

BAD TRAIN THIEVES

THEY DRUG THEIR VICTIM AND THEN ROB THEM.

OPERATE NEAR FT. WORTH

Several Have Been Unloaded at Texas and Pacific Station Under the Influence of Narcotics.

Fort Worth, Tex., Sept. 27.—That an organized gang of thieves is operating on trains running into Fort Worth, drugging and robbing men who appear prosperous and who can be induced to drink whiskey or other liquor which has been doped so that the victims speedily become unconscious and remain so long enough to allow the thieves ample opportunity to get away, is the belief of the Fort Worth police and Texas and Pacific officials, who are now at work trying to locate members of the gang.

Five cases within two weeks, preceded by other similar cases scattered over a period of several months, furnish the evidence on which the police are working.

One of the victims died from the poison administered. The others have recovered after heroic measures of treatment and a long period of stupor.

The police and station officials believe that the gang is so well organized that even if after a man has been drugged no opportunity for robbing appears while he is on the train local members get hold of him after he arrives in Fort Worth and get his money before the police can rescue him and take him to the emergency hospital.

And in every case so carefully have the thieves done their work, they have left the victim with papers of identification on his person and a little money, so that it might appear that he had not been robbed, but had lost his money in some other way.

An aged man supposed to be D. D. Arthur of Kleinwood, La., is the latest victim of the thieves. The man, who is 60 or 70 years of age, arrived in Ft. Worth Wednesday morning undoubtedly drugged. He was unable to tell his name or anything about himself. A letter was found in one of his pockets addressed to D. D. Arthur, and Jerry Deems, station master of the Texas and Pacific station, thinks that the owner of the letter is the man drugged.

He is fairly prosperous in appearance and might be taken for a farmer on a prospecting trip. Besides the letter Station Master Deems found on him a ticket for San Francisco and 65 cents in money. That a man would attempt so long a journey with less than a dollar in change convinces the Texas and Pacific officials the man was robbed after he had been drugged.

He is still in such a condition as to be unable to travel and will be placed on a west bound train for El Paso as soon as he has somewhat recovered. At present he is being kept under watch at the station so that he may not wander away to fall into the hands of other thieves.

Another case this week which the police think bears out their theory was that of Miles H. Herring, who arrived here Tuesday from West Texas apparently under the effects of some powerful narcotic. He was sent to the emergency hospital at the Fort Worth Medical college.

The case of D. C. Koogler, who arrived in Fort Worth Monday night on the Missouri, Kansas and Texas train unconscious, was found by the police on a sidewalk still in that condition at 2 o'clock Tuesday morning, is more

puzzling than either of the other cases.

Mr. Koogler had been a customer of the Cassidy Southwestern Commission Company of Fort Worth and a letter found on him from that firm led the police to the belief that he was a traveling representative of the Cassidy Southwestern Commission Company.

At the Thompson sanitarium, where Mr. Koogler was taken, it was stated that his unconscious condition was apparently the result of illness. It is known he had been suffering from malaria several weeks and had even been subject to fainting spells.

In spite of this, the fact that he was spirited away from the Texas and Pacific station while the officials there were trying to get an ambulance Monday night and was not found for several hours afterward makes the police believe that local thieves got hold of him and accomplished what their accomplices on the train had failed to do.

It is not known how much money Mr. Koogler lost. The fact that he had been ill, the police argue, might more easily have led to his accepting a drink of liquor while on the train and could easily have been doped.

Texas and Pacific officials are confident that he did not leave the station alone Monday night, but that he was taken away.

Two other cases are recalled by Station Master Deems within the last week. The police have not kept the names for the reason that they did not suspect the men had been doped, supposing they were under the influence of too much liquor. The men were sent to the local hospitals for treatment and recovered.

The Olympic was a success last night.

GIN BOILER EXPLODES

MADISONVILLE SCENE OF ACCIDENT—ONE MAN KILLED.

OTHERS ARE INJURED

Debris is Thrown Many Rods and Explosion Shock Breaks Windows.

Madisonville, Tex., Sept. 26.—J. M. Kents, about 20 years old, was instantly killed here this morning by the explosion of the boiler at his father's gin plant. He was thrown for a distance of about fifty feet by the explosion and struck against a pile of wood. When he was picked up it was found that he was dead.

Joe Holliday, another young man employed at the gin, was thrown a considerable distance and sustained injuries from which he is in a critical condition.

Tom Dean, a young farmer who was delivering a load of cotton to the gin, was struck on the head by flying debris and is seriously injured.

Just before the explosion, it is said, the steam gauge indicated a pressure of 175 pounds in the boiler.

Large parts of the boiler were hurled from 300 to 1,000 feet away, while sheet iron, bricks, stone and other debris were scattered in all directions.

Several windows were broken out of the court house and many other buildings, while larger pieces of timber crashed through the doors and windows of Joe Randolph's residence, doing great damage.

The main building and much of the machinery of the gin plant were badly wrecked, while the engine was completely demolished and pieces thrown all around the place. The damage will amount to about \$3,500.

Oil Explosion Kills Three.

By Associated Press.

New York, Sept. 27.—Three men were instantly killed today by the explosion of an oil tank in Bronx, from which they were drawing crude petroleum into a sprinkling cart for use on the Morris Park race track, where the twenty-four hour automobile race begins this evening. It is supposed that a lantern carried by one of the men ignited some loose oil under the tank. The explosion which followed tore off the top of the tank and hurled it into the yard of a Catholic protectory.

THE PRESIDENT WILL APPROVE THE PROVE CONSTITUTION.

Washington, Sept. 27.—President Roosevelt announced yesterday that he would approve the Oklahoma Constitution. He said that he had examined the document with Attorney General Bonaparte and that he felt that the question of his approval ought not to be based on his personal opinion of the document, but upon whether it came within the terms of the enabling act. His personal opinion of the document, the president laughingly said, was "not fit for publication." The promulgation of his approval will be made later.

COKE DILLARD IS PROMOTED

The many friends of J. C. Dillard, and they are legion, will be gratified to learn that he was yesterday appointed by Major Beardsley to the office of auditor of the Beardsley Interurban between this city and Fort Worth. The appointment is at once effective and Mr. Dillard entered upon his duties yesterday. Mr. Dillard has lately been acting in a responsible capacity to Major Beardsley, and was identified with some of that gentleman's railroad building projects in Louisiana and Arkansas.

Prior to coming to this city Mr. Dillard was auditor of the Wichita Falls and Northwestern railway; before that time he was connected with a large wholesale grocery house in Wichita Falls.

Mr. Dillard has always been an able man and has held positions of large capacity and in selecting him for this responsible office for which he has been chosen Major Beardsley has shown his accustomed foresight and picked a valuable man.—Misperal Wells Health Resort.

Mr. Dillard has a host of friends in this city who will learn with pleasure that his splendid abilities as a business man have received such substantial recognition.

SIX INDICTMENTS RETURNED.

Names of Harriman and Stubbs are Mentioned.

