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## WHOLESALE

### THEFT OF MULES

**Noble Fisk Discovers That Carload is Stolen From Him—Other Stockmen May Have Suffered Losses Officers on Lookout.**

Teft of a carload of mules, about 25 head, valued at \$3,000 to \$4,000, was discovered this week when Noble Fisk rounded up and counted the stock on his ranch in Glasscock and Sterling counties. Mr. Fisk was in San Angelo Thursday enroute to his home at Brownwood and stated that every effort will be put forth to apprehend the thieves and recover the stock. A reward will likely be offered for the arrest and conviction of the guilty parties.

The thefts may have been going on for sometime, but, owing to the large area covered by Mr. Fisk's holdings and the many stock on the ranch, the extent of the rustlers' operations were not known until the count was made. It is possible that other ranchmen in Glasscock and Sterling counties have suffered losses from these depredations.

Officers throughout West Texas will be put on the lookout for the stolen stock. And unless the thieves took the mules to other parts of the state or outside of Texas, some trace of them will likely be found and arrests follow. Developments are awaited with keen interest.

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#### Clean up Your Premises.

All parties are requested to clean their closets and haul trash heaps to the dumping ground. Don't throw any refuse in the river. There is a fine for not obeying this law and the law will be enforced.

F. K. Turney,  
County Health Officer.

#### About Grassopper Poison.

J. W. Butcher, the government farm agent for the San Angelo country, says that some complaints, have reached him that grasshoppers are damaging cotton; and to prevent further injury to the product, the farmers who are menaced are urged to use branmash, scattering it around and over the field. To make the branmash mix one pound of paris green or arsenic with five pounds of wheat bran, using water to work into a moist mass and sweetening with a quart of molasses. Find out where the grasshoppers enter the cotton field and there sprinkle plenty of the mash late in the afternoon, as the insects do most of their work at night. Mr. Butcher says this remedy for putting a stop to the menace has always proved effective.—San Angelo Standard.

#### Happiest Girl in Lincoln.

A Lincoln, Neb; girl writes, "I had been ailing for some time with chronic constipation and stomach trouble. I began taking Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and in three days I was able to be up and got better right along. I am the proudest girl in Lincoln to find such a good medicine." For sale by all dealers.

#### Showering Over Coke.

A number of places over the county have received showers the past week. A rain is reported to from Miles to Br...

and a good rain is also reported at Blackwell. Bronte received a good rain. No rain of any consequence fell at Robert Lee.

A rain is reported on the Divide Sunday and another good one Monday. Considerable clouds are floating around and we expect to be able to report about a five inch shower at Robert Lee before the week closes. In fact we believe the entire county will be well soaked by Sunday night. We say without fear of contradiction that the county will receive a good rain by July 12 and if we can get a special dispensation from our minister we will bet a years subscription to the Observer that our prediction comes true.

—Spend your cash with the cash man and save money. W. H. Bell & Co.

#### Valley View Items.

The feed crops in this vicinity are needing rain badly but nevertheless the cotton is looking well.

Mrs. and Mr. Lem Cawley gave a delightful entertainment Friday night. The young people were well adept in the games that were played, and many sociable colloguys were enjoyed by the old.

Mrs. M. H. Havins and her son, Roth and family, have just returned from Stonewall county where they have been visiting relatives.

Elder John Richardson and family from Edith, were here Sunday attending meeting.

Mrs. Fields from Indian creek, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. F. H. Walker.

Will Taylor, from New Mexico was here last week to see his mother's sister, Mrs. Fannie Parker, who has been ill for some time.

Mrs. Cornet, mother of Mrs. R. W. Houston, has been sick for some time.

Prof. Robert Randerson, from Mills county, was here last week on business.

Powell A. Roberts went to Bronte Wednesday.

Miss Rubye Houston, who has been sick for some time, is progressing slowly.

C. R. Roberts and Harris Carter left here Thursday with a bunch of horses for Mr. Roberts, which he intends to sell at San Angelo.

Messrs Chapman, M H. Havins, Arnold and Artis Vowell, Walter Green, G. W. Caudle, F. H. Walker and H. T. Carter went to San Angelo this week.

H. T. Carter left here Friday to view the country in the northern part of Texas.

A. A. C.

#### Escaped With His Life

"Twenty-one years ago I faced an awful death," writes, H. B. Martin, Port Harrelson, S. C. "Doctors said I had consumption and the dreadful cough I had looked like it, sure enough. I was that far of a go, for as Governor has ever been a force as Governor his first ter

but could get no relief. A friend advised me to try Dr. King's New Discovery. I did so and was completely cured. I feel that I owe my life to this great throat and lung cure. "Its positively guaranteed for coughs, colds and all bronchial affections, 50c and \$1.00 trial bottle free at P. D. Boulson & Son.

Mrs. S. B. Lamb and daughter Miss Malissa, who have been visiting relatives and friends on the past week have returned to their home in this city.

Never leave home on a journey without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It is almost certain to be needed and cannot be obtained when on board the cars or steamships. For sale by all dealers.

Mrs. Gully, of Coleman is here visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. W. Escue.

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#### Springfield-Bean

Folks had their suspicions when Miss Eula Bean suddenly decided not to attend the Normal and besides one of our young men had been acting a little queer of late.

