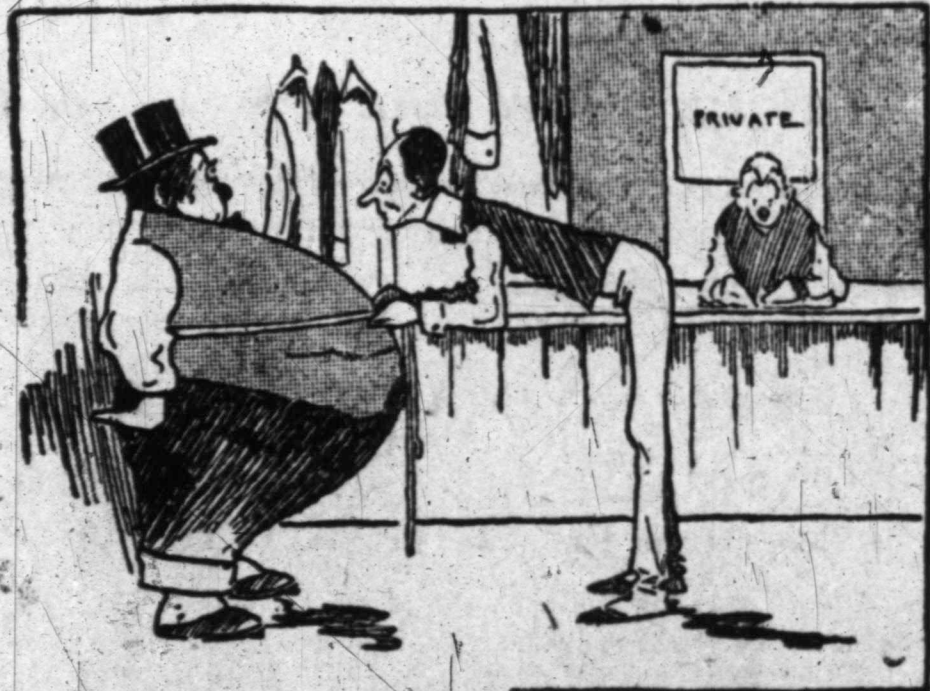
A SIGNAL TO BE HEEDED.



IT'S NOT THE LIGHT, BUT WHAT THE LIGHT DISCLOSES.



IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.



Tailor (measuring Mr. Feebletail)—Waist, 55.
Assistant (taking measurements)—Er—Yards or Inches?
(Unbounded Delight of Mr. F.)

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STORE NEWS

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EVERY TRAIN BRINGS NICE, NEW GOODS FROM THE EAST!

OUR buyer has just returned from the market and reports that he has bought the largest and best stock of goods he has ever carried before. Our first years business in Wichita Falls, which ended July 13th, was much larger than we expected and find that the trade is increasing to such an extent it compels us to carry a larger stock in order to supply the demand. We heartily thank you for your liberal patronage and promise to continue to give you polite, courteous treatment and **DEPENDABLE** Merchandise at the least possible price.

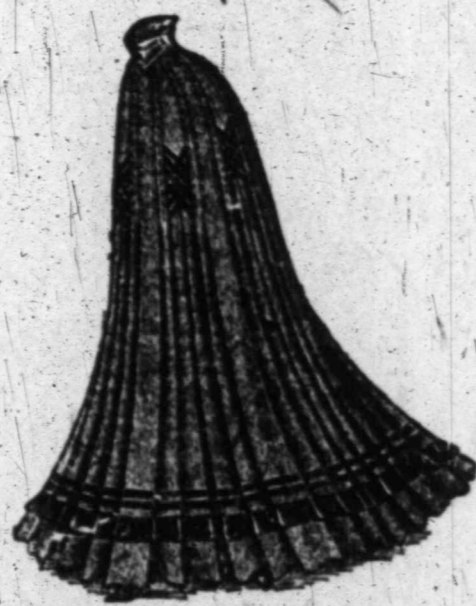
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MONEY IN IRISH POTATOES

According to the figures of the National Department of Agriculture the Irish potato is the most profitable of all crops in general cultivation in the United States. According to this report potatoes show a value per acre in Texas about four times as great as any of the cereals. The report for last year shows the value of different farm products grown in Texas as follows: Corn, \$11.25; wheat, \$8.85; oats, \$14.27; barley, \$14.95; rye, \$12.41; hay, \$15.30; potatoes, \$66.88. The acreage in corn was 6,924,000; wheat, 1,228; potatoes, 31,000.