By Associated Press.
San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 27.—According to a report in circulation here, six indictments were found yesterday by the Federal grand jury against the Pacific Mail and Steamship Company. In these indictments the names of Edwin H. Harriman, John B. Stubbs and R. H. Schwerin, it is understood, are mentioned. The indictments, it is said, embrace 140 counts and relate in particular to the shipments from the Orient through the port of San Francisco to Chicago.

Special Agent Duncan of the Interstate Commerce Commission has been on the Pacific coast for several years and also in Japan investigating these shipments and how Pacific Mail and Southern Pacific have been making rates lower than published rates at various times.

NEGROES WARNED TO LEAVE THE CITY

Several negroes of this city have received letters warning them to leave town before midnight Saturday or suffer direful consequences. The matter has been reported to the police, who are investigating the origin of the letters. One of negroes who received a warning is said to have cruelly beaten his daughter several nights ago.

Negro Admits Authorship.

Marshal Gwinn this afternoon apprehended Noah Bennett, a negro, and when accused of writing the notices Bennett admitted his guilt. Gwinn accompanied the negro to each of the negroes warned and made him confess to them the authorship of the letters. Bennett claimed that he posted the notices as a joke. His intended joke worked out better than he anticipated, for the negroes who received the notices were greatly alarmed.

TO MEET SECRETARY ROOT.

Special Presidential Train Leaves City of Mexico.

By Associated Press.
Mexico City, Mex., Sept. 27.—The special presidential train which is to meet Secretary Root and party, left here last night for the American frontier. On board were Major Porfirio Diaz, son of President Diaz, Lieut. Col. Cuellar and Major Hablo Escandon, all members of the president's staff. The special will make a record run to the frontier.

It will proceed direct to Laredo and then to San Antonio, where Secretary Root and party will come on board. Secretary Root will be given a diplomatic membership in the Mexican Academy of Jurisprudence and Legislation.

MANY LIVES LOST.

Incendiarism Follows Establishment of Custom House in Chinese City.

By Associated Press.
Hong Kong, China, Sept. 27.—Hundreds of houses and many boats and pontoons were destroyed today by fire at Wuchow and it is feared that the loss of life is heavy. The conflagration is said to have been due to incendiarism growing out of the recent establishment of a new interior customs station at Wu Chow, the inhabitants of which are bitterly opposed to an extra taxation.

A small ad in the Times was the means of Mr. F. P. Green of Iowa Park selling 800 bushels of seed wheat at a nice profit. The purchaser was S. W. Middleton of Avondale. If you have anything for sale and want to get the best price for it, advertise in the Times. It will pay you.

DEAD MAN'S NAME BROUGHT INTO LAND CONSPIRACY TRIAL AT BOISE.

The Evidence Shows the Claims Were Transferred by the Entrymen.

By Associated Press.
Boise, Idaho, Sept. 27.—After having spent all the previous day in bringing out the testimony of thirteen persons who admitted that they had taken out claims to timber lands for the express purpose of selling them to the members of the alleged land grabbing conspiracy, the government's attorneys in the trial of United States Senator Borah here today turned the line of evidence into new channels which they claim, will tend to affect the defendant senator. The testimony introduced up to Thursday has been confined to the activities of John I. Wells and Louis M. Pritchard, two of the men under indictment. None of the dummy entrymen were cross-examined Wednesday and their testimony that they received from Wells the money with which to prove their claims, and from Pritchard the sum of \$250 for surrendering titles, went uncontradicted.

Just prior to the adjournment the prosecuting attorney identified the signatures of former Governor Frank Steunenberg and and William Sweet to a document, said to have been a contract. It is alleged that Steunenberg and Sweet jointly furnished the money with which the first alleged fraudulent transactions were carried on.

The government divided its case into three sections. The first deals with the claims which were turned over to Albert E. Palmer of Spokane, who is said to have acted as a dummy trustee for the Barber Lumber Company. The second set of claims, it is alleged, were handled through Horace S. Rand of Burlington, Iowa. The third and last set were handled by George S. Long, who, the government promises, will eventually take the stand as the most important witness for the prosecution. S. R. Rush of Omaha, special assistant to the attorney general, who has been active in the timber and coal land prosecutions throughout the west, has assumed control of the case while the evidence is being put in.

LARGE LOANS MADE

STANDARD OIL FINANCE BEING UNRAVELED.

ANOTHER ATTACK BEGUN

Subsidiary Companies are on Trial at Findlay, Ohio—Their Charters May Be Forfeited.

By Associated Press.
New York, Sept. 27.—George Chesborough, the comptroller of many subsidiary pipe line companies of the Standard Oil Company, took the stand today in the government's suit against the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, to give testimony regarding the operation costs and profits of the pipe line companies. Mr. Kellogg questioned the witness regarding the Buckeye Pipe Line Company.

"I notice that the following loans were made by the Buckeye Pipe Line Company to the National Transit Company, as shown by the balance sheets of the Buckeye company: In 1899, \$3,317,141; in 1900, \$5,251,287; in 1902, \$5,638,610; in 1903, \$8,115,153; in 1904, \$6,515,688; in 1905, \$3,389,326; in 1906, \$4,616,514. What were these loans?" asked Mr. Kellogg.

"They represented funds on deposit with the National Transit Company," replied Mr. Chesborough. "You carried these loans as assets?" "Yes, sir," was the answer.

Perpetual Injunction Asked.

Finlay, Ohio, Sept. 27.—Another case against the Standard Oil Company brought by the independent producers was stated here today in the common pleas court before Judge Duncan. The title of the case is "George H. Phelps against the Standard Oil Company and seven subsidiary concerns, John D. Rockefeller and seven other officials and concerns." The plaintiff prays that the charters of the corporations named except those of the Ohio Oil Company and the Standard Oil Company be adjudged illegal, fraudulent and void and each of the defendants be perpetually enjoined from doing any act under said corporation name and that a receiver be appointed for each of the defendants with power to wind up the business of each defendant corporation.

A Groundless Rumor.

Mobile, Ala., Sept. 27.—Wild reports in which there was no credence caused one company of militia to be sent to Plateau, a negro settlement three miles from Mobile at 4:45 this morning. The reports were started by persons with no authority and there was not the slightest occasion for sending for troops. Several families who are employed at a factory near Plateau came to the city, saying that the negroes were holding secret meetings, and were going to avenge the death of the negro, Mose Bassett, who was lynched Sunday morning for attempting to rape an aged white woman near that place. At 7 o'clock the place was very quiet and not the least trouble was expected. The affair has been greatly exaggerated.

MURDERED AGED WIFE.

Wealthy Illinois Man Then Ate Paris Green, Ending His Own Life.

By Associated Press.
Elgin, Ill., Sept. 27.—Cyrus Baldwin, aged 85, one of the wealthiest residents of Kane county, killed himself today by eating Paris green after he had confessed that he had murdered his aged wife by smashing her skull with a hammer. Mrs. Baldwin was found dead yesterday.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Oklahoma and Indian Territory tonight—Showers; cooler Saturday. Fair and cold in east portion. East Texas North—Tonight, showers; cooler in west portion. Saturday, showers and colder. Fresh southerly to westerly winds on the coast.