As announced in the News last week, Miss Eula has been visiting in the vicinity of Aspermont. Last Saturday, H. D. Springfield might have been seen wending his way to the early morning train. Stopping in Abilene long enough to possess himself of a real business document he went to Aspermont.

Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, he and Miss Eula were united in marriage in the parlors of the Delmar hotel, Rev. C. B. Meador pronouncing the ceremony.

The happy couple arrived in Winters Monday afternoon. These are two of our choice young people and many friends wish them well on the life journey on which they have entered. —Ballinger Banner Leader.

#### A Peep Into His Pocket

would show the box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve that E. S. Loper, a carpenter, of Marilla, N. Y. always carries. "I have never had a cut, wound, bruise, or sore it would not soon heal" he writes. Greatest healer of burns, boils, scalds, chapped hands and lips, fevers of the skin eruptions, eczema, the plan of and piles. 25c at Dayton has never been a force as Governor his first ter

#### A Call.

Fredericksburg, Tex. 6-30 Attention Confederate Veterans.

The Annual Reunion of the Mountain Remnant Brigade will be held at Ballinger, Runnels county, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, Aug. 2, 3, and 4, 1911.

Rations of bread, beef and coffee will be furnished all old soldiers, their wives and unmarried children; so come and make this the banner reunion of the Brigade.

Done by order of the general commanding.

B. W. PALMER, Brigadier General Commanding  
P. C. STRIEGLER, Adjutant General.

Robert Lee Baptist Church, Bible school every Sunday 10 A. M. Preaching every second Sunday 11 A. M. and 8 P. M.

J. J. Burney of Sherwood is here visiting his mother Mrs. M. A. Burney.

#### Afraid to Stay Alone.

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#### Editor's Ambition.

We have always had a desire, an ambition you might say, to be instrumental in promoting a railroad, somehow, somewhere. We believe, and will contend, that a railroad from San Angelo via Robert Lee and Loraine to a junction with the Santa Fe north of here would be a paying investment. We believe it will some day be a necessity. Why not keep this matter in view and without waiting until it reaches the phase where we will have to fight every town on the T. & P. in this vicinity for it, do some planning and cinch the road for Loraine.—Loraine News.

#### Kill More Than Wild Beast

The number of people killed yearly by wild beasts don't approach the vast number killed by disease germs. No life is safe from their attack. They're in air, water, dust, even food. But grand protection is afforded by Electric Bitters, which destroy and expel these deadly disease germs from the system. That's why chills, fever and ague, all malarial and many blood diseases yield promptly to this wonderful blood purifier. Try them, and enjoy the glorious health and new strength they'll give you. Money back if not satisfied. Only 50c at P. D. Coulson & Son.

One of Robert Lee's good ladies complains that her better half has become so enthusiastic over the state-wide proposition that she can't do anything with him. She says that he has so much argument on the brain that he is actually getting too trifling to gather up the eggs after she has called his attention to the cackling of the old hens.

For Sale—A good No. 3. Oliver Typewriter, little used. Apply to this office.

M. Patterson, of the Divide was here Wednesday.

—Cold drinks at W. C. Hickeys

# The Observer.

SUBSCRIPTION \$1.00 PER YEAR.

GEO. COWAN, EDITOR.

Entered in the postoffice at Robert Lee, Texas, as second-class mail matter.

ADVERTISING RATES — Single column, 12 1-2 cents per inch each insertion. Locals 5 cents per line. Resolutions of respect and cards of thanks 5 cents per line.

LOOK AT YOUR LABEL. The new postal law requires that all names in arrears one year be dropped until settlement is made. The month and year opposite your address is the time to which your subscription is paid.

All papers subscribed for and sent out of Coke county must be paid for in advance and will be discontinued at expiration of time paid for.

## Woodmen Celebrate at Sweetwater.

The celebration to be held under the auspices of the West Texas Log Rollers Association in Sweetwater, Texas, on August 3rd, 4th and 5th will be the biggest event of the kind ever held in the west. Arrangements are being made for the largest crowd that has ever assembled to celebrate any event in West Texas. The Association includes 500 W. O. W. Lodges with a membership of more than 40,000. The territory includes that whole of West Texas from Fort Worth to El Paso, and to Amarillo on the north.

A strong program has been arranged. The speakers include the Hon. Morris Sheppard, Judge Lattimore, Attorney General Jewel P. Lightfoot and other leaders in Woodcraft. The best W. O. W. Drill Teams in the State will contest for prizes.

Amusements too numerous to mention will be provided. A big Aeroplane ascension will be made each day. This alone will be worth the trip to Sweetwater. Baseball games between the best teams in the West will be pulled off each day. Foot races, Potato races, Fat Men's races and amusement contests for all will be provided. The celebration will be held in the Sweetwater Mineral Wells Park just south of the business section of the city, where shade and plenty of ice water will be provided for all. Excursion rates will be given on all roads entering the city. No other town in all the West is growing so rapidly as Sweetwater. You will have no trouble in reaching the city for this event as here is where the Santa Fe, the Orient and the T. & P. cross. Your friends from all West Texas will be here. Come, join them and enjoy the the occasion together.

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## Assessed Valuation.

Mrs. Johnson the Assessor gives the Assessed Valuation this year at \$33,330.60 which is a little over what it was last year.

