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## A COTTON EXCHANGE

FUNCTIONS OF A LEGITIMATE EXCHANGE DISCUSSED BY W. B. THOMPSON.

## CO-OPERATION IS URGED

South is Mulcted of Rich Tribute By Lack of Facilities For Marketing the Crop.

By Associated Press.  
Dallas, Tex., Feb. 19.—At this afternoon's session of the Southern Cotton Association, Mr. W. B. Thompson, president of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange, spoke upon the functions of a legitimate exchange. In part he said as follows:

"The cotton growers of the South are the greatest wealth producers of the world. The cotton growing industry is potential to make the South the richest country in the world. In the years gone by, because of helplessness or apathy, and then because of the habit of submission, the South has realized the minimum benefit from its great opportunity, and like a blind and listless Dives has accepted the crumbs, while the body of the feast has been swept away and fed to others."

"The cotton crop of the United States for the past four years has averaged a little over twelve million bales per year. The average value of each of these crops was six hundred and fifty million dollars. Of this total average crop, seven and one-half million bales, were exported to foreign countries and were exchanged for four hundred million dollars. This enormous value is each year created. It is hatched from nothing and added to the wealth of the world. It is as if each year the cotton growing States discovered a gold mine that yielded one cent to a billion dollars. A difference of one cent per pound in the price realized for the crop each year means a difference of over sixty million dollars."

"We know that our salvation lies in the gradual marketing of the crop on an economical basis; in supplying demand as it needs the cotton and is willing to pay value for it, and in withholding the surplus until demand calls for more supply. The question is how to regulate supply so that it will not overwhelm demand, and how to market the crop at the least expense. My answer to this great question is that the desired and beneficial conclusion can be reached and reached only through an active and earnest cooperation between the farmer, capital and a legitimate exchange."

"The function of a legitimate cotton exchange is to improve the market for cotton; to devise ways for minimizing the cost of marketing the crop, and to provide means to both producer and consumer for protection against demoralizing interruptions to the natural course of trade."

"The function of an exchange in its simplest form is to provide a convenient place where buyers and sellers may be brought together and trading conducted at less expense, with more facility and in greater volume than could be done if the traders were separated; to establish communication with other markets, both foreign and domestic and to collect and disseminate information and statistics for the benefit and enlightenment of the trade; to frame fair and equitable rules for the government of its members and the trading between them, and to establish tribunals before which disputes might be settled and punishment inflicted upon offenders against honorable conduct in business."

"In discussing the benefits of legitimate trading in futures, Mr. Thompson declared:  
"Future trading is beneficial and sustaining as a broadening factor in marketing the cotton crop, because it is in effect an insurance policy protecting those who handle both the actual cotton and the manufactured product. Without the future contract the spinner could not make contracts to sell his goods ahead; for the reason

that he could not contract ahead for the raw material, he could not contract ahead to sell the manufactured product. Or if he did so contract ahead to sell the manufactured product without having protected himself by a future contract of purchase of the raw material, he would be obliged to ask a price for his product high enough to protect him against the loss he might make, due to an advance in the price of the raw material. In other words, he would compel the purchaser of his goods to put up for him a margin to protect him against a loss that he might make on his speculative contract with the purchaser. This increase in price would operate to restrict orders for his goods and this in turn would lessen the demand for the raw material. By reason of the protection afforded by a future contract a merchant may buy specific grades of cotton and hold it until such time as the spinner needs it, or he may contract ahead with the spinner to supply the latter with certain grades and wait for the cotton to come to the market, thus creating a forward demand which is a strong sustaining power to the market."

However, certain flagrant and spectacular evils have attached themselves to trading in futures. The first and worst of these is the bucket shop."

"The bucket shop," the speaker declared, "is responsible for the most pernicious and by far the most far-reaching phase of the gambling disease that has obsessed the South. The destruction of it would eliminate the most conspicuous and serious charge that has been made, but unjustly made against future trading and legitimate exchanges."

"But it is not to be denied that even in the exchanges there are many contracts bought and sold for a purely speculative purpose."

"The New Orleans Cotton Exchange is a legitimate exchange. The contract for future delivery prescribed by the rules of the exchange is an honest contract. This contract calls for the actual delivery of the cotton, and either party thereto can enforce its provisions under the rules of the exchange or in the courts of law."

"The New Orleans Cotton Exchange is the only friend the producer has among all the great exchanges of the world. Its membership is made up largely of men born in the South, and men who are in sympathy with the producer, and whose interests are directly or indirectly interwoven with the producer's interest. If proof is needed of this assertion, it is to be found in the fact that the New Orleans Exchange has always led in all the great upward movements of cotton. Even now, when its business is crippled, and its influence and power diminished by the acts of those who should be its friends, it still shows its loyalty and character by maintaining both its spot and contract markets actually higher than any market in this country and relatively higher than any market in the world."

"When I see that from all the wealth that flows from the cotton field, the farmer saves only a bare living, the merchant a proportionately small profit and the laborer the minimum of employment, I am amazed and grieved at the injustice of it all. We are permitted to make the cotton and bale it. We are permitted to do the work without interference and then the assault begins. The effort is made to force us to sell at once. When sold the railroad companies, owned by outside capital and with no interest in us except for the freight we give them, rush the cotton through our ports and dump it into

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## TAFT IS ENDORSED.

New Mexico Republicans Pass Strong Resolutions.  
By Associated Press.  
Albuquerque, N. M., Feb. 19.—The New Mexico territorial republican committee has adopted strong resolutions endorsing the candidacy of William H. Taft for the republican presidential nomination.

## UNO AND INO JOINTS

COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEALS HOLDS TAX BILL UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

## MEASURE NOT UNIFORM

Druggists, Too, Permitted to Sell Without a License.

Special to the Times.  
Dallas, Tex., Feb. 19.—The court of criminal appeals today knocked out the law levying a \$2,500 tax on "Uno and Ino" dealers, passed by the last legislature. The case was that of ex-parte Woods from Orange county and the court holds the act unconstitutional on account of the legislature levying an occupation tax of two thousand dollars on the sale of non-intoxicating liquors in local option territory, because it is not uniform throughout the State and because the provision authorizes druggists to sell such liquors without paying the tax.