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♦ BOND ISSUE APPROVED ♦
♦ BY ATTORNEY GENERAL. ♦
♦ City Secretary Edgar Rye is in receipt of letters from the State Attorney General's office saying that the records for the bonds for the new City Hall and sewer system have been approved and that the bonds will be approved when presented, if properly prepared and executed.
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OVER FIVE THOUSAND

POPULATION BY ACTUAL COUNT
NUMBERS 5055.

WRITE-UP OF THE CITY

As It Will Appear in the New City Directory—Advantages Set Forth.

Wichita Falls has a population of 5055 souls. This has been established by an actual count by the census taker for the Fort Worth Directory Company.

The Times is in receipt of an advance copy of the prefatory write-up of the city as it will appear in the new directory and is as follows:

Wichita Falls, Texas.

Is today in our opinion the coming commercial and industrial center of Northwest Texas. Here is blended to a charming degree the aggressive rustling blood of the North with the warm, cordial and hospitable temperament of the South. The altitude is eleven hundred feet above the sea level, making a cool dry atmosphere which gives cool nights in the heated summer months and comparatively mild and healthful winters, thus making the general climate an ideal one. The growth of the city has been phenomenal both in population and commercial importance during the past two years. The streets are broad and well laid off and all named and well marked with signs and the houses are all numbered and tagged with beautiful aluminum tags and makes one feel like he is in a city of the first class.

Wichita Falls in the person of one of her most illustrious sons, Mr. Joe A. Kemp, can justly boast of having the Jay Gould of Texas in railroad building. Mr. Kemp, with his associates, build roads themselves whenever they decide that Wichita Falls needs a new road. At present they are building two, which we will describe later on under its proper heading.

For the benefit of those living abroad and who may be interested in knowing more about this charming little city, we present below a brief outline of the commercial and general make-up of the city, and in this connection we will add that there is no spot in the United States offering a more promising field for the investment of capital, either in manufacturing or real estate than this city.

Population.

The census just completed by the publishers, which is an actual count and not an estimate, shows Wichita Falls to have a population of 5055 and we feel safe in predicting that by the time the next Federal census is made Wichita Falls will have passed the ten thousand mark dead easy.

Public Buildings.

The public building of most importance at present is the county court house, which is a handsome brick structure of modern design and convenience. An issuance of \$15,000 in municipal bonds has recently been voted for the erection of a city hall, and it is expected that work will be commenced on it in the near future.

The city also owns three public school buildings, one for colored and two for white pupils. One of the latter is a beautiful pressed brick building that would do great credit to any city.

Fire Department.

The fire department is volunteer and is wholly inadequate to cope with anything of a serious nature. At present it is equipped with two obsolete hand drawn hose reels and a small hook and ladder truck, but as there are no

horses with which to haul the latter it is practically useless. It must be said to the credit of the fire ladders, however, that they do the very best work possible with the crude equipment at hand, and they should receive the plaudits of everyone for the efforts they make to save life and property. It is to be hoped that in the near future this department will be equipped with a more modern and serviceable apparatus with which to work. Such expenditure as would be necessary for this would soon be covered by the saving of property and in the reduction of insurance rates to what they should be in a city of the importance and progressiveness of Wichita Falls.

Water Supply.

The greater part of the water supply is furnished by a private corporation, which owns all the mains and the franchise for supplying the city. The supply is taken from Lake Wichita, six miles southwest of the city, where it is originally muddy and is conducted from that point to the pump house at the south city limits in an open ditch. This lake is one of the finest bodies of impounded water in the United States, being about fourteen miles long and ranging in width from one-half to three miles. This gives the city an absolute unfailing supply of water, but on account of its being discolored by matter which will not settle on standing it is very essential that it be filtered before using. The city should install a plant to filter the entire supply before it is pumped into the mains.

Parks.

The block bounded by Eighth, Ninth, Broad and Holiday streets has been set aside for a city park, and is being improved and beautified to a very considerable extent. In this connection we may mention Lake Wichita, six miles southwest of the city, where there is a very beautiful body of water affording splendid boating and fishing and groves of trees furnishing bounteous shade for all comers. Automobiles run regularly from the city to this resort every Sunday and the Wichita Falls and Southern Railway Company has recently completed their track and inaugurated Sunday excursions to the Lake.

With the completion of an electric railway which is now projected to the lake, this place will become one of the greatest pleasure resorts in Northwest Texas.

Sewers.

The city now owns a little over one mile of sewer mains, which does service mostly in the business districts. There are quite a number of private sewers in the city on which it is impossible to obtain figures. The people have recently voted an issue of bonds of \$20,000 for the purpose of extending the sewer system, and surveys and estimates for this purpose are now being made.

Streets and Sidewalks.

Though Wichita Falls has not pavements in the strict sense of the word, nearly all the streets in the city have been graded nicely and are kept in first class condition. The nature of the soil is such that pavements are not a necessity, the streets never becoming muddy. In the matter of sidewalks, the city no doubt leads all Texas cities of its size and in proportion to the size and population would make the large cities of the State blush in comparison. There are now over fifteen miles of cement walks in the city and they are being extended as rapidly as the supply of labor and material will permit.

Lights.

The electric light service of the city is far above the average and we have heard but very few complaints on this

score. While there is only one company furnishing lights, the rates are as reasonable as in the larger cities and the service fully as good. The city needs more street lights, however, the number now in use being so small that they are of little practical value to the belated citizens.

Values and Tax Rates.

Records of the city tax assessor show a total assessed valuation this year of \$1,924,000, on which the tax rate is 65 cents per hundred dollars valuation. This is aside from the special school tax, which we understand is about 12½ cents per hundred dollars.

Bonded Indebtedness.

At present there are outstanding municipal bonds to the amount of \$34,000, to which must be added \$20,000 for sewers and \$15,000 for a city hall that have recently been voted by the people, making a total bonded indebtedness of \$69,000, or less than 3½ per cent of the assessed valuation.

Public and Private Schools.

Under our State law, Wichita Falls is incorporated for school purposes aside from the regular city corporation and the school affairs are administered by a board of trustees elected by the people, and the taxes for this purpose are assessed and collected separately from the regular city ad valorem taxes. There are three school buildings owned by the city, one for colored and two for white pupils, one of the latter being a very commodious structure of red pressed brick and architecturally one of the handsomest school buildings in the State.

There are besides the public schools, an academy for girls and young ladies conducted by the Sisters of St. Mary, which is by far the largest in Northwest Texas, and a commercial college that has recently opened for business with the most glowing prospects of success.

Railroads.

Wichita Falls is the railroad center of Northwest Texas, having twice as

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Telegraph and Telephone Service.
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The telephone service given by the local exchange is of the best and it is given a most liberal patronage.

The general offices of an independent company are also located here, though they do not at present maintain a local exchange.

Hotels.
Wichita Falls is well supplied with hotels, there being five that are run strictly as hotels and boarding houses of all grades and prices. It is seldom, if ever, that a stranger cannot find comfortable quarters at a price consistent with his means.