Sprains require careful treatment. Keep quiet and apply Chamberlain's Liniment freely. It will remove the soreness and quickly restore the parts to a healthy condition. For sale by all dealers.

## Mrs. Cook Tells Truth.

Dexter, Ky. — In a signed statement, Mrs. Cook tells the truth about how Cardui brought back her health and strength. She says, "I could not get any relief, until I tried Cardui, the woman's tonic. I suffered more or less for 10 years, and was so weak and nervous I could hardly do my house work. Now I am in better health than ever before, am regular as clock work, do not suffer at all, and gain strength every day." Thousands of women have been helped back to health by Cardui. Try it.

## H. & T. C. May Come.

A visitor to Mason Monday informed the News that there was immediate prospects of the railroad from Llano to be extended west, the objective point likely being San Angelo or Sonora, as both places are anxious to get the road. Pontotoc, Fredonia, Voca and Brady are mentioned in connection with the proposal extension, but it is believed the chance for Mason to get the road is almost a certainty, as it is said that road has long contemplated building to Mason when any move was made.

The officials of that road have for years been familiar with the splendid business of this section, and have believed the road would develop great things and an immense volume of business accrue to them by coming to Mason. When the move is fully decided upon Mason will no doubt get the road.—Mason News.

## Facts

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Write for value with Stock and Poultry Medicine Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

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Mr. Gordon, of Cooledge, is here visiting his relatives, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Adams. He was called here by the serious illness of Mrs. Burney.

Lee Lynch and family, of San Angelo are here on a visit to their relatives J. W. Greer and family.

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## GOVERNOR JUDSON HARMON OF OHIO

By A. V. ABERNETHY

**C**OLUMBUS, O.—[Special.]—When the bribery charges against members of the Ohio general assembly exploded with the suddenness and force of a bomb and sent scores on a hunt for lawyers Governor Judson Harmon took the same view of the personality of guilt that he did when he reported to President Roosevelt that Paul Morton, a member of his cabinet, had been guilty of granting rebates while an officer of the Santa Fe railroad. "Guilt is always personal," said Harmon to Roosevelt, and he resigned his commission to investigate rebating because Teddy was inclined to shield Morton.

A few hours after the bribery charges were filed the Ohio executive sent out an order that no man should be spared in the legislative boodling investigation. Party and even personal friendships must be set aside, the governor said, and the entire situation cleaned up.

Throughout nineteen years of continuous control Republican state administrations, when charges of irregularities were made involving members of their party, assumed the attitude, "They are our thieves, and we must defend them." There is an Ohio statute which grants immunity to every

citizens had been demanding and pleading for in vain for decades.

The supremely important achievements of the Ohio Democracy under the leadership of Governor Harmon may be divided into transactions and legislations, first, for the elimination of graft; second, such reform in the tax system as will protect the taxpayer from the tax spender and will compel corporations to stop dodging taxes and pay along with all individual property owners; third, the application of business methods and economy in public expenditures, and, fourth, the enactment of purely non-partisan laws for the benefit of the entire people, irrespective of political parties, and designed to make rule by interest seeking corporations extremely difficult and rule by the people easy.

After he became governor two years ago Mr. Harmon quietly began his investigation of the methods by which public money had been loaned by Republican state treasurers. He learned they put interest earnings in their pockets. There followed in rapid order suits against the estate and bondsmen of W. S. McKinnon, former state treasurer, for \$116,785 and interest thereon; against former State Treasurer I. B. Cameron and his bondsmen for \$211,721 and interest thereon. They were

acts for a Republican for United States senator if the people by their votes declared for a Republican," the governor told this committee during the conference. "I would be proud to do it. I would simply be doing the will of the people." One of the committee suggested the Oregon plan was undemocratic. The executive replied, "It's the very essence of Democracy to put the government back into the hands of the people and let them say whom they want for United States senator."

Governor Harmon took a new tack and had a similar measure offered in the house, the Wyman bill. That body passed it and sent it to the senate, where the governor finally got sufficient Republican votes to save it.

Ohioans had demonstrations recently that their judiciary, one of the most sacred institutions of a free government, had been invaded by party bosses in their inordinate thirst for power. Instead of being places where the people could turn to invoke the penalties of the criminal statutes on those who had offended certain courts were being used, in cases where men of vast political power were concerned, to shield violators from the vengeance of the law.

But the general assembly took a long step forward from boss domination of the courts by enacting a bill providing in the future that all Ohio judges, from the dignified gowned justices of the supreme court down to the humble laymen who sit as justices of the peace, shall be elected on tickets absolutely free from party emblem or device. Nominations may be made by convention, but the power of bosses to control nominations was broken by a clause in the bill which says that nominations may be made by petitions. There is not another such law in the United States.

Ohio has been hampered by the crude, unwieldy machinery of a constitution which was adopted in 1850 and the subject of making a new organic law is the biggest and most important proposition that has come before a Buckeye general assembly in many years. Selfish hands were being outstretched to get control of the constitutional convention to be held in 1912 when Governor Harmon took charge of the arrangements for it and succeeded in getting through the general assembly a bill which will remove the delegates from political influence and make them responsible to the people only. So well did he manage the campaign that Ohio will set a precedent for all other states to follow when they come to rewrite their organic laws.