## UNEQUIVOCAL DENIAL.

No Protest Contemplated By United States to Japanese Government.

By Associated Press.  
Washington, D. C., Feb. 19.—Rumors to the effect that the state department was about to address a protest to Japan against her attitude toward Manchuria and that this was to be done at the instance of the Chinese government, met with an unequivocal denial at the State department.

## BLIZZARD STILL BLOWING.

Cold Shows No Abatement in Chicago. Traffic Delayed.

By Associated Press.  
Chicago, Ill., Feb. 19.—The blizzard which began here yesterday is still in progress today. Traffic on all surface and elevated street car lines, as well as steam roads, is greatly delayed. Trains from the west today arrived from one to eight hours late.

## FREE DELIVERY ON JUNE 15TH

Postmaster Bacon received a letter today from First Assistant Postmaster General Hitchcock, stating that free mail delivery with four carriers would be established in this city on June 15th next.

The letter is as follows:  
Postoffice Department, First Assistant Postmaster General, Washington, D. C., Feb. 15th, 1908.

Hon. Otis T. Bacon, Postmaster, Wichita Falls, Texas:

My Dear Sir:— Before closing my work as First Assistant Postmaster General, which I expect to do tonight, I have had the pleasure of signing an order that will authorize the establishment of city delivery service at your office on June 15th next, with the appointment of four letter carriers. This should enable you to give the people of Wichita Falls a still more satisfactory postal service. Yours very truly,

F. H. HITCHCOCK.

## ACTOR DROPPED DEAD.

Carlyle Dropped Dead From Heart Disease as He Was Leaving Stage.

By Associated Press.  
Grand Junction, Colo., Feb. 19.—Hal Norton Carlyle, of New York, an actor of national prominence, filling one of the leading roles in "The Wheel of Love" company, dropped dead last night just as he was about to go on the stage for the second act. Heart disease caused his death. He was 65 years old.

I. C. Alley, who was arrested yesterday on a charge of theft in connection with the robbery of the Wichita cafe Saturday night, was turned out of jail this morning by Sheriff Davis, because he had been exposed to smallpox and Mr. Davis wants to avoid another outbreak of smallpox at the jail.

## Wyoming Man Arrested.

City Marshal Bob Anderson of Nocomo, Texas, while on his way to Wichita Falls yesterday, saw a man standing on the depot platform at Ringgold, whom he recognized as George W. Davis, wanted at Douglas, Wyoming, on the charge of disposing of mortgaged property.

There is a reward of \$250 offered for the arrest of Davis, and pictures of him printed on postal cards were sent to officers all over the country. One of these cards came to the city marshal of Nocomo, and he placed it in his pocket and when he saw the man on the platform at Ringgold yesterday morning he took the card out and made a comparison and concluded that the man fitted the picture. He got off the train and placed him under arrest, and then showed Davis the postal card with his picture. He admitted that he was the man wanted.

Mr. Anderson brought his prisoner on to Wichita Falls with him and left on the first southbound train for Bowie, where he left the train and went by stage to Montague to place Davis in jail to await the arrival of the Wyoming officers.

## MESSAGE FROM FLEET.

Speed Reduced to Eight Miles an Hour. Evans' Health Not Good.

By Associated Press.  
Lima, Peru, Feb. 19.—A wireless message, dated yesterday at 12:45 in the afternoon has just been received from the American battleship fleet. It says that the squadron was then two hundred and twenty-four miles from Callao. The speed has been reduced to eight miles an hour.

The message says also that Rear Admiral Evans has not recovered his health.

## STOESSEL JURY RETIRES.

Defendants Ordered to Appear in Court Tomorrow for Sentence.

By Associated Press.  
St. Petersburg, Feb. 19.—The court which has been trying Lieutenant General Stoessel for the surrender of Port Arthur to the Japanese, retired for deliberation at noon today, after ordering General Stoessel and the other defendants in the courtmartial proceedings, General Fock and General Rebs, to appear on February 20th, at 11 a. m., when sentence is expected to be pronounced.

## CONVENTION ASSEMBLED.

Southern Cotton Growers in Annual Convention.

By Associated Press.  
Dallas, Tex., Feb. 19.—The Southern Cotton Association assembled in annual convention at the fair grounds auditorium in this city today. The delegates were present from all the Southern States. President Harvie Jordan called the meeting to order and will preside over the deliberations of the convention.

## COMES UP MONDAY.

Oklahoma Senate Will Consider the Amended Billups Measure.

Special to the Times.  
Guthrie, Ok., Feb. 19.—The legislature today received the report of the conference committee that has considered the Billups prohibition bill. It comes out as the Billups bill amended. The senate voted to consider the bill Monday.

## Bryan at Hamilton, Ohio.

By Associated Press.  
Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 19.—William J. Bryan left Columbus today for Hamilton, Ohio, where he will make an address this evening.

## BREAKS SHEARING RECORD.

Arizona Man Shears 325 Sheep in Nine Hours.  
By Associated Press.  
Phoenix, Ariz., Feb. 19.—The world's record for shearing sheep by machinery was broken yesterday by a man named F. Hill, who sheared three hundred and twenty-five sheep in nine hours.

## IS CONSTITUTIONAL

OKLAHOMA JUDGE HOLDS DEPOSIT GUARANTEE ASSESSMENT IS VALID.

## INJUNCTION DENIED

Refuses to Issue Order Restraining the Levy of Assessments Upon Bank.

Special to the Times.  
Guthrie, Ok., Feb. 19.—District Judge Huston today refused to grant an order restraining the State banking board from levying assessments on State banks to create a guaranty fund as provided by the depositors' guaranty law, and holds that the law is constitutional. The application for the injunction was made by the Noble State bank.

The bank will appeal to the Supreme court from Judge Huston's decision.

## COULD DENIES RUMOR.

Says Positively Receivership for Missouri Pacific is Not Thought of.

By Associated Press.  
New York, Feb. 19.—Reports which have been circulated in the West for several days to the effect that a receivership was about to be asked for by the Missouri-Pacific railway were given a positive denial today by George J. Gould, president of the road. Mr. Gould said that a receivership had not been thought of and there was not the remotest possibility of such proceedings.

