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COMMENTS ON BOYS' ENCAMPMENT

An Excellently Managed Feature that was Enjoyed and Profitable to Every Boy Participating

Bert Ramsay one day this week handed us the following clipping from the Progressive Farmer:

Of the many good features of the Midland Fair and Inter-State Stock Show, held at Midland, Texas, September 26 to 30, there was none better or none that was really of a more truly constructive character than the encampment of the boys of West Texas, held under the auspices of the Texas A. & M. College and the Midland Fair Association.

The management of the encampment was directly under the supervision of Mr. H. H. Williamson, representing the A. & M. College, and Mr. Bert Ramsay, on the part of the Fair Association, ably assisted by County Demonstration Agents W. C. Calvert, of Sweetwater, and W. A. Dailin, of Colorado.

These men had some 80 boys under their supervision, coming from counties of the western part of the state. These boys ranged from the little fellows not over twelve years of age to the big boy of seventeen and eighteen, but irrespective of their ages, they all enjoyed and profited by the encampment. Arrangements had been made for their sleeping in a tent upon the grounds, but the first day of the fair a genuine Texas norther laid this establishment low, and the boys were moved to a large vacant store building in the town of Midland that had been amply provided with cots.

A characteristic feature was the provision for feeding these boys. This consisted of a number of regular "chuck wagons," located upon the fair grounds, and from which regularly three times a day the yell of "chuck" sent the boys scampering to the wagons. While the arrangements for cooking were crude and just such as are used in a regular "chuck" outfit, the best hotels of the land never served better prepared or more savory meals, and these, when flavored with the sauce of outdoors, were never eaten with more relish.

Each morning of the encampment was spent in listening to lectures in the tent set aside for that purpose upon some important subject of farming, and in many instances these lectures were illustrated by the use of material upon exhibition at the fair. A regular order of procedure at this morning session was a quiz of the boys upon things that they had seen at the fair and things that had attracted their attention. This great western country always will be a cattle country and this fact was recognized by the various lectures, as the bulk of the work given these boys here either directly upon the raising of live stock or upon the raising of crows with which to feed these live-stock.

In the many encampments we have seen we have never known a more interested crowd of boys nor a set more easily handled. During the whole four days of the fair there was not one single case of disorder among them

and scarcely a single breach of the rules.

We wish especially to compliment the fair management and the A. & M. College upon their fortunate selection of men to place in charge of these boys. No father could have been more solicitous of their comfort and well being and no professional "boy companion" could have seen better to their amusement. As an illustration of the close personal care given these boys, Mr. Williamson's last act each night before putting them to bed was to pass among them with a pot of lotion guaranteed to cure sore toes. We understand that he used two separate supplies upon this occasion.

While there can be no question but that the exhibits at the Midland Fair will prove of great value to the country—that the magnificent Hereford display and sale has placed Midland upon the map as a Hereford center and will mean much for its future development,—yet in our opinion the Midland Fair Association did nothing that means as much for the future prosperity of the country as the holding of the encampment, and there is no money they spent that will come back with greater interest.

The corps of lecturers assisting in making this encampment a success consisted of Mr. Williamson, C. M. Evans, C. C. French and T. O. Walton, of the Texas A. & M. College Extension Work. The work of these men was ably supplemented by lectures from prominent visitors and practical men visiting the fair. It was also the writer's privilege to address these boys upon two separate occasions.

EDITOR IN THE HAY REPORTER ON THE BUM

Going on two weeks now, Editor C. C. Watson has been confined to his bed suffering with rheumatism, in fact this seems to be the worst spell of this entertaining malady he has ever "enjoyed." The Reporter's news columns has been sadly neglected, being left in the hands of the cub, printers and devils. Some of the printers, two of them, have also been threatened with la grippe, pneumonia, epusodic, hook-worms, influenza—otherwise we are all right. The cub has had to run the linotype, clip the exchanges, answer phone calls, feed the office cat, refuse amateur poetry, change ends of the office towel and play the devil generally, and therefore when the rag does come out we are ready to take the cussin's. We trust that the editor will be able to come out of the hay next week, and rub up against the mast-head once more, for we are up "agin'" it and we don't know where to kick in next—we're tired, sore, flubberbusted, mad—gr-r-r-r-r-r.

DR. JNO. B. THOMAS GOES TO PHILADELPHIA

Dr. Jno. B. Thomas left this week for a thirty days stay in Philadelphia. The Doctor goes to this city to attend the Clinical Congress of Surgeons which convenes there October 23-28, inclusive. Dr. Thomas will visit New York and other points before returning to Midland.

A GALA OCCASION SOON FOR MIDLAND

It will be an event long to be remembered when on Thursday, Nov. 9th, the Cole Bros.' Big World Toured Show and Trained Wild Animal Exhibition arrives in Midland. For this big, giant, three-fold show has struck a solar plexus blow to the rest of the sadwest fraternity. Never in the history of showdom has such a varied collection of wild animals, marvelously educated and trained horses, ponies and other performing domestic animals been brought together. In fact, the Cole Bros. have combined their big shows in one big gigantic organization that offers an entertainment surpassed by none. Always they have maintained a clean and refined show and this season they have eclipsed all previous efforts to carry still further their standard of excellence in every department. Not a suggestive or offensive act is allowed to offend the most fastidious or permitted to mar a performance that is joy supreme. The women and children auditors are considered first and their comfort and enjoyment is the first consideration of the Cole Bros., whose wonderful amusement institution is educational as well as entertaining. There are so many marvelous and thrilling features, so much to interest and please for the big arena is jammed full of high class performers, many stars of proven ability collected from far European countries and secured through the business agency of the Cole Bros. The best are none too good. The same applies to their blooded stock which consists of the largest variety of thoroughbred horses ever controlled by one management. High school and posing horses, the world's record holding high jumpers, a lengthy array of gymnasts, aerialists, jugglers, tumblers and many other exploits of dexterity and daring. This mammoth caravan filled with the wonders of the Arabian Nights, employs sufficient people to fill a village and transportation is made in their own steel trains; while the big free street parade showing open cages of wild animals is a revelation in artistic trappings, gorgeous chariots and superb horses. adv.

CAR TURNS TURTLE WITH JOY RIDERS

Last Wednesday night while Secretary W. B. Starr and family and R. W. Garner were taking a little pleasure spin in Mr. Starr's car, what came near being a fatal accident occurred just four miles east of the city. They were riding along at a pretty lively clip when the car turned turtle, throwing the occupants out. Mr. Garner was pinned under the car and was badly injured about the chest. Mr. Starr and the other occupants were pretty badly bruised and shaken up, but no bones broken and all are getting along very nicely at this writing, Thursday afternoon. The car was badly demolished.

Miss Jessie Hampton, Homer Tony Hampton and Mrs. Edgar Hampton returned last Monday from a visit to El Paso.

CONSIDERABLE CATTLE SHIPPED THIS WEEK

On October 14th, the following shipments were made from Metz, Texas:

Jno. M. Cowden & Son, 6 cars cattle to Fort Worth markets.

M. J. Allen 2 cars cattle to Fort Worth markets.

Richard Waddell 1 car cattle to Ft. Worth markets.

On the same date the following shipments were made from Odessa:

W. W. Brunson 2 cars of cattle to Kansas City and 1 car to Ft. Worth.

C. F. Cowden 2 cars to Fort Worth.

On October 15th, the following shipments went out from Odessa:

T. A. Sacra 7 cars to Fort Worth.

E. P. Cowden 1 car calves to Fort Worth.

H. E. Cummins 2 cars cows to Fort Worth.

B. C. Girdley