Nominations of delegates will be made by petition only, and nominees will be elected on ballots absolutely free from party device or emblem or any form of party designation. The liquor question, which has been a sore spot in Ohio for sixty years, will be finally settled when the new constitution is adopted.

The state when Governor Harmon grasped the reins of government had nineteen penal, reformatory and benevolent institutions, with the responsibility of governing them divided among nineteen separate boards of trustees, three members to a board. They were so conducted as to secure neither economy nor best results.

These trusteeships, all honorable positions and eagerly sought after, had been used as a sort of currency to purchase nominations and to repay the boys who had delivered votes in conventions. The trustees appointed superintendents and all subordinates, and these combined to furnish the dynamic power for the steam roller which the late Mark Hanna and Boss George R. Cox used to crush the life out of rebellions against the rule of the G. O. P. machine.

Governor Harmon's idea was that "the establishment which a Christian state maintains for charity are sacred and that every selfish purpose should perish at their doors."

Acting on this principle, the governor framed and forced through the general assembly a bill placing all employees of the institutions ranking below superintendent under civil service rules. The nineteen separate boards of trustees and nineteen stewards under this law were legislated out of office, and the duties of the fifty-seven trustees were placed in a single board of four, while a single fiscal agent replaced the nineteen stewards.

The advantage of purchasing supplies for all institutions in bulk and the reduction in employees will save the state \$500,000 a year. This law makes it possible to utilize the work of prisoners and also creates a market for their manufactured products by compelling all Ohio political divisions to purchase such supplies as they need from the penal institutions.

Employers and employees locked in a struggle over a workmen's compensation act, and when it seemed there would be no bill passed Governor Harmon stepped in and acted as arbitrator. A bill was framed and drafted that has been approved by both employees and employers.

The compulsory provisions which made the New York act unconstitutional were not incorporated into the Ohio act. Instead the employer could elect either to pay into the compensa-

tion fund or not to pay. If he should not avail himself of the law, however, the employee may sue for damages for injuries, or his legal representative in case of death may maintain the action. And in such suits the employer is deprived of the common law defenses of fellow servant rule, assumed risk and contributory negligence.

The employee cannot resort to the courts for damages when injured in the factory of a corporation which pays into the state compensation fund except when the injury is caused by the disregard of a law, ordinance or order issued by an authorized public officer providing for the protection of employees or by the willful wrong of an employer, his officer or agents.

The employer contributes 90 per cent of the compensation fund and the employees 10 per cent. Awards range from \$3,400 to \$1,500 and are graded on the scale of wages paid employees.

The taxing laws of the state were a joke when Mr. Harmon was inducted into office and the taxpayers had no means to check extravagance of their public officers. These men decided on the amount of money they were going to spend in a year and then made a levy to produce that amount. Taxpayers could do nothing but pay.

"The authority which demands must be curbed," said the executive in a message to the general assembly. That body obeyed and passed the Smith bill which limited the maximum tax rate that could be levied by public officers in each district to 1 per cent of tax duplicates. That was sufficient, the governor held, for an economical administration. If more money were needed there was incorporated in the Smith bill a provision for a referendum vote on a higher rate.

There were a large number of taxing boards composed of various state officers with jurisdiction over excise and other corporate taxation, but different boards were made up of different officers so that there could be no uniform and consistent action. Auditors in eighty-eight Ohio counties had nearly eighty-eight different rules of appraising property, with the result that no one got a square deal.

Governor Harmon had a bill drafted to abolish all these boards and to place the entire taxing machinery of the commonwealth in the hands of a single state commission of three members. Other new tax laws make it possible to chase out of hiding millions of dollars of property and also strengthen and broaden the inquisitorial powers of the state tax commission.

Ohioans expected big things from Judson Harmon when they elected him their governor. The achievements of the Democratic general assembly show the expectations of the people have been realized. He had been a leading attorney for years, but a search of his record disclosed Harmon, while he had corporations among his clients, had never given his talents to appear in a court suit against the people. As an attorney general of the United States he had proved to be a friend of the people, fighting through court cases which established the foundation of all jurisprudence on the anti-trust subject. In private life he was recognized as one of the ablest lawyers in Ohio.

In February, 1910, ten months before the state election in Ohio, when Judson Harmon would go before the people for re-election, Ohio Republicans by order of President Taft held a harmony meeting in Dayton. The Republicans at Dayton did not talk of helping President Taft or of restoring the Republican party; they talked about the chance of defeating Governor Harmon, and they did not talk hopefully. Unconsciously they paid a patent tribute to the real strength of the man. It suddenly revealed the tremendous success of Governor Harmon and his complete mastery of the political situation in Ohio. The plan of opposition outlined in Dayton has never ceased. No governor has ever been opposed by so strong a force as Governor Harmon.

During his first term of two years a Republican general assembly to discredit him reduced the treasury balance \$2,652,858.68 by making appropriations exceed revenues and also created obligations amounting to \$2,000,000 more by deciding to build new structures for state institutions. When the revenues were reduced \$500,000 a year by voting out saloons and several hundred thousands of dollars were added to the wrong column by the abolishment of prison labor contracts. Harmon's arms were apparently tied, and his enemies laughed at his discomfort.