## JAPANESE EMIGRATION.

Japan Would Require Practical Prohibition of Labor Emigrants.

Tokio, Japan, Feb. 19.—A memorandum of the Japanese government's reply to the United States on the subject of emigration was handed Ambassador O'Brien today. It is understood that Japan agrees to the general terms of the suggestions of the American government, and further requires restriction of emigration by a practical prohibition of laborers to America.

## FIERCE FIGHT WITH MOORS.

French and Moors Have Desperate Encounter in a Narrow Defile.

By Associated Press.  
Paris, France, Feb. 19.—A dispatch received here from Morocco says that the French had a serious battle on February 16th and 17th with Moors. The French casualties were light, but the Moors lost was heavy. The encounter took place in a narrow defile and were marked by a series of fierce struggles at the point of the bayonet.

## ASK FOR MANDAMUS WRIT.

Metropolitan Files Petition in the Supreme Court.

Special to the Times.  
Austin, Tex., Feb. 19.—The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company today filed an application for a writ of mandamus in the Supreme court to compel Commissioner Love to issue license permitting that company to transact business in Texas. The company is testing the Robertson insurance law.

## IN NEW HAMPSHIRE.

Secretary Taft is Guest of Governor Floyd at Manchester.

By Associated Press.  
Manchester, N. H., Feb. 19.—Secretary Taft was a guest during the night at the residence of Governor Floyd. Early today he started on a tour about the city. The weather was cold and a light snow was falling, but Secretary Taft and his escort drove about the city in an open carriage.

## SITUATION MORE SERIOUS.

Floods Cover Many Thousand Acres in Southern Indiana.

By Associated Press.  
Indianapolis, Ind., Feb. 19.—The flood situation in Southern Indiana is more serious today. The swollen rivers have increased in depth during the night and thousands of additional acres in the lowlands are submerged.

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## CONVENTION OPENS

SOUTHERN COTTON ASSOCIATION  
CONVENTION IN SESSION  
AT DALLAS.

### MANY DELEGATES ATTEND

Representatives of a Membership of  
Over 50,000 Present—The Of-  
ficial Program.

#### Special to the Times.

Dallas, Tex., Feb. 19.—The conven-  
tion of the Southern Cotton Associa-  
tion convened here today with over a  
thousand delegates in attendance, rep-  
resenting a membership of 50,000. The  
convention will last through two days.  
The following is the official program of  
the meeting:

Col. W. B. Thompson, president of  
the New Orleans cotton exchange, who  
will address the convention on the sub-  
ject of "The Legitimate Functions and  
Province of a Cotton Exchange," will  
arrive in the city tomorrow night. Dur-  
ing his stay he will be the guest of  
his brother, J. W. Thompson, 211 Cor-  
sicana street. Col. Thompson was for-  
merly a resident of Dallas and he has  
an extensive acquaintance here.

The complete official program follows:  
First day's session, Wednesday, Feb.  
19, 10 a. m.—Convention called to or-  
der by President Harvie Jordan; Invo-  
cation, Rev. George W. Truett, pastor  
of the First Baptist church of Dallas;  
address of welcome on part of State,  
Hon. T. M. Campbell, governor of Tex-  
as; address of welcome on part of the  
city of Dallas, Hon. S. J. Hay, mayor;  
address of welcome on part of Dallas  
Commercial Club, Hon. R. Liebman,  
president; response to address of wel-  
come, Hon. R. R. Claridge, president  
Texas division of Southern Cotton As-  
sociation, Hon. Harvie Jordan of At-  
lanta, Ga.; appointment of committee  
on finance; adjournment.

Afternoon session, 2 o'clock—Ad-  
dress, "Functions of Legitimate Cotton  
Exchange," by W. B. Thompson of  
New Orleans, La.; discussion; address,  
"The Southern Banker," by Hon. John  
D. Walker, Saporta, Ga.; discussion; ad-  
dress, "Ginners' Reports Through the  
Census Bureau," by Hon. S. N. D.  
North, director, Washington, D. C.; dis-  
cussion; adjournment.

Evening session, 8 o'clock—Address,  
"Agricultural Needs in Texas," by Hon.  
R. T. Milner of Austin; discussion;  
address, "Diversification of Crops and  
Care of Soils," by Prof. W. K. Dodson,  
director experiment station, Baton  
Rouge, La. This lecture will have lan-  
tern slides for illustration purposes.

Second day's session, Thursday, Feb.  
20, 9 o'clock a. m.—Report of commit-  
tees; address, "Restrict Cotton Produc-  
tion by Diversified Agriculture," by  
Hon. Walter Clark, Clarksdale, Miss.;  
discussion; address, "Best Plans for  
Protecting Weak Cotton," by Hon. C.  
C. Moore, Charlotte, N. C.; discussion;  
address, "Cotton the Basis of the  
South's Prosperity," by Hon. E. D.  
Smith, Lynchburg, S. C.; discussion;  
adjournment.

Afternoon session, 2 o'clock—Ad-  
dress, "Bureau of Cotton Statistic," by  
Dr. C. C. Clarke, Washington, D. C.;  
address, "The Evils of Future Gamb-  
ling," by Hon. Hatton W. Summers,  
Dallas, Texas; discussion; address,  
"Education, Diversified Agriculture,  
Correct Statistics," by Hon. Henry S.  
Reed, Atlanta, Ga.; discussion; ad-  
journment.

Evening session, 8 o'clock—Report  
of committees; address, "Association  
Work," by Hon. B. H. Burnett, Chick-  
alah, Ark.; general discussion; ad-  
journment sine die.

#### FIRE IN FORTIETH STORY OF BUILDING.

New York, Feb. 18.—"The highest  
fire in New York was put out last  
night by two policemen and a fireman.  
It was only a blaze from a plumber's  
fire pot, but it was on the fortieth  
story of the new Slinger building, some-  
thing like 500 feet above the sidewalk  
and was extensive enough to be no-  
ticed by thousands on East and North  
river ferryboats and the Brooklyn  
bridge. A fireman with an extinguish-  
er, and two officers from a nearby  
police station were taken in the ele-  
vator to the thirty-fifth floor, climbing  
narrow ladders over building material  
five stories more, when they came  
upon an upset plumber's fire pot. The  
wind had fanned the coals and the en-  
tire tower was lighted up. The fire  
was soon smothered.