Building Industries.
It is very regrettable that there are no figures at hand showing the number and value of buildings erected in the city for any given time. Suffice to say that everywhere you go you see new buildings rising and they are generally occupied before they are fully completed. The building trades find plenty of employment and at wages that are generally above the union scale.

Churches.
There are in the city ten separate church buildings, several of them being very nice and one fit to grace any city in the world. There are, of course, the usual number of church societies that have for their aim the enlightenment and uplifting of mankind.

Fuel.
There is but little wood used as fuel in the city, the people depending almost entirely on coal for fuel. On account of the splendid shipping facilities this fuel is as cheap here as at other points. One of the railroads is now being extended to the great coal fields of Young county and when completed will make it possible to secure a very fine grade of fuel at a very low price.

Postal Business.
The postal business is increasing at a very rapid rate and is now such that it is impossible for the force allowed by the government to handle it in a satisfactory manner. The postal receipts have already passed the \$15,000 mark and it is hoped that in a very short time free delivery will be established.

Chamber of Commerce.
This is an organization of big-hearted, public-spirited citizens, who have the best interests of the town in view and who never leave anything undone that will be of benefit to the whole populace. They well merit the encouragement they have received from the citizens generally and it is to be hoped that they will receive the assistance of every citizen to help build a great city.

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The Laundry.
To make any clothing extra stiff when laundering it is best to dry the garments first, then run through starch and dry the second time. Flour starch should not be used for dainty waists, since it gives a yellow tinge to them. A mixture of lump and gloss starch will be best, and such articles should be wrapped in damp towels instead of being sprinkled before ironing. First iron the sleeves, then the front, lastly the back and collar and place the waist to dry on a hanger made from a rolled newspaper tied in the middle with a string. This keeps the waist from creasing by being hung with other clothes on the rack. Small starched articles like cuffs and collars should be dried before the kitchen fire or they absorb any dampness in the room and become limp.

It has been rumored that Dr. H. A. Waller would give up the practice of dentistry and engage in the show business. Dr. Waller emphatically states that this rumor is without foundation. He wishes it to be understood that his dental office will be open from 8:30 a. m. until 5 p. m. 365 days in the year and that he will be ready to treat any dental case that is brought to him.

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many roads as any other city in the State north or west of Fort Worth excepting El Paso. There are now in operation into the city five distinct lines of railways, giving eight outlets for transportation in various directions. As it is a well known fact that railroads make a town, it is very apparent that it will only be a short time until Wichita Falls will take her place as one of the first cities of the State. Of the roads entering the city, three have their general offices here, giving employment to quite a number of men. There is one beautiful brick passenger depot, one freight depot and one combination passenger and freight depot in the city.

There arrive and depart every day sixteen passenger trains, besides which there are freight trains too numerous to count.

At present local people are building a railroad from Wichita Falls in the great pasture of Oklahoma recently allotted by the Government into quarter section farms, which will add millions to the commerce of the city in the near future. The same people are also building another road into Young county, where they own over 100,000 acres of very valuable coal fields, thus insuring to the city cheap fuel in the very near future, and anyone who is familiar with the problems of manufacturing knows what cheap fuel means.

Wholesale Trade.
There is one large wholesale house in the city at present and it reports a very prosperous business. With the shipping facilities the city now has and the manufacturing industries in operation and being installed, it will be but a short time until other wholesale houses will open up and Wichita Falls will take her proper place as a jobbing center.

Besides the wholesale mercantile establishment mentioned, there are grain and cotton dealers galore who, of course, handle all the allied products.

Banking Facilities.
There are in the city three banking institutions, two of them being national banks and the other chartered under the State banking laws. The aggregate capital of these institutions is \$250,000 and total resources nearly one million dollars.

Manufacturing.
Wichita Falls is making very rapid

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Wichita Falls, Texas, Sept. 27th, 1907.

The buying up and holding of valuable lots has been the cause of many a prosperous and thriving town to take a step backward. An examination of our city tax rolls show that vacant lots which have cost the owners not to exceed \$2,000 are being taxed at much less than that figure and yet the owners have been known to refuse twice that sum for their investment. They will not build, and by asking exorbitant prices for the property, prevent others from building, thereby retarding the progress of the city. It is for this reason, as the Times understands the situation, that our City Council have decided to locate our new City Hall on a site far removed from the business portion of the city. In the building of our splendid county court house conditions such as outlined above are said to have existed, and the commissioners selected a site for the building entirely too far away from the business portion of the city. With the terrible blunder made by our county commissioners years ago staring us in the face every day, are the taxpayers of Wichita Falls going to permit without protest the commission of a similar blunder—at least in some respects, as that committed by the county commissioners? If necessary to prevent such a grievous error, the difference between the amount the City Council in its wisdom thinks a fair price for a City Hall site more centrally located than the one which it is proposed to purchase and the price asked for the desired property by the owner should be made up by popular subscription.

T. C. Thatcher, cashier of the Farmers Bank and Trust Company, closed the contract yesterday with Brown and Cramer for the construction of a handsome brick residence to cost about \$10,000. The house will be built at the corner of Ninth and Bluff Streets and when completed will be one of the handsomest homes in the city.

PEANUTS PROFITABLE.

Carpenter Turns Farmer and the First Year Clears Several Thousand.

Mr. T. E. A. Buttrill, who lives fourteen miles north of Abilene was in this morning with a sample of this year's growth of peanuts. In speaking of his experience this year Mr Buttrill said:
"I had been working at the carpenter's trade for a number of years when I decided to try my luck on the farm, so this is my first year's experience raising peanuts. I rented this place sight unseen and as I was not familiar with the general appearance of shinnery countries I was very much disappointed when I first saw this farm and took quite a trip around over the country trying to find another place, but was unsuccessful. One of my neighbor friends suggested that I try peanuts and the result is I have 40 acres which promises a yield of 125 bushels to the acre and I am offered 87 cents per bushel for my entire crop as soon as gathered."—Abilene Reporter.

Ingersoll on Intemperance.

It feeds rheumatism, nurses gout, welcomes epidemics, invites cholera, imports pestilence and embraces consumption. It covers the land with idleness, misery and crime. It fills your jails, fills your almshouses and demands your asylums. It engages your penitentiaries and furnishes victims to your scaffolds. It is the life blood of the gambler, the element of the burglar, the prop of the highwayman, and the support of the midnight incendiary. It countenances the liar, respects the thief, esteems the blasphemer. It violates obligations, reverences fraud, and dishonors innocence. It defames benevolence, hates love, scorns virtue, and slanders innocence. It excites the father to butcher his helpless offspring and helps the husband to massacre his wife, and the child to grind the parricidal axe. It burns up men, consumes women, detests life, curses God, and despises heaven. It suborns witnesses, nurses perjury, defiles the jury box and stains the judicial ermine. It degrades the citizens and statesmen and disarms the patriot. It brings shame, not honor, terror, not safety, despair, not hope, misery, not happiness, and with the benevolence of a fiend it calmly survives its frightful desolation and unsatisfied with its havoc, it poisons felicity, kills peace, ruins morals, blights confidence, slays reputation and wipes out national honors, then curses the world and laughs at its ruin. It does all that and more—it murders the soul. It is the son of villainies, the father of all crimes, the mother of abominations, the devil's best friend and God's worst enemy.