The governor promptly reduced public expenditures. Then, instead of a general levy, the proper enforcement of the excise laws provided \$500,000 additional every year. The establishment of a market for prison manufactured goods and the concentration of authority over nineteen state institutions is expected to add another \$500,000 to the state revenues. Thus was the situation met and the state restored to a sound financial basis without any additional burdens being imposed on the people who are least able to be further taxed.

Voters like to support clean and able men, as has been demonstrated in many localities where the electors displayed remarkable discrimination in honoring exceptional men with an exceptional vote. This explains why in

a strongly Republican state Judson Harmon was elected governor of Ohio two years ago by a plurality of 19,372 in the face of a Republican plurality of 69,591 in the vote for president. On his record as governor of the state Judson Harmon was prepared to go before the people and ask re-election.

With precedent against him, the election machinery against him, the president of the United States, a citizen of the same state, fighting him for re-election and in the face of a strong Republican sentiment to combat, Governor Harmon nevertheless was given a majority of 101,000.

Ohio repudiated her favorite son, William H. Taft, president of the United States. Governor Harmon won the greatest Democratic victory in the history of Ohio or of the middle west. It was a crushing blow to the president.

There are some things in Ohio more popular than the Taft smile. One of them is the Hon. Judson Harmon, who will countenance no frills and who sits on the edge of a big table that occupies the center of the governor's reception room and chats with visitors. "Common as an old shoe" is the way Ohio farmers size up their governor after they see him perched on that table, swinging his feet, and hear him talk straight from the shoulder.

When he was attorney general he argued many cases before the supreme court—argued them well—so well that he earned many deserving compliments from bench and bar. Among them, and perhaps the most noted, was that of the United States against the Trans-Missouri Freight association. It was the first test as to the efficiency of the Sherman anti-trust law when applied to prevent an illegal combination of railroads. Mr. Harmon won, and the combination went by the boards.

Of a similar character were the suits against the Freight Traffic association and the Addyston Pipe company. Harmon was successful in both, and thus was established the law as it stands today.

There is an odd series of coincidences in the careers of Governor Harmon and President Taft. Always Harmon has followed Taft or Taft has followed Harmon. Harmon resigned as judge in Ohio, and Taft took his place. Then Mr. Taft became solicitor general of the United States. Harmon followed him to Washington as a cabinet member. Will he follow Taft to Washington again?

Governor Harmon was born in Newtown, Hamilton county, O., Feb. 3, 1846, and he therefore is in his sixty-fifth year. One not acquainted with this fact would take him to be no more than fifty-five. He is just as vigorous as a man of many years under fifty-five and as fond of sports and of the out of doors as a schoolboy. He rides with the grace of a regular army cavalryman, plays golf, competes with the crack rifle shots of the O. N. G. annually and makes good scores, goes to Michigan every summer for his vacation and fishes and fishes, and he is a baseball fan of the species that records each play made during a game on a score card.

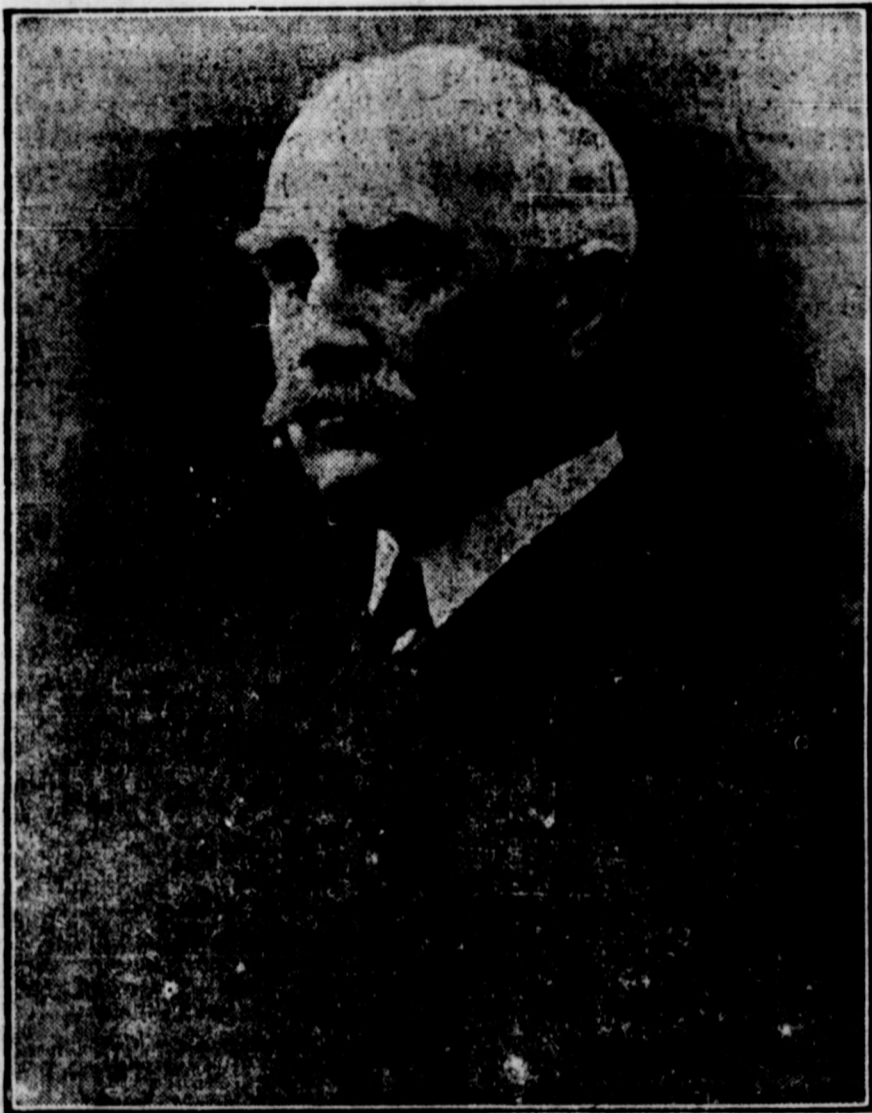
He was for years pitcher in a nine composed of business men who met every Saturday afternoon out in the suburbs of the Queen City to try diamond conclusions with teams from other localities. Judson Harmon never missed a game while he was in town. He would go to the ball field, shed his coat and collar and wade in and pitch nine straight innings with all the vigor of a big leaguer.