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nell's. 233-56

#### Points From Yeakum's Speech.

There are 265,000 square miles in  
Texas, one-tenth of the area of the for-  
ty-six States, with a population of  
three and a half millions.

There is one solid block of 16,000-  
000 acres in Texas without a mile of  
railroad.

The railroad business of this coun-  
try is no longer a mystery; its cost of  
operation and profits can be figured as  
closely as the merchant or farmer can  
figure on his investments.

If Texas had 10,000 miles more rail-  
road, her population would soon reach  
the 6,500,000 mark, and continue its  
growth uninterrupted.

I believe it is the duty of public of-  
ficers to build up a State as much as  
any other duty that devolves upon  
them.

I sometimes wish I were in public  
life. Such men have every advantage  
over men in my line of business, as we  
cannot come into contact with the  
public.

Texas is a country as rich as the  
alluvial Nile—but it is no richer than  
it was four years ago.

The only position I would surrender  
my present job for is that of governor  
of Texas. There is no position that  
would appeal to me more.

My first step would be to call a meet-  
ing of the officers of the Five Million  
Club and the aggressive public spirited  
citizens of the State, and we would un-  
derwrite the club by agreeing that  
within five years the population would  
reach five million.

#### WOMAN SUES ON LIFE POLICY.

Mrs. D. R. Rankin of Lawton Would  
Recover \$10,000.

Guthrie, Ok., Feb. 17.—A suit against  
the Great Western Life Insurance  
Company of Kansas City, Mo., has  
been started by Attorneys Fain &  
Young of Lawton, representing Mrs.  
Agnes Rankin, to recover \$10,000, the  
face value of a policy held by her hus-  
band, David H. Rankin, deceased cash-  
ier of the Merchants' and Planters'  
Bank of Lawton, whose dead body was  
found in Cache creek on Dec. 2, 1907.  
A coroner's jury said that Rankin kil-  
ed himself by drowning, following the  
failure of his bank late in November.

### LYON CONTINUES ROOSEVELT BOOM

#### Dallas News.

Washington, D. C. Feb. 17.—Col. Ce-  
cil Lyon, who is guide, philosopher and  
reputed boss for the republican party  
of Texas, is still for Roosevelt. At  
least he says so. Further than that he  
will say nothing.

Col. Lyon came to town a week ago  
singing prophetic paens to Roosevelt.  
There were folks who said he would  
change his tune after a visit to the  
White House. Col. Lyon has been at  
the White House several times since  
then; he has eaten with the president,  
talked with him and walked with him  
on one of those Sunday afternoon ram-  
bles that make a tenderfoot tired. To-  
night he is leaving for New York, and  
he is still for Roosevelt. At least, as  
has been remarked, he says so.

What it may signify that Col. Lyon  
is still for Roosevelt, despite the reit-  
erated promise, anyone may answer to  
suit his taste. Up here it is taken to  
mean that after having inquired around  
Col. Lyon is not much impressed with  
the Taft prospect, and Col Lyon is no  
reactionary. He says so himself with  
some vehemence.

They are saying that the president  
tried to pin a Taft button on Col. Ly-  
on's coat, but that the colonel backed  
off. The story is apocryphal; the Col-  
onel says it's worse. Then he adds  
that he is still for Roosevelt, and he  
says it loud like a man who is sure he  
will give no offense.

The convention to select delegates to  
the national convention may be held  
at Amarillo, which is a long way from  
the black belt. Col. Lyon won't con-  
firm this report; he modestly disclains  
all knowledge of what the committee  
may do. The convention to nominate  
for State offices may be held at Gal-  
veston.

Col. Lyon hasn't accomplished much  
in a patronage way this trip. There is  
nothing specially to be done except to  
provide a steady postmaster for Aus-  
tin. C. L. Test, who was the late Ma-  
jor Zimpleman's assistant, is acting.  
Col. Lyon, it is understood, has in-  
dorsed Test as his second choice. His  
first choice, according to a report  
which Col. Lyon will not confirm, is  
Mr. Wren, who preceded Test as as-  
sistant postmaster. No one seems to  
know when the vacancy will be filled.

# Don't Use Up Your Last Can of Home Preserved Fruits :-:

About this time of the year your supply of home canned fruits and preserves is probably running very low; especially this year, as last fall the fruit crop was not as plentiful and cheap as ordinary.

The last few cans that you have should be saved for very special occasions and for ordinary use get some of our HEINZ GOODS.

Not that "Heinz" preserves are of ordinary quality, but you can get them whenever you need them and your own preserves when they are gone cannot be replenished.

The Heinz goods are of excellent quality, being prepared from fresh ripe fruit, a large percentage of which is grown in their own orchards and gardens.

And the care they use in putting up their fruits is something wonderful; their kitchens are marvels of neatness and cleanliness.

Preserved Cherries, 3 lb. cans.....	90c
Apple Butter, 3 lb. jars.....	50c
Strawberry Preserves, small tins.....	30c
Damson Plum Preserves, small tins.....	30c
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#### Grass Leasers Have Hard Task.

Owing to the chaotic conditions in Oklahoma, resulting from Indians taking available grazing land in 160-acre allotments, Texas cattlemen seeking grass the coming spring are expecting to meet much difficulty. Getting grass in Oklahoma has been a harder problem with each succeeding year, but heretofore it has been possible to lease in fairly large tracts. Now with the Indians taking all the pasture they can get in small bodies the lessee must make a separate agreement with each Indian. A man wanting 1,000 acres of grazing land must make his leases with seven Indians and as the amount of land required increases the difficulty grows.

Not only is this troublesome, but the Texan seeking a large grazing tract may find that the Indian owners have leased one or more quarter sections in the middle of his large block, thus depriving him of a free range.

At present there seems no way out of the difficulty but to make all the leases required and the provident cattleman will make his arrangements early.

#### Charged With Theft.

Constable Randolph arrested a man by the name of I. C. Alley, charged with being one of the parties who robbed the Wichita cafe on Sunday morning of about \$15 worth of cigars and \$3 in money. A warrant has also been issued for F. C. Darling, wanted on the same charge, but as yet he has not been apprehended.