The secretary of the Galveston Chamber of Commerce writes that an immense quantity of Irish potatoes are shipped through that port to Cuba, but that very few of them come from Texas should not supply the entire demand for these potatoes. In view of the fact that the boll weevil is with us and his numbers yearly increasing, to say nothing of the ravages of the boll worm, a condition confronts the Fannin county farmer that compels him to seek some other crop besides cotton as a revenue producer. Any good land, sandy or black waxy, produces potatoes well and by the use of a little fertilizer even the poor grades of sandy land can be made to produce a profitable crop of potatoes. The same thing may be said of peanuts, the sandy land being particularly adapted to their growth. They pay well. On occasions the black lands are exceedingly profitable, and average of \$100 to \$150 per acre being usual. Even this much clear profit is frequently realized.

These things being true, these crops

certainly offer an inducement to all our farmers. This does not mean that cotton is to be abandoned, but it is certain that it is not to be relied on as the sole money crop if our farmers expect to make their lands profitable.

One great trouble that has heretofore confronted the man who wanted to grow these crops has been the want of a good market for his products. There need no longer be trouble about this. If any number of farmers will get together and agree to plant a sufficient acreage of any of these crops, arrangements can be made for a buyer, even if no local buyer can be had. We believe, however, that the Bonham merchants will agree to supply the buyer if the farmers will raise the produce.

Others make money on each of these crops and we believe the farmers of Fannin county can also make money growing potatoes, onions and peanuts. —Bonham News.

All in the Tilt of Her Hat.

The idea that a great deal which is mistaken in a girl for temperament is in reality merely a matter of the tilt at which her hat is set has a foundation of truth. Hats are not a reliable indication of character, yet it is a strange thing that the majority of men will jump to the conclusion that a girl is not of a strictly serious turn of mind if her hat happens to be at ever so slightly frivolous an angle.

Don't worry, mothers, we have everything you need for your children. See our display at the Wichita Implement Company's Saturday and sample some delicious cooking.

NEWS BRIEVITIES.

A New York special to the St. Louis Republic says the stork took passage on the Red Star steamer Kroonland, which arrived there on the 2nd from Antwerp, and as a result of his industry seven babies were born on the trip. The ship's surgeon says all of them are sturdy youngsters.

On the night of the 2nd a \$318,000 fire occurred at Houston. The part of the Standard Milling Company was completely destroyed, entailing a loss of \$250,000. The fire spread to other property in the neighborhood and was not checked until four blocks of buildings were reduced to ashes. The total amount of insurance was \$230,000.

By the mistake of a telegraph operator two crowded passenger trains went together on the Sunset route near Strang, Texas, on the night of the 2nd. About three thousand excursionists were on the wrecked trains, and many of them sustained serious injuries. Fortunately, no one was killed, which was probably due to the fact that both engineers stuck to their engines and slowed them down as much as possible before they came together. "Dad" Stowe, one of the engineers, probably sustained fatal injuries.

Idleness Leads to Crime.

Two-thirds of the convicts in America's greatest prison (the Missouri penitentiary at Jefferson City) are men without trade or profession. Look into any State penitentiary, and you will ordinarily find that at least one-third of the convicts there confined are young men, ranging in age from 18 to 25 years, and that nearly all of them came into prison without the knowledge of any useful and gainful occupation.

Comparatively few of the younger class of felons are illiterate. In my own experience I have never met one who could not read and write, and very many (by far the greater number, I should say) are possessed of no small degree of intelligence. But, however stupid or however precocious, they are found to be, scarcely without exception, young men who have not applied themselves to useful honest work. This is true of both the poor and the well-to-do.

Why are they there? The answer is given by Gustave Marx, one of the Chicago "car-barn" bandits, who recently died upon the gallows:

"It wasn't drink that caused my downfall," he said; "nor cigarettes, nor bad companions, either. It was idleness. Idleness led me first to cigarettes, then to drink, then to bad companions—then to the gallows. And I blame my folks. If they had made me remain at work, work would have kept me too busy to have planned robbery and murder."

This is the story that fits them all. First, idleness; then cigarettes and drink, to blunt the moral sense and destroy the will; then living beyond one's means; then indulging the riotous excesses that spell debauchery and make for ruin. And may they not rightly blame their "folks," as did Gustave Marx?—Thomas Speed Mosby, Missouri State Pardon Attorney, in Success Magazine.