Mr. Harmon's father was a Baptist minister, and from him he received his early education. In 1866 he graduated from the Baptist college at Denison, Licking county, and in 1862 the school honored him with the degree of LL. D. He attended the Cincinnati Law school and graduated in 1869.

Mr. Harmon's idea of what Democracy should do can be summed up in the closing words of an interview which he gave, as follows:

"I take it that the true platform of the Democracy is the preservation to the utmost of the rights of the common man—the man who has not might or wealth to twist the current of events to suit himself, to observe to the strictest possible degree the limits of authority imposed by the constitution, to administer the government economically and in doing that to levy only the amount of taxes, direct or through a tariff, which will meet the expenses of the government."

"Am I a believer in the income tax?" said the governor in response to a question. "Most assuredly," he continued. "Without such a tax the expenses of the federal government, which now amount to a billion dollars per year, cannot be fairly distributed. They are now collected by tariff and other taxes on consumption, and the enormous vested wealth of the country escapes. A few states have undertaken to tax incomes, but, as I am advised, with little success. Changes of legal residence are too easy to make. The efficiency of a federal income tax has been proved. The levying of one would help secure the lowering of tariff taxes, so greatly and generally desired, while the people will watch more closely what is done with their money when they know they are paying taxes and how much."



HON. JUDSON HARMON, GOVERNOR OF OHIO.

one who testifies before a legislative committee, and this law, together with a whitewash brush, had prevented any Republican law violator from being haled before a court of justice.

Naturally there was a great rush by disraught members for legislative immunity. But Governor Harmon promptly pulled the plug of the immunity bathtub and prevented any one bathing in its soothing waters by insisting that no legislative investigating committee be appointed and that the inquest of the grand jury be the only probe.

Indictments were returned against seven members of the general assembly and the sergeant-at-arms of the senate, and these cases will take the same course as that of the most humble citizen who becomes involved in criminal charges. A coterie of Democrats who had been fighting the governor's bills were among the members indicted.

In less than three years of his administration Governor Harmon has made a record of accomplishment unparalleled in the history of Ohio politics. He has wrought more progress for the people than was accomplished in the forty years that preceded him. There has been written into the statutes legislation that the enlightened

Republicans. Another graft investigation brought forth the exposure, prosecution and conviction of Mark Slater, former Republican state printer, on graft charges in lesser degrees; the settlement of an interest claim of over \$5,700 on funds carried in the bank for former Republican State Auditor Walter D. Gullbert and the filing of a claim for over \$31,000 with the receiver of a defunct bank at Columbus as an interest charge on funds carried in that bank by Mr. Gullbert as auditor.

These revelations during the governor's first term awakened the civic conscience and paved the way for his subsequent re-election. The Democrats captured the general assembly at the same time.

Then Governor Harmon renewed his efforts in behalf of certain bills two Republican general assemblies denied him.

The most notable achievement accomplished by the executive during the legislative session was the enactment of the Wyman bill, including the Oregon plan of nominating and electing United States senators.

A conference committee was appointed to frame a compromise senatorial nomination and election bill. "I would

## LOCAL NEWS.

—Fresh Groceries at R. Hickey & Son.,

S. S. Craddock, of Sanco was in the city Monday.

J. P. Breedlove, of Sanco, was in the city Wednesday on business.

S. B. Kemp returned Wednesday from a business trip to San Angelo.

Chas Goss, and family are at Roscoe this week visiting relatives.

R. J. Lowery of Dallas visited his relatives J. A. Green and family Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Toliver returned Sunday from a weeks visit to Trent.

S. C. Wilkins went to Fort Chadbourne Wednesday afternoon on business.

Miss Frankie Graves is visiting her sister, Miss Sibbie at Ballinger this week.

Judges J. E. Greer and G. S. Arnold visited Bronte Tuesday on business.

—Buy your groceries from W. H. Bell & Co., the men who have the same price the year round.

Bob McFarland, of Bronte was in the city Saturday greeting his many friends.

Messrs Charlie William and Pleas Millican, of the Pecan settlement, were in the city Monday.

—Purity and freshness are paramount at our store, when it comes to groceries. W. H. Bell & Co.

The Home Mission Society will meet in social session with Mrs. Critz Monday afternoon at 5 o'clock.