Richelleu self rising buckwheat and pancake flour. The best on the market. Two packages for 25c. Try it.  
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Alfa Variety to Be Grown in Southern California.

USEFUL FOR PAPERMAKING.

Los Angeles Man Has Two Sacks of Seed From Faraway Africa—Success of Experiments May Mean Creation of Big Industry.

Carefully protected in the safe of one of the business houses of Los Angeles repose two small sacks of grass seed upon which are based hopes of great things, says the Los Angeles Times. The sacks contain alfa seed from the great Sahara desert. They may be the forerunner of an important papermaking industry in southern California.

The alfa seeds were sent by Professor David Fairchild of the bureau of plant industry, United States department of agriculture, to J. C. Conrad of Los Angeles, who had become interested in the possibilities of raising the grass on the desert lands of southern California and Arizona for papermaking. It was necessary to send to Africa for the seeds, and the small consignment recently received will be carefully planted for experiment work.

One portion of the seed will go to Daggett, in the heart of the desert, on the Santa Fe railway. There it will be planted on the ranch of T. S. Van Dyke, one of the pioneer desert ranchers, who has attained much success in propagating various growths suited to arid districts.

Another portion will be planted at Mecca, on lands owned by Frank R. Strong, and the third allotment goes to Thermal, in the heart of Coachella valley, where Mr. Conrad believes conditions of the higher levels are very similar to those to be found in the native soil of the alfa grass.

On account of the constantly diminishing supply of material for papermaking, Mr. Conrad became interested in the possibilities of growing alfa grass on California's arid lands. His attention was attracted by a brief statement made in one of Frank G. Carpenter's letters to the Times.

Mr. Carpenter, writing from Beni Oumil, in the Sahara desert, 400 miles south of the Port of Oran, says of the alfa:

"I have been passing through a great plain of yellow, sandy soil, covered here and there with stones and spotted everywhere with bunches of the dry alfa grass.

"The alfa was growing right in the sands. It is a long, wiry grass, which is gathered by the thousands of tons and shipped to Europe for the making of paper. It is cut by the Arabs, and there are companies with immense capital which handle it. It grows to the height of my waist, in bunches some of which are not bigger than one's fist, while others sprout out of mounds which would fill a half bushel measure. It looks tough and dry, but nevertheless large flocks of sheep goats and camels feed upon it."

It is possible, if the experiments in the growth of the alfa grass in the Coachella and Imperial valleys and on the Mohave desert, in San Bernardino county, prove a success, that paper mills will be erected in southern California to handle the product, as it is claimed that the material makes a paper of superior quality which will command top prices. The material is especially suitable for high grade book papers.

The leaves of the alfa grass are from eighteen inches to two feet in length. They have the peculiarity of breaking off at the base, so that they are gathered by the exertion of a steady pull after which they are sorted according to their color and length and tied in bundles for exportation. About \$1,000,000 worth of the grass is exported annually from Algeria, and the constantly increasing shortage of raw material for the manufacture of paper makes a permanent field for the crop.

Mr. Conrad is certain that on the higher lands of the Coachella and Imperial valleys, at present nonirrigable the alfa grass will prove a profitable crop. He believes that the cost of gathering the grass, which is plucked by hand in the African desert, will be greatly lessened if it proves a good desert crop in California by the invention of labor saving machinery.

#### Instinct and Reason.

Instinct is the generic term for all those faculties of mind which lead to the performance of actions that are adaptive in character, but pursued without necessary knowledge of the relation between the means employed and the ends attained. Reason refers to those actions that are adaptive in character and that are pursued with knowledge of the relation between the means employed and the ends aimed at. Such is the technical statement of the difference between instinct and reason, but the real, basic difference between the two faculties is unknown and probably unknowable.—New York American.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

For County Tax Assessor:  
**W. J. BULLOCK.**

For District and County Clerk  
**W. A. REID.**

For County Judge:  
**M. F. YEAGER.**

Since Wichita county farmers have dropped the "one crop" idea the county has nearly doubled in population and their lands have nearly doubled in price. What better evidence can there be than this one fact to prove that it pays to diversify?

A noted critic vents the information that it is not necessary to understand Italian in order to properly appreciate grand opera. He could have also added that in order to enjoy a dish of chili con carne it is not necessary to speak the "greaser" language.

The fourteen months old baby of W. B. Coleman of the Wichita Plumbing Company has been critically ill for several days with pneumonia. The baby is apparently much better today.

Just received! A shipment of new books for rent.  
**RALPH DARNELL.** 238-4f

A young man named Woods, who has been living over Kerr & Hurst's hardware store, has the smallpox. He was placed under quarantine and was today moved to a tent on Holliday creek.

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San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 19.—The United States battleship Nebraska arrived here yesterday from Magdalena Bay as the vanguard of the fleet which will be in this harbor by Saturday. In addition to the Nebraska, there will be assembled here the battleships West Virginia, Maryland, Colorado and Pennsylvania, and the big armored cruisers Tennessee, Washington, South Dakota and California. These, with the Nebraska, make nine first class warships with about eight hundred officers and men on each vessel.

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Special to the Times.  
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45c For Ladies' Drawers, worth 75 cents.			25c For Ladies' Corset Covers, cheap at 35c.
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### A COTTON EXCHANGE

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ships owned by foreign companies interested in foreign ports. The cotton is stored in foreign warehouses in foreign markets, handled by foreign labor, classed and arbitrated and condemned or penalized by foreign arbitrators under the rules of foreign exchanges and buyers' exchanges at that; and from these foreign centers of accumulation, equipped with every facility for holding, the stocks are distributed gradually and as needed, to the rest of Europe and the East.

Why, the great Texas port of Galveston has been made only a transfer station. Its wharves and shipping facilities are magnificent, but it is a finished city. The cotton that goes through Galveston, is stored and handled there instead of on the other side, would make a city of many times its present size. Our port of New Orleans is gradually being reduced to a similar condition in so far as the cotton business is concerned, and the same is true of all our Southern ports. The combination between the American railroad companies for their own greater profit with the ocean transportation companies for their own greater profit, and for the advantage of their native ports, expresses itself in rate inducements and increased facilities in favor of the through-trade and in discrimination and burdensome exactions against the locally handled trade.