School of Music.

I will be ready to begin my music class by September 16th, teaching voice, piano, violin and harmony. The session will be divided into three terms, beginning September 16th to December 23rd; second term, January 2nd to March 26th; third, March 29th to June 15th.

Tuition: \$17.50 for first term of fourteen weeks; \$15.00 for second and third terms.

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Will give public recitals at the end of each term.

Location of studio will be announced later.
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PERSONAL MENTION

Jake Mittenhal of Dallas is in the city.

J. D. Avia returned today from Sherman.

G. D. Anderson and mother left today for Mineral Wells.

H. D. Holley of Iowa Park was in the city today on business.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Boyd of Iowa Park were shopping in the city today.

T. H. Kemp, one of Olney's real estate men, is in the city on business.

Rev. Jerome Duncan of Stamford was in the city today on his return home from Vernon.

C. W. Staley of Munday was in the city today en route to Olney, where he will engage in the drug business.

Mrs. O. B. Adams of Fort Worth is visiting her nephew, Mr. E. M. Winfrey, and his family of this city.

Harrison Schwind, city marshal of Henrietta, passed through the city today en route to Dalhart on official business.

Bruce Campbell, after a pleasant visit to his aunt, Mrs. T. W. Roberts, returned to his home near Knox City today.

James B. Dickson, one of the leading real estate men of Seymour, was in the city today en route to Ennis on business.

Mrs. Edgar Hill of San Juan, Porto Rico, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Shumake of the Thornberry neighborhood.

F. J. Dosse and family of Oklahoma, who have been visiting at Bowman for the past week, returned to their home last Friday.

S. W. Walker of Charlie was in town today and reports that a good rain fell in that section of the country on Monday of this week.

Will Laster of Hubbard City is here this week, the guest of Ben Williams and family. Mr. Laster is prospecting with a view of locating here.

Miss Leda Nash of San Antonio, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Montgomery on her return from Colorado, left for home today.

Mr. P. J. Forcher and his son, Geo. Forcher, of the Bowman community, left last Friday for St. Louis for a visit to relatives. From St. Louis, they will go to Ford county, Ill., to visit their old home.

Miss Julia Babcock, who has been the guest of Miss Esther Gorsline, left this morning for Sherman, where she will attend the Kidd-Key college.

Mrs. C. W. Morgan, Jr., who has been visiting relatives and friends in this city for the past two weeks, returned to her home at Stamford today.

C. M. Andrews, chief dispatcher of the Fort Worth and Denver at this point, has returned with his family from a vacation spent at points in Colorado.

W. H. Rickerson of Cleburne, the tallest man that has walked the streets of Wichita Falls for many years, is in the city visiting his brother, J. I. Rickerson.

Mrs. A. Hurley and children, who have been visiting relatives in this city for the past month, will leave in the morning for their home at McCurtain, I. T.

Mrs. E. B. Gorsline and daughter, Miss Esther, left this morning for the Jamestown Exposition. Miss Esther will remain in Cincinnati during the winter, where she will attend the Conservatory of Music.

Prof. Griggs of Odin, Ark., who was employed by the school board as the English teacher in the high school here, has not arrived and no word has been received from him. Miss Emma Haynes, who teaches at Iowa Park, is supplying in the place of Prof. Grigg.

An Interview on Grasshoppers.

The telegraph editor of the Abilene Reporter, who is out of a joke on account of the telegraphers' strike, started out the other day to learn something about the swarm of grasshoppers which descended upon Abilene several days ago. Here is how he tells about one of his interviews:

"Judge E. P. Walshe was the first we encountered and after knocking several of the pests off his hat he commented on a big fellow that was occupying a position on the reporter's note book. 'That one there belongs to the 'Acrididae' household and is akin to the migratory locusts. This family located west of the Mississippi before Columbus discovered America and the visitors to Abilene today are relatives to the family that made Kansas famous. They have been here before. I remember when they ate up all of the

corn and cotton and did great damage to the mesquite trees and barbed wire fences. That one on your nose there is of the 'Locustidae' variety, a specie and genera that is very numerous.' Just here the biggest one in town flew into the speaker's face, to which he said: 'I guess the whole Grasshopper family is here,' and that closed the interview."

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