Water Shortage at Henrietta.

Henrietta is confronted with a shortage of water supply in the public reservoirs, and a hardship is thus placed on those who depend on the hydrants. Happily, very few families are affected. But a hardship is put on the ginners who must haul water to run on. As to danger from fire, a little water is being hoarded in the reservoir, and in case it becomes necessary this will be supplied direct to the fire plugs, and the chemical has been put into thorough order for emergencies. Many patrons of the city water works have let the water flow all summer without let. And now we shall have plenty again "when it rains."—Henrietta Review.

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Velvet Blouses.

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IN A STOLEN RIG

Young Man Drove From Seymour to Oklahoma to See Sweetheart.

Officer Ed. Craddock of Seymour passed through the city yesterday, having in custody a prisoner who was wanted at Childress. The prisoner's name was Will Capp, and he was wanted at Seymour to answer to a charge of stealing a horse and buggy from Skinner & Edmundson's livery stable.

On September 10th Capp appeared at the livery stable and hired a horse and buggy to drive to a point about four miles out into the country. Capp failed to return with the rig and was traced to Oklahoma, where he had visited his sweetheart and then to his father's home near Childress, where he was arrested.

Capp claimed when arrested that he had not intended to steal the rig and that within a few days he had planned to drive back to Seymour.

TO CLOSE MEETING.

American Bankers' Association Will Close Annual Meeting.

By Associated Press. Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 27.--With the big question of credit currency out of the way the members of the American Bankers' Association in annual convention here will close today with a discussion of practical banking questions. The bankers will hold a sort of symposium at which many important questions of every day banking business will come up for consideration.

Another feature of the session will be the address by President H. E. Ingalls of the Merchants' National Bank of Cincinnati, who will speak on "Our Present and Future Prosperity."

ON THE FATHER OF RIVERS.

Inland Waterways Commission Proceeds on Trip After Short Stop in St. Paul, Minn.

By Associated Press. St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 27.--The Inland Waterways Commission arrived at St. Paul from Duluth this morning and were at once taken to the Commercial Club, where breakfast was served. After the meal, addresses were made by J. J. Hill, Archbishop Ireland and others, and the commission was then escorted to the Sibley street dock, where they boarded the steamer for their trip down the river.

Just like a visit to the "Mines and Forge" itself is that picture at the Majestic.

AGAIN LOWERS RECORD.

Lusitania Arrived at Queenstown This Morning.

By Associated Press. Queenstown, 3 a. m.--The steamer Lusitania arrived here, having made the eastward passage across the Atlantic in five days, four hours and nineteen minutes, at an average speed of 22.58 knots.

Arrives at Liverpool.

Liverpool, Eng., Sept. 27.--The Lusitania arrived here at 4 p. m. and was greeted by a large crowd of people.

The balloon ascension, which is one of the attractions of the Cole Younger-Nichols carnival now exhibiting here, came off this afternoon. That is the balloon went up but came down again before the aeronaut could cut loose. The balloon and its passenger landed in the middle of Seventh street at the Denver tracks. After the parachute was cut loose the balloon rose again and floated about a mile before it came to earth.

Good cotton in the lint was selling here today at 11 1/2 cents. This was the top figure and was paid only for the best cotton in the market. Cotton in the seed sold as high as 4.20. Both the Farmers' Union and Wigham gins received more cotton today than they could gin. At Byers yesterday 189 bales had been ginned and at Charlie 65 bales.

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The Christian Revival.

The meetings continue with increasing interest. Two made the good confession last night and two the night before, making forty-two added since we began. The question box is attracting attention. Some very interesting queries were put in and answered last night. Brother Lockhart seems equal to the occasion, so bring on your questions if you have them. He is anxious that all shall fully understand him if he does not make any matter sufficiently plain in the sermon. Fire a question at him and sign your name. He will not call out this, but this shows sincerity. The sermon last night was a strong, bold presentation of the pleas of the Christian church on "Why I am a Member of the Christian Church." The preacher said in part: "I find that many persons are what they are religiously from associations and talking with a very intelligent man who said he was a member of the church he was in because his wife was. He could have joined any other church, Catholic or Protestant, just as well, for he had never given the subject any serious thought. Yet in politics and business he was well posted. Now," said the preacher, "perhaps I am just what I am because my parents and associates were. One should be a Christian from convictions deep and strong. You shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free." He gave nine reasons why he is what he is religiously. Among them were these: The Christian church takes the Bible, the whole book, as it is without any man's interpretation as their guide in all matters of religion, discarding all human creeds and formulas, to govern the church. They exalt the Christ as no other people do as head and Lord over all things to His church. This is seen in the confession they require when persons come to be received and by the name they bear. Because of their broad liberal spirit they have allowed every man to interpret the scriptures for himself.

Yet all must be loyal to the Christ. Where the Bible speaks plainly there is an end to all controversy, hence the motto which has been our slogan, "Where the Bible speaks, we speak; and where the Bible is silent we are silent." In matters of opinion, the largest liberality, hence we never have any heresy trials. Because of the name they bear—Christian church—not that we are the only Christians—but Christian only. Finally, we teach the conditions of salvation as given in the words of the Holy Spirit, and not adulterated nor altered by man nor councils. Faith in Jesus with the whole heart. True, genuine repentance for all sin. The confession that "Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God" believed with the whole heart and baptism just as administered in the days of the inspired apostles as the conditions of salvation and admission to the church, and then a good life, adding all the Christian graces and adorning the virtues; assuring such that they will reach heaven at last. Not one who believes the Bible will dare say such are not Christians and safe for heaven.

Services continue over the Lord's Day. The subject tonight is "The conversion of the best man mentioned in the Bible outside the church." No services tomorrow morning. Baptism at the church at 4 p. m. Saturday. Come and bring your friends.
A. J. BUSH, Pastor.

The Oldest Man in Wichita Falls.
Isiah M. Thompson is probably the oldest man in Wichita Falls. He was born in Clayborne county Mississippi in 1812, before Mississippi became a state. He has been married three times and is the father of nine children. He joined the Christian church fifty years ago, but having no church fellowship dropped out of the church and now believes more in the Millennial Dawn than in any other creed. He never was a whiskey drinker and has lived a temperate life. To these facts he attributes his long life.
Up until two years ago he was quite active, making gardens each season, which he cultivated himself. He is now residing in our city with his son-in-law, Mr. Jones.
A. J. BUSH.