Miss Lee Roe returned Wednesday from a two months visit to her sister, Mrs. Lyd Moreland at Fluvanna.

FOR SALE—A good 2 year-old Durham Bull. Price \$35.00. See me five miles east of Robert Lee. S. B. Ratliff.

Mr. Harvey Lamb, son of Mrs. S. B. Lamb, of this city, was in the city Monday from the Pecan community.

Dr. S. C. Parsons and little son Charlie, of San Angelo are over on a weeks visit to Judge and Mrs. D. I. Durham.

—For Sale—A 2 room house, 2 lots, well located, good cistern, storm house etc. Apply to W. B. Hamilton.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Clift and son Wayne left Wednesday afternoon for Fort Chadbourne to visit relatives a few days.

L. Z. Ashley and family have returned from Sweetwater where they have been the past few months. We are glad to welcome them back.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Douglas delighted the young people Saturday night with a delightful social which was well attended and greatly enjoyed.

Dr. Wallace M. Crutchfield and family of San Angelo who were visiting their relatives Rev. W. K. Simpson and family returned to their home Monday.

Right in your busiest season when you have the least time to spare you are most likely to take diarrhoea and lose several days time, unless you have Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy at hand and take a dose on the first appearance of the disease. For sale by all dealers.

### A Pleasant Evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Buchanan entertained the young people Tuesday night with a delightful social. Quite a number of the young people were present. The evening was spent in dancing and at Forty-two and other games.

### Parson's Poem A Gem.

From Rev. H. Stubenvoll, Allison, Ia; in praise of Dr. King's New Life Pills. "They're such a health necessity, in every home these pills should be. If other kinds you've tried in vain, USE DR. KING'S and be well again. Only 25c at P. D. Coalson & Son.

J. J. Yarbrough of the Valley View section brought to the Observer office Saturday a sample of the best corn we have seen raised in the county. He planted his corn early and as a result will get a fine yield. He also has several acres of maize that is fully matured, which was also planted early.

### Buy your whis-kies in gallon lots from G. T. Avery, San Angelo, Texas.

Our friend W. N. Roberts one of the best and most successful farmers in Coke county treated the editor and family last Saturday to a nice mess of roasting ears and a delicious water melon. Mr. Roberts is making a splendid crop of cane, cotton, maize and melons this year with intensified farming.

### Notice Patrons.

All water users will please stop irrigating at 6:30 each afternoon. Irrigation on Sunday is positively prohibited.

Robert Lee Water Works Co. Will Sykes, Manager.

### Notice of Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas county of coke: Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a certain alias execution, issued out of the Hon Justice court Precinct No. 1 coke county, Texas on the 13th day of June 1911, by W. L. Clawson, Justice of the Peace, under a judgment, in favor of The First National Bank of Robert Lee, in a certain cause in said court No. 197 and styled The First National Bank of Robert Lee vs J. N. Tannehill B. N. Tannehill and c. S. Bond insatisfaction of said judgment amounting to \$76.78 and placed in my hands for service, I, Will Hickman Sheriff of coke county, Texas, did on the 13th day of June 1911, levy on certain real estate situated in coke county, Texas, described as follows to-wit:

West part of the J. T. Hanson survey No. 2, certificate No. 1348 Abstract No. 1878, containing 107-1-2 of land, sold to B. N. Tannehill by the State of Texas on the 17th day of August 1901, relied on as the property of the defendants J. N. Tannehill and B. N. Tannehill, and on the First Tuesday in August 1911 the same being the 1st day of said month at the court house door of said county in the town of Robert Lee, Texas between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. by virtue of said levy and said alias execution, I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue for cash to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. N. Tannehill and B. N. Tannehill, and in compliance with the law I give this notice by publication in the English language once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale in The Robert Lee Observer, a news paper published in coke county, Texas. Witness my hand this 8th day of July A. D. 1911.

Will Hickman, Sheriff, coke county, Texas. By L. J. Cowart, Deputy.

### Ice, Ice, Ice.

—We will supply the trade in future with ice in any quantity which will be strictly cash. R. Hickey & Son.

### Citation by Publication.

The state of Texas. To the Sheriff or any Constable of Coke county, Greeting:-

You are hereby commanded to summon the unknown heirs of Collin M. Beason, deceased, the unknown heirs of William I. Hunter, deceased, the unknown heirs of W. L. Hunter, deceased, and the unknown heirs of James H. Durst, deceased, by making publication of this citation once a week for eight successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some news paper published in your county, if there be a news paper published therein, but if not, then in any news paper published in the 51st Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said judicial District, then in any newspaper published in the nearest Judicial District to said 51st Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Coke county, Texas, to be holden at the Court house thereof, in Robert Lee on the 3rd. Monday in September A. D. 1911. the same being the 18th day of September A. D. 1911, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 22nd day of June A. D. 1911 in a suit numbered No. 625 on the docket of said court, wherein H. M. Lightfoot is plaintiff and the unknown heirs of Collin M. Beason, deceased, the unknown heirs of William I. Hunter, deceased, the unknown heirs of James H. Durst, deceased and R. M. Thomson are defendants, said petition alleging as follows:

The State of Texas, County of Coke. In the District Court of Coke County, Texas September Term A. D. 1911. To the Honorable District Court of Coke County, Texas:

Now comes H. M. Lightfoot, a resident citizen of Nolan County, Texas hereinafter styled plaintiff, complaining of the unknown heirs of Collin M. Beason, deceased, the unknown heirs of William I. Hunter, deceased, the unknown heirs of James H. Durst, deceased, the unknown heirs of W. L. Hunter, deceased, all of which defendants residences are unknown to this plaintiff, and R. M. Thomson who resides in Travis County, Texas, and for cause of action plaintiff represents as follows:

That heretofore to-wit: on or about the 1st day of June 1911 plaintiff was then and is now seized and possessed, holding the same in fee simple title as hereinafter shown, the following described tracts of land located and situated in Coke County, Texas, to-wit:

1st Survey No. 22 1-2 in the name of W. L. Hunter Certificate No. 22-193 for 114 1-2 acres, Abstract No. 205 Vol. 16.

2nd. Survey No. 23 1-2 in the name of Lewis Carrison certificate No. 3822-3923 Abst No. 47 Patent No. 483 Vol. 23 containing 854,692 square varas of land.

3rd. Survey No. 30 in the name of Collin M. Beason located by virtue of Unlocated Balance of Certificate No. 2902-3003 issued by the Commissioner of the General Land office June 29th 1853, patent No. 257 Vol. 25, and containing 1,107,252 square varas and designated by Abstract No. 15.

That plaintiff and those under whom he claims, have been so seized and possessed of said three tracts of land under deeds duly recorded in the deed records of Coke County, Texas, having paid all taxes due on said land up to the date of the filing of this suit, and in actual peaceable and adverse possession of said three tracts of land, having the same enclosed by a good and lawful fence, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for more than five years next preceding the filing of this suit and that plaintiff's said title to said lands has long since been perfected by the five years statute of limitation herein pleaded and asserted;

Plaintiff further alleges that he and those under whom he claims have been in actual, peaceable and adverse possession of said lands, having the same enclosed by a good and lawful fence, cultivating, using and enjoying the same for more than ten years next preceding the filing of this suit, and that plaintiff's said title to said land has long since been perfected by the ten years statute of limitation herein pleaded and asserted.

That on or about the said 1st day of June 1911 while plaintiff was so lawfully seized and possessed of the title hereinbefore pleaded, the defendants above named asserted and are now asserting some pretended claim of title in and to said lands, the exact

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nature of which is unknown to plaintiff, which has cast a cloud upon the plaintiff's title to said lands and disturbed his peaceable possession thereof to his damage.

Wherefore, premises considered plaintiff prays that the defendants whose residence is alleged to be unknown be cited by publication in the manner and form and for the length of time required by law, to answer herein and that citation issue to said defendant R. M. Thomson as required by law, and that upon final hearing that he have judgment against them for the recovery of the title and possession of the said three tracts of land, and that said cloud so cast thereon be removed, and that he be quieted in his possession thereto, and for all cost in this behalf expended and for general relief. S. B. Kemp, Attorney for plaintiff.

Herein fail not, but have before said Court at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness R. E. Douglas Jr; Clerk of the District court of Coke county, Texas.

Given under my hand and seal of said court at office in Robert Lee, Texas this the 22nd day of June A. D. 1911.

R. E. Douglas Jr. Clerk of the District court, of Coke county Texas.

### Notice of Sheriff's Sale

The State of Texas, County of Coke: Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of a certain execution and order of sale issued out of the honorable Justice court of Coke county, Texas, precinct No. 2, on the 22nd day of June 1911, by P. W. Hudman, justice of the peace thereof under a judgment and foreclosure of a lien in favor of C. B. Hines in a certain cause in said Court No. 71, styled C. B. Hines vs, J. J. Perry and J. A. Perry in satisfaction of said Judgment and foreclosure of lien amounting to \$59.85 placed in my hands for service, I Will Hickman as Sheriff of Coke county, Texas, did on the 22nd day of June A. D. 1911, levy on certain real estate situated in Coke county Texas, described as follows in said order of sale, to-wit: Belonging to the defendant J. A. Perry, the North half of Lot No 19 Block No 42 in the town of Bronte, also 3-4 acres Abstract No. 252, Cert No. 37-4062 original Grantee H & T C Ry Co being the same land conveyed by J. R. Bierschwale and Hilery Bierschwale to J. A. Perry by deed dated April 1st 1910 and recorded in book No. 25 page 185 Deed records of Coke county, Texas, also the following property situated in Coke county, Texas levied on as the property of the defendant J. J. Perry, to-wit: The South half of Lot No. 19 Block No. 42 in the town of Bronte, Coke county, Texas, and on the 1st Tuesday in August 1911 same being the 1st day of said month at the Court house door of said county in the town of Robert Lee, Texas between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. by virtue of said levy and said execution and order of sale, I will sell said above described real estate at public vendue for cash to the highest bidder, as the property of said J. J. Perry and J. A. Perry, and in compliance with the law I give this Notice, by publication in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, a newspaper published in Coke county, Texas.

Witness my hand, this the 8th day of July A. D. 1911.

Will Hickman, Sheriff, Coke county, Texas. By L J Cowart, Deputy.

Miss Sallie Patterson, of the Divide, is the guest of Miss Lena Simpson this week.

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