When those days shall come there shall be some great southern port where long lines of warehouses operated and financed by the farmer and his friends, at the minimum of cost and with the maximum of security shall hold the surplus of the crop. When those days shall come Liverpool and the other foreign markets, instead of buying our cotton when it is cheap, and carrying the great surplus stock to be sold and distributed at a propitious time, shall come to our markets for necessary supplies and we will demand the tribute that is ours by right.

But my friends, you cannot accomplish this great thing alone. We can not accomplish it nor can all the banks of the South accomplish it alone. There is no hope of success unless we all unite, and we can succeed if we do unite. Our commercial adversaries are united. The spinner is not assailing his exchanges. He is not crippling these whose duty, inclination and interest it is to help him. He and all whose profit it is to buy cheap cotton are watching with no alarm the trouble the farmer is giving his friends. All these would willingly see the New Orleans Exchange crippled by the lack of buying power. Then the producer would have no one to help him and supply him with those modern wearings without which no commercial battle can be won today. We stand for the same essentials you stand for. Your complaint against us is based upon a misunderstanding. Our complaint against you is that you are injuring yourselves and us and punishing us for the wrong that others have done.

Our cause is really one. We are divided by misunderstanding, but united still—united in a joint endeavor to maintain our right to reap what we have sown, and joined together by the ties of a common interest, a common heritage and a common hope.

**Why We Had No Lights Last Night.**  
Owing to an accident which could not well have been avoided, the light plant was unable to furnish current to the city until about 8:40 o'clock last night. During the time the lights were not on, there was a general rush for candles and lamps and the drug stores did a tolerably nice business and got rid of their stock of small tapers left over from the Christmas trade.

For the past three weeks Superintendent Charles Malgou has been employed with a force of men putting in a 250-horse power boiler at the power plant, and expected to be able to have everything ready to make the change from the small to the large boiler in time to furnish patrons of the plant with light at the usual time, but something went wrong at the last moment and neither the old or the new boiler could be used until the cause of the accident could be removed. It took about three hours to do this, during which time the city was in darkness.

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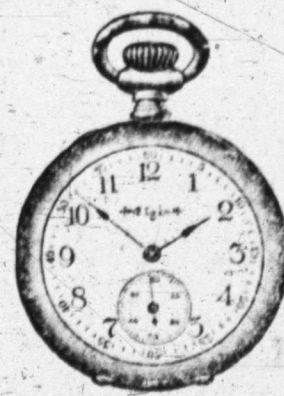
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Flight of Henry Farman's Aeroplane in Paris.

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Work of the Successful Inventor and Hopes Founded Upon His Achievement—How Frenchmen Encourage Progress by Giving Prizes.

I was lucky enough to study at leisure the trial flights in Paris of Henry Farman for winning the \$10,000 prize which he earned so well, writes the New York Post's special Paris correspondent. He was to fly on his aeroplane a half kilometer (one-third of a mile), then turn a goal and return to the starting point, all without once touching ground. The length of this irregular oval around which he took his course in midair was full three-quarters of a mile, and since his victory, out of pure lightness of heart at a motor working well, he has made a circular flight three times as long. Not enough has been said of the mere look of man and machine as they "plane" against the sky, for a new verb is needed to describe the motion.

It is like nothing else ever seen before. It is not even like Santos-Dumont's little dirigible balloon, the No. 9, which carried him back and forth so easily from place to place in the Bois de Boulogne, like an automobile running through the air. Small as its gas bag was, the No. 9, like all balloons, kept the look of being suspended by something held up in the air as it glided about. On the other hand, the biggest kite shows always by its movements that a string is holding it down. Farman's aeroplane moves like neither the one nor the other. It does not even resemble a giant bird cutting through space any more than an automobile resembles a horse.

It is a vast human structure, as evidently a machine as a steam engine, with its spread of boxlike cells and whirring motor and place for the pilot in the middle. Its flight through the air in long rising and falling curves as the motor varies its power is graceful beyond measure, but thoroughly human—just such a mechanical grace as that of a motor launch over a broad expanse of water.

Soon the sight will become as common as any other, for men have found what Clerk Maxwell called in electricity the "go" of the thing. Farman knows now just how many pounds weight his motor will take up into the air and for how long a flight. The motor's the thing.

All these steady advances, however slow, were made possible by Santos-Dumont's darling in hitching a petroleum motor to a balloon. I was also lucky enough to follow his very first experiments, only ten years ago. He had to face the entreaties of anxious friends and the open scorn of professional men of the air. He went on his way, year after year, undiscouraged by repeated failures. But he made of each failure a trial experiment of his principle, which he was sure was right. Thanks to his experiments, we have now two branches of an already practical industry—petroleum as a means of transport through the air. There are the great motor balloons for war, and there are these machines like Farman's, without any gas to help them, flying of themselves by the propulsion of a petroleum motor. The world has moved within that space of ten years.

No fair man can doubt that these flying machines will be made practical, little by little, like everything that comes to stay. They are here now for learning and sport. Soon rich amateurs will use them for their luxurious pleasure. Last will come their plain, everyday use when time and constant experiments shall have made known their possibilities.

The prizes which stimulate to experiments like Farman's have been graduated here in France with great good sense. Instead of asking a brand new, still uncertain invention to be put in competition with motor locomotion long practiced on terra firma, the first prize was for flight in a straight line for a distance long enough to prevent skeptics saying, "Pooh, that was only a great bound in the air!" Santos-Dumont won this first prize last autumn. Just as he was the first—publicly—to steer a balloon.

Then M. Deutsch, the same who gave the \$20,000. won by Santos by steering his balloon from St. Cloud round the Eiffel tower and back, and M. Archdeacon offered the prize which Farman has just won. The task was to fly a moderate distance and turn in the air and return to the starting point.

Now M. Armengaud, an engineer of international reputation and an authority on aeronautics, offers \$2,000 to the man who will fly on his aeroplane for one-quarter of an hour without touching ground.