Mr. Jack Roseleigh as Peter Amos Dunn, the leading comedy part in "The Mysterious Model" at the Wichita Theater Monday, Sept. 30th. Ladies free Monday night under usual conditions. Seats on sale at Noble's book store. 117-11

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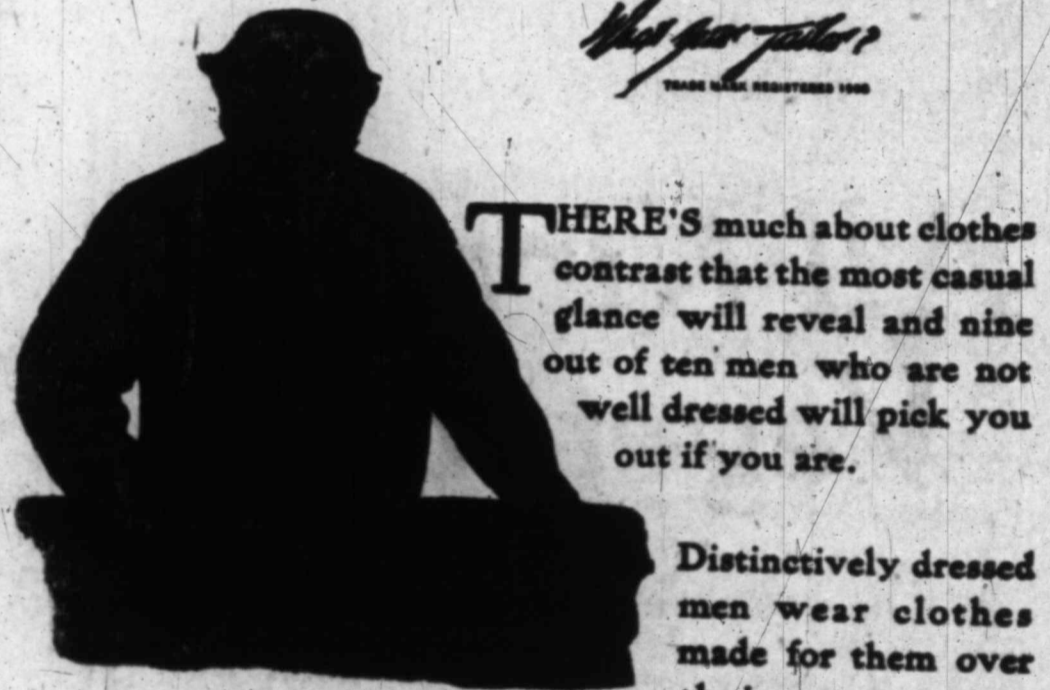
INDIANS GET GRASS MONEY AND ATTEND THE FAIR.

The Indians are attending the fair today. They all have money in their pockets and the merry-go-round and the side shows and red lemonade stands are doing a thriving business. The money for the Indian payments came in yesterday, and the Indians are receiving their grass money that has been hanging fire for over thirty days. The usual allowance was in the past \$50 to each Indian, but on account of the opening of the big pasture, and the discontinuance of the cattle leases the fund was depleted and each Indian was only appropriated \$30.00. The Indians in council refused to accept this and the matter has been hanging fire and the Indians have been in camp waiting for Uncle Sam to pay up the amount demanded. After the long wait and fairs, watermelons and red lemonade in sight they are ready to take what they can get. They are taking their money and coming to town as fast as they can to get it in circulation.—Lawton Democrat.

Nice Things About Terrill.

A. D. Terrill left Monday for Wichita Falls, where he was called by the Farmers Union Warehouse and Gin company to a good and responsible position. He will keep the books for the entire concern, and in addition will have personal charge as manager of the cotton warehouse. Mr. Terrill, as most of us well know, has ample ability, is of unimpeachable integrity and is as true as steel in his manhood. He leaves nothing undone that the natural limitations of one man admit of reaching. The Farmers Union business company at the Falls is fortunate to have secured his services.—Henrietta Review.

We have a shipment of fresh vegetables from Denver for Saturday's trade. Phone us.
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There's much about clothes contrast that the most casual glance will reveal and nine out of ten men who are not well dressed will pick you out if you are.
Distinctively dressed men wear clothes made for them over their respective forms. The man with rounded shoulders and a hollow chest gets an anti-cave-in coat, and the man with a full chest and erect carriage has his fabric moulded in the same good way.
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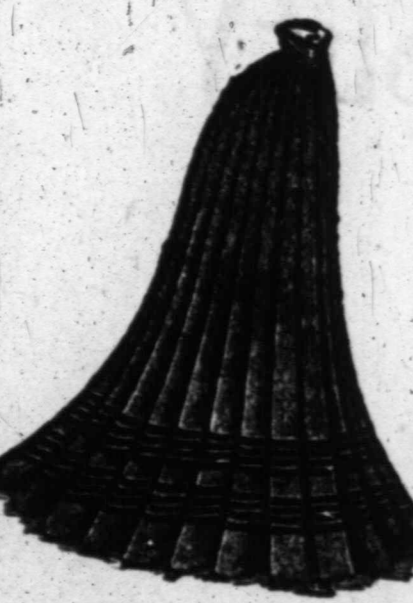
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Ladies' Cloaks

In this department you will find the very newest, both in style and material, and the prices are within range of the most economical buyer. Your coat should be 30 inches long. We have them in black, tan, oyster and the new leather shades. A look through our cloak department will convince you that our store is the place to buy your suit or cloak.

The men and boys have been very carefully looked after in our selection of fall and winter clothing. We have the snappiest patterns made by one of America's foremost clothing manufacturers. Any suit that you select will be made to fit you free of charge. Men's and boy's black all wool suits, \$20 to \$25.00. Children's clothing at strikingly low prices.

All our lady customers are going to be better pleased in ladies' foot wear this season than previously. We have a larger stock consequently more styles to choose from. The style, wearing qualities and low prices of our ladies' shoe department is the most popular one in town. See our selby shoes at \$1.00.

Some very beautiful patterns in Prunella cloth, Broad cloth and worsteds, as well as woolen goods are here waiting for your inspection. Our ladies' dress goods department has long since been the main distributing point for dress goods in our city. We have a careful buyer for this department who knows his business. There are too many different goods and too many different prices to tire you by quoting them. There are new goods arriving every day. It is to your interest to see them.

Our Shoe Department, like it is every season, is way ahead of every shoe department in town. One reason for this is because we buy from high class manufacturers that know how to make good shoes. Our stock consists of Hiram, Crossett, Abbott and Star Brand shoes for men; Selby, Lewis and Star Brand for Ladies and Children—the kind that are made in St. Louis by Roberts, Johnson & Rand Shoe Co. Every time we sell you a pair of shoes we know you are coming back to us for your shoes for all time to come, because they will please you every time.

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THE KELL DECISION

JUDGE GILLETTE HELD THE BIG PASTURE PUBLIC DOMAIN.

INDIANS HAD NO RIGHT

Which Could Enjoin the Condemnation of Such Lands—Sweeping Victory for the Railroad.

In sustaining the demurrer of the Wichita Falls and Northwestern Railway, John W. Field and the citizens of Kell to the petition of the United States and the Kiowa and Comanche tribes of Indians for an injunction against the defendants, the Railway Company, J. W. Field, et al., Federal Judge Gillette at Lawton held, this week, that the petition did not state facts sufficient to constitute a cause of action and the temporary restraining order was dissolved and the defendants can proceed with the development of Kell undisturbed.

It will be remembered that the petition praying for an injunction against the defendants named above was filed in the Federal Courts at Lawton several months ago. The suit arose out of the condemnation of land and the occupancy of the same by the railroad company from a homestead claim held by John W. Field.

The petition set forth that the United States was the holder of the legal title to the land in question for the use and benefit of the Indian tribes, subject to the right of defendant Field to acquire title thereto under the act of Congress. The petition then recited that the railroad company, by condemnation proceedings under the authority of the statutes of Oklahoma had proceeded to condemn and take possession of a portion of said land, without complying with certain acts of Congress, for use for a depot, warehouse, spurs, sidetracks, etc.

The defendants in their answer freely admitted the occupancy of the land in question, but denied that the Indian tribes or the United States, at and after, the commencement of the condemnation proceedings were in the possession or the occupancy of the land.

In his decision favoring the railroad, Judge Gillette stated the question at issue in the following manner:

"This case, when stripped of all verbiage, presents the question, whether or not the defendant railroad company can, by condemnation, under the provisions of the statutes of Oklahoma acquire a right to the occupancy of the land claimed of?"

Judge Gillette then proceeded to trace the status of the land involved through the several Indian treaties and outlined acts of Congress passed relative to the same.

After a careful investigation of the acts of Congress, treaties with the Indian tribes, etc., he found that the land involved was a part of the 480,000 acres of land held for the use of the Indian tribes named for their use in common, until after the passage of the act of June 5, 1906, when they were authorized to be sold, and they were not sold as Indian land. He quotes the act of June 5, 1906 in support of this view, and said:

"By the repeal of the act setting apart the 480,000 acres of land, such land was restored to the public domain." There was then no tribal right to be condemned. There was no Indian chief to give notice to; no governor or any tribe entitled to notice. The Indians had no right in the land because the act of Congress repealed and vacated all of the right they had in the land and thereafter their benefit must accrue to them through the sum realized by the government in disposing of the land under the provisions of the homestead law.

Having established the status of the land as a part of the public domain, Judge Gillette then answered the question how a railroad could acquire title in the land.

He quotes the act of Congress of March, 1875 which provide as follows:

The right-of-way through public lands of the United States is hereby granted to any railroad company duly organized under the laws of any state or territory."

organized under the laws of any state noticed that the Indian title has been wholly extinguished. With the Indian title extinguished, and the statute of 1875 granting the right so far as the government is concerned, there would seem to be but little left as a foundation for the act.

Visit the Olympic for an hour's pleasure.

BODY FOUND IN DENVER TANK

is Believed By His Sons to be That of Andrew Koriorth of Sherman.

J. C. Koriorth, of Sherman, and his brother, Andrew Koriorth, of Dam Site, were in the city yesterday investigating into the finding of the body of the unknown man at the Denver railway tank on September 16th.

From the description of the body and other facts they are convinced that the dead man was their father, Andrew Koriorth.

The brothers identified the watch found upon the body as one belonging their father. The elder Koriorth left Sherman about three weeks ago to visit his son, Andrew Koriorth, at Dam Site, and that was the last trace of him his family has succeeded in finding.

His son Andrew Koriorth, of Dam Site, had his attention called to a clipping from a local paper giving an account of the finding of the body here. He at once informed his brother at Sherman, who had supposed his father had reached Dam Site safely. Both sons then started an investigation which resulted in their visit to Wichita Falls.

Whether their father reached this city, his sons have as yet been unable to learn. They say that he had a German friend, H. Schmitz, who lives a few miles out of town whom he would have visited had he reached this city. They are now trying to find Mr. Schmitz to learn whether he saw their father.

J. C. Koriorth does not know whether his father left Sherman on a passenger train or not, but does know that he had some money when he left home. There was no money on the body found in the tank, and his sons believe that their father may have met with foul play and his body thrown in the tank. J. C. Koriorth says that his father had been in poor health for some time, but does not believe that he would have committed suicide.

The two sons are now investigating into the circumstances and will try to trace their father from the time he left Sherman. They have already telegraphed their mother at Sherman to find how much money their father had and the exact time of his leaving Sherman.

Will Disinter Body.

The Messrs. Koriorth left last night for Damsite, after making arrangements to have the body exhumed and shipped to Sherman for burial.

Before leaving they expressed their gratitude to Sheriff Davis, Mr. Wagner, Coroner Brothers, the newspapers and others who assisted them by giving information and other help in connection with the case. They will return here Sunday to accompany the body to Sherman for burial.

The New Wichita Theatre

Messrs. Pack and Hatcher are making good progress on the building for the new theatre at the corner of Eighth Street and Scott Avenue. The stage of the new theatre is 24 by 40 feet in ground dimension and the arch is fifteen feet high. The auditorium is 40 by 150 feet and is enclosed with board walls. For the immediate future this will be uncovered but a roof will be erected in the course of a few weeks. The theatre will open on the night of Monday, September 30th with Whelan's Comedy as the attraction.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church will have a market Saturday September 28th at Jourdan's furniture store, beginning at 10 o'clock. Come and get your Sunday dinner.

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WORK BEING PUSHED.

On Contract for Twenty-Five New Houses by the Wichita Development Company.

The contractors are pushing the work on the twenty-five new houses being built by the Wichita Development Company in the Crescent Lake addition and will soon have a block of these houses ready for occupancy by tenants who are awaiting their completion.

Fifteen of the twenty-five houses are under construction and the foundations are laid for the remaining ten. The houses now being built are mostly located on Burnett and Austin Ave. Nineteen of them will be four room structures, three will have five rooms and three will have six rooms. All of these houses will have bath rooms and will be wired for electric lights and fitted with plumbing. They are built on solid concrete foundations and will have creosote stained bases and roofs and will be an attractive and convenient lot of cottages as can be found anywhere.

The fill across Crescent Lake is to be widened, the water mains will be extended into the new addition and concrete sidewalks will be laid at once.

Under the plan that has been adopted by the Development Company new houses will be built on the remaining seventy-five lots it owns in the addition from time to time, for whenever a house is sold by them another will be built.

In building these houses the Development Company is meeting a need that is imperative and is filling a want that has long been felt.

Bridge Club Meets.

The Bridge Club met in regular session with Mrs. T. W. Roberts Thursday afternoon.

The hostess entertaining in her characteristic way. Mrs. Jannet F. Lobdell made the high score.

Be sure to see the beautiful hand colored "Mine and Forge Scene" at the Majestic tonight.

Palmist

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PERSONAL MENTION

Judge J. H. Barwise left yesterday for Clarendon on business.

Judge S. H. Hodges left this morning for Nocomo and Whitesboro.

Mrs. R. E. Clopton returned today from Dallas, where she has been on business.

Joe Wolf, a prominent farmer and cowman of Charlie, was here yesterday on business.