First to fly at all, then to steer the flight, now to prolong the flight—these are the natural beginnings, even with a bird learning to fly. In due time will come long distance flights, starting and

landing and steering matches, then other exercises of skill and—crown of all, as with the horse, with automobiles, with transatlantics—races. This is a practical order of things instead of summoning the inventor first off to do everything at once or for ever after hold his peace.

Englishmen are claiming Farman as their own, and he may be one of the king's subjects. For all that, he is a product of Paris as a man and as one who has flown through the air. His parents are Scotch and have lived in Paris since 1867.

**Isolated Greece.**

Greece is an isolated country of 25, 941 square miles that supports a population of some 2,500,000 people. It has no railroad connection with any other country, and, being cut off from the rest of Europe by the mountains of Turkish Macedonia on the north, all commerce is by sea. The principal ports are Piraeus (the port for Athens), Patras and Volo on the mainland and the island ports of Syra and Corfu. The Greeks probably number all told 8,000,000, of whom about 4,000,000 are in Turkey.

**Well Tested.**

"It seems to me that I have heard most of the ideas advanced in your speech before."

"That," said Senator Sorghum, "merely goes to show that they are good ideas, which will stand wear and tear." Washington Star.

**WOLVES OF FRANCE.**

A Picture of Their Ferocity in the Eighteenth Century.

"The ferocious wolf," said a nature student, "is the most perfect expression of carnivorous bloodthirst that walks. His jaw is the most terrible of weapons. Its slashing bite can break the leg of a buffalo, and the noise of it when at work in a sheepfold resembles nothing so much as the incessant cracking of a heavy whip."

He took down a book.

"Here is what the wolves of France were like," he said. "This is a letter from the famous Duchess of Orleans, dated at Marly, Feb. 3, 1709:

"Flocks of wolves commit fearful ravages. They have devoured the postman of Aleucon and his horse. Two of the beasts attacked a tradesman near Mons, one springing at his throat. In response to his shrieks two dragons who were walking by came to his help. One drew his sword and ran a wolf through the body, on which it turned and seized its new assailant by the throat. His comrade came up and beat the brute off, but not before it had killed the man. Meanwhile the other wolf had seized the second dragon from behind and dragged him down. Finally when effective help arrived both the soldiers and one wolf were found dead. The other had got away. As for the tradesman, his leg was so piteously torn that it had to be amputated above the knee."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

**NOT MERELY IDLING.**

Wherein the Writer Resembled the Man on the Buoy.

"That writer," said a publisher, referring to an author who seemed to be idling away his time, "is in reality trying hard to work, to get his ideas flowing, but he is stuck."

"He said to me himself that he resembled a man who made a bet one summer day at the shore that he would swim out a mile and a half to a certain buoy. The bet was accepted, and the man stripped and plunged in. His friend retired to the hotel to watch his progress from the window.

"From the window with a fieldglass the friend saw the swimmer reach the buoy in due course, draw himself up out of the water and sit down comfortably, with his legs dangling over. So far so good. Evidently he was resting, well pleased with his feat.

"Some minutes passed, and the swimmer had not moved. The watcher returned to his book. But every now and then he looked up, and still the swimmer sat in the same position on the buoy.

"An hour, two hours went by. Still the swimmer remained. A white, slim figure seen against the oncoming dark, he sat on the buoy's edge. His feet dangled in the sea. He seemed to be musing.

"Finally it began to grow quite dark, and, thoroughly alarmed at last, the watcher got a boat and a couple of barges and rowed out to his friend.

"Out there the mystery was soon explained. The man was stuck fast to the buoy, which had been freshly tarred that morning."—Washington Star.

**Old Papers to Build a Church.**

Old papers, sour milk, plaster and whites of eggs are the ingredients used in the construction of a new church in the Roquette slum district of Paris. The ingenious architect who invented this novel building material declares that old papers reduced to a paste, allowed to harden, then covered with a coating of sour milk, plaster and whites of eggs, equal stone, brick or stucco in durability.

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### WASHINGTON NOTES.

The bill providing for the taking of the thirteenth census was reported in the house by Mr. Crumpacker of Indiana, chairman of the committee on census.

Senator Warren reported from the senate committee on military affairs a joint resolution limiting to seven the number of cadets that may be appointed to West Point from the Philippines.

The house agreed to a joint resolution extending for two years from Mar. 9, 1908, the provisions of the act appropriating \$200,000 for marking of the graves of soldiers and sailors of the Confederate army and navy who died in northern prisons and were buried near the prisons where they died.

The interstate commerce commission is preparing a letter to be sent to the senate setting forth its opinion of legislation providing for a physical valuation of railroads. It is the desire of the senate committee to ascertain whether the interstate commerce commission believes the measure ought to be enacted into law.

Senator Daniel reported from the senate committee on the library committee a resolution appropriating \$25,000 for the purpose of purchasing a bust of Zachary Taylor, executed while he was president.

Following an operation for a twist of the bowels, Senator Ashburg C. Lattimer of South Carolina is lying in a critical condition at the Providence hospital here.

Senator Brown gave notice of an amendment to the Aldrich currency bill requiring national banks to pay interest on government deposits, the funds thus obtained to be retained in the treasury to guarantee deposits in national banks.

In accordance with recommendations of Secretary of State Root, an amendment to the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill was presented, making appropriations for buildings for the consular service in the Far East: Amoy, \$8,350; Canton, \$115,000; Chin Chefoo, \$40,000; Chung Kung, \$155,000; Foo Chow, \$8,000; Hankow, \$60,000; Hong Kong, \$145,000; Nankin, \$44,000; New Chwang, \$50,000; Shanghai, \$500,000; Tien Tsin, \$65,000; Kobe, \$120,000; Nagasaki, \$55,000; Seoul, \$10,000.

### A Fable for Critics.

Once there was an ox. He was a fine, hefty ox. He could pull a big load. He never balked, but always liked to go straight ahead.

But the ox had enemies.

There was the flea and his big family. "We don't care whether this ox travels or not," said the flea and his folks. "All we want is some of his blood." Whereupon the fleas eternally pestered the ox and gave him that tired feeling.

Then there was the tom cat and his brothers—the doubting thomases. "We don't know whether this ox is going the right way or not," said the Thomases. "Anyhow, we'll scratch his back for him." Whereupon the felines jumped on the back of the ox and scratched him for fair, which made the ox exceedingly sorrowful.

Then there was a fiste pup and his fellow fistes—a whole litter of fistes. "We don't care how slow the ox goes," said the fistes. "The slower the merrier for us. All we want is to lag behind him and bite his tail." Whereupon the fistes snapped continually at the tail of the ox, which gave the ox a mighty mournfulness.

Finally the ox, pestered constantly with the fleas and the felines and the fistes, got to looking sickly. He stopped and lay down on his job, and there was no more going forward for him.

Key to the situation: The town is the ox. The fleas and the felines and the fistes are those citizens who criticize every progressive movement and do everything they can in their petty ways to make the ox quit pulling in the right direction.

Moral: Give the ox a chance to pull. Everybody holler, "Git up!"—Ex.

### New Mail Order.

The following notice is posted in the postoffice:

"On and after March 1st, by order of the department, the Sunday and holiday general delivery hour will be from 10 a. m. to 11 a. m.

"No mail will be delivered through the general delivery window at any other hours.

"OTIS T. BACON, Postmaster."

Heinz's dill pickles in bulk, 2 for 5 cents. J. L. Lea Jr. 239-2t

### NOT ROSY FOR REPUBLICANS.

General Woodford Says That the Democrats Must Be Watched.

New York, Feb. 18.—General Stewart L. Woodford, in accepting the presidency of the Hughes League last night, in summing up the political outlook, said:

"The situation is serious. The democratic party, hungry with long fasting, will do their best to get together and win the coming election. We cannot count upon their blunders. If we would win this fight we must make no mistakes ourselves. So serious is the situation, so much depends on what we now do, that mistakes are more than blunders. They will be almost crimes."

"That candidate for the presidency will probably get the electoral vote of New York who can most certainly secure the largest part of this great body of voters who no longer wear the uniform and follow the flag of either great national party. We believe that Governor Hughes can and will get this vote. If you carry the nation without New York, if you can carry New York without these votes, then it may be safe to make the attempt and disregard our appeal. But if you believe with us that New York must go republican to assure that the nation shall continue republican in administration and in policies, then we beg you to unite with us in our earnest effort to nominate Governor Hughes for the presidency."

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They do. And they keep their promises, top-to the letter. Would I be likely to get this watch back again in a day or so?

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# PERSONAL MENTION

Rev. J. V. McCall of Gainesville was in the city today.

Mrs. J. W. Field of Kell, Oklahoma, was in the city today.

Charley Humphreys of Burk Burnett was visiting relatives in the city today.

Joe Bowers, one of Archer county's progressive farmers, was here on business today.

Floyd Baker of Fort Worth is in the city visiting his sister, Mrs. J. W. Clasbey.

Ed. Foster, a thrifty stockman and farmer from Charlie, was here today on business.

A. W. Powell, one of Wichita county's prosperous farmers, was trading in the city today.

J. B. Evans, a prosperous farmer from near Iowa Park, was transacting business here today.

Mrs. S. W. Burch left today for Texarkana, where she will visit relatives and friends for an indefinite time.

Dr. W. W. Swartz and family left this afternoon for Byers, where Dr. Swartz may locate in the practice of medicine.

J. W. Nutt, of the firm of Nutt, Stevens & Hardeman, returned today from a ten days visit to his old home at Beeville, Texas.

Alex. Kahn returned last night from Chicago and St. Louis, where he had been to select his spring and summer stock of clothing.

S. R. Ludolphus, an enterprising young farmer of this county, was in the city today and while here paid his respects to the Times.

Mrs. R. S. Skelton of Scottsboro, Ala., is here for a visit to her mother, Mrs. M. E. Hue, and her brothers, Messrs. R. E. T. A. and C. C. Huff.

E. H. Chaplin, who has been in the employ of the Wichita Falls and Northwestern at Frederick, Oklahoma, is spending several days with friends here.

E. B. Stevens, junior member of the firm of Nutt, Stevens & Hardeman, accompanied by their milliner, Miss Alde Neeley, left today for Dallas and St. Louis to purchase their spring stock.

### Mrs. Roberts Entertains.

One of the prettiest and most brilliant affairs of the season was a "42" party given Tuesday evening by Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walter Roberts at their comfortable home on Burnett avenue. The decorations were simple, but effective, and the hostess wore becomingly a dainty lingerie frock for the occasion.

The markers for the ten tables were fetching little red silk hearts filled with heart-shaped mints.

The St. Valentine scheme was also to be found in an elaborate two course luncheon served at the close of the games.

The guests were favored with red and white carnations as souvenirs. The punchers favor—a box of bonbons went to Miss Cora Coons.

The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Huff, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Huff, Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Reese, Mr. and Mrs. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. McCune, Mr. and Mrs. Ogston, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. Harrington, Mr. and Mrs. Noble, Mr. and Mrs. Langford, Mr. and Mrs. Brady, Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Bacon, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Jackson, Dr. and Mrs. DuVal, Mesdames Bruce Smith, Speed and Shelton and Misses Yoiling, Sliton, Dora and Cora Coons.

### INSTALLATION TOMORROW.

Wichita Falls Lodge of Elks Will Have Fifty-five Charter Members.

The installation of the Wichita Falls lodge of Elks will begin tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock in the hall in the City National bank building.

There will be about forty-five charter members in the new lodge.

The installation ceremonies will continue throughout the afternoon and at night a banquet will be given in the dining room of the St. James hotel.

Deputy T. J. Darling of Temple and teams from the Temple and Gainesville lodges will participate in the installation.

Representatives from the Ft. Worth, Abilene, Amarillo and Dallas lodges are expected to attend.

### TO OPPOSE BAILEY

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### Iron Foundry and Machine Shops.

J. V. C. T. Christensen, proprietor of the Nacogdoches Iron Works, is in the city. Secretary Walt Smith of the Chamber of Commerce has been corresponding with him for some time with a view to interesting him in Wichita Falls as a splendid location for an iron foundry and machine shops. Mr. Christensen is well pleased with the business outlook and very bright prospects for the "railroad center" of North Texas. He will meet with members of the Chamber of Commerce this afternoon and lay his plans before them. This is an enterprise badly needed and it will doubtless meet with the proper encouragement.

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