A. A. Honaker, a prominent citizen of Electra, was doing business in the city yesterday.

Mrs. G. F. Campbell of Meridian was in the city yesterday en route to Seymour to visit relatives.

Mrs. E. B. Kinsell of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting her sister, Mrs. G. W. Corkhill, of this city.

Rev. I. N. Crutchfield of Georgetown passed through the city yesterday en route home from Vernon.

F. P. Grigg, the popular salesman for Swift & Company of Fort Worth, is in the city calling on his trade.

Sidney Webb, a capitalist of Bellevue, was here yesterday en route to his ranch in Archer county.

Tom Waggoner of Fort Worth was in the city yesterday on his return home from a business trip to Electra.

Messrs. Stafford Helm and C. C. Smyth, two enterprising young men of Dundee, were in the city yesterday on business.

Messrs. C. J. Shumake, C. L. and Lank Thornberry, all prosperous farmers of Thornberry, were transacting business in the city yesterday.

J. E. Sanders, a prominent business man of Stamford, who has been transacting business in this city for several days, left for his home yesterday.

Rev. H. M. Brooks, and family of Paris, Ill., were in the city yesterday en route to Seymour, where Rev. Brooks goes to serve as pastor of the Christian church.

Mr. Dunnington of Palestine, Texas, is visiting R. F. Simpson and family. Mr. Dunnington was formerly a resident of this city, having moved from this place to Palestine about twelve years ago.

Ellis Robertson of Dalhart is in the city shaking hands with friends. He is stenographer for the Rock Island office in that city.

Mr. J. W. Lee, who has been quite sick with rheumatism for the past two or three days, is some better today, being able to leave his bed and with the aid of crutches walk about a little.

Rev. H. A. Goodwin and L. H. Lawler left yesterday for Harrold to attend the Fifth Sunday meeting of the Red Cross Association, which convened there last night.

L. L. Shropshire, traveling auditor for the Waples-Platter Grocery Company of Fort Worth, was in the city today on his return home from Seymour, where he has been attending to business for his company.

H. W. Perkins of Munday was in the city today on his return from Roswell, New Mexico, where he had been visiting relatives. Mr. Perkins has resigned his position as station agent at Munday to accept a position with the Wichita Valley as depot agent at Petrolia and will be checked in next Monday.

STEAMER SANK.

Cabin Boys and Part of the Crew are Missing.

By Associated Press.

New Orleans, La., Sept. 27.—The steamboat Dial, running in the lower coast trade and loaded with oysters, rice and oranges, sank here this morning while landing at the foot of Bienville street, and three negro cabin boys and a part of her crew are unaccounted for. Many of the crew were rescued by persons on the wharf.

SIX HUNDRED WERE DROWNED.

Great Floods Prevail in Portions of Japan—Fatalities Reported.

By Associated Press.

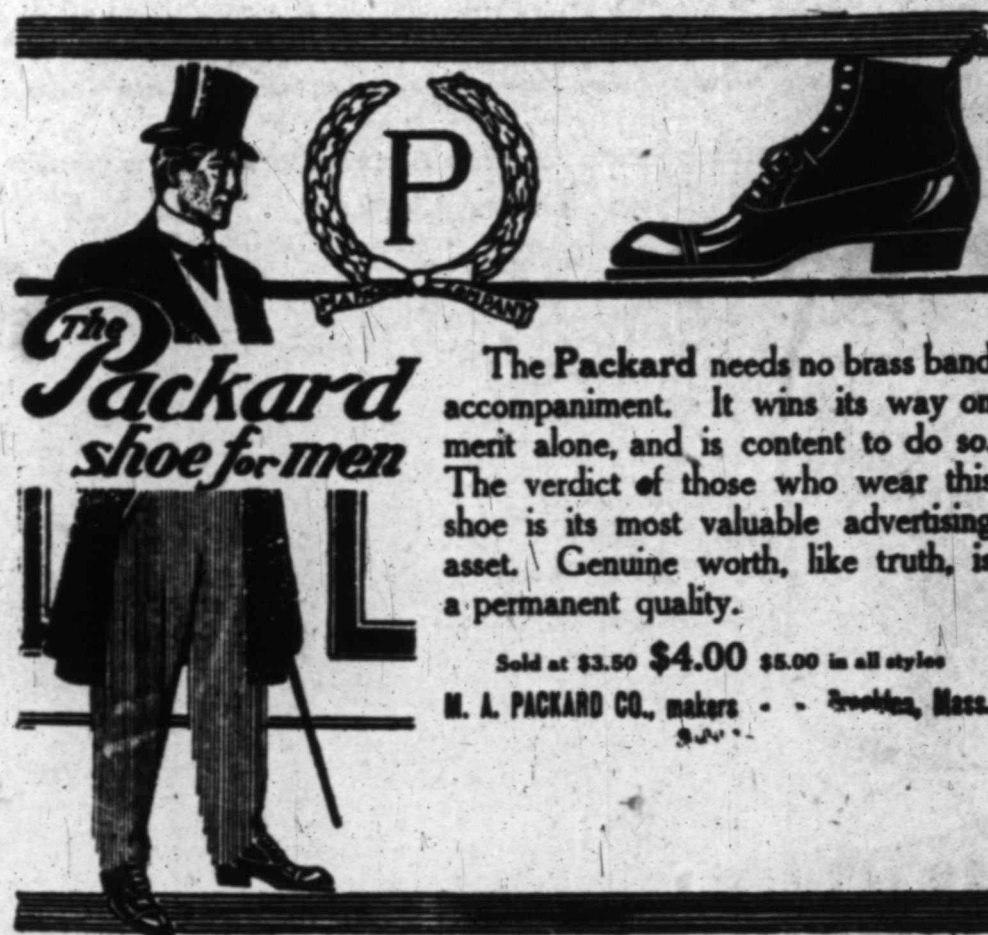
Victoria, B. C., Sept. 27.—Advices of a terrible disaster due to the great floods prevailing in Japan have been received here. In the overflow of the river Otonashigawa, running through the town of Fukuchiyama near Kyoto, more than six hundred persons were drowned. The river rose to a height of more than fifty feet.

A 7-year old girl belonging to a family who were moving through the country, died a few miles from town last night and was buried today. The name of the child or the particulars of her death could not be learned today.

We receive our California grapes three times each week. Phone us your Saturday's order.

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The Denver passenger depot is being brightened up with a new coat of varnish on the ceiling and kalsomine on the walls. The woodwork of the interior and the furniture will also receive a coat of varnish.

We are getting regular shipments of pumpkin yam sweet potatoes and are selling them at 50c a peck. Phone us your order.

TREVATHAN & BLAND.

New and bright specialties are introduced during the performance of "The Mysterious Model" at the Wichita Theater Monday, September 30th, by Whitman's Comedians. Seats on sale at Noble's book store. 117-11

Have Patty the Tailor to press your suit. First class work guaranteed. One door west of St. Charles restaurant. 114-61

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Still another show is coming. Pawnee Bill's Wild West show will exhibit here on October 9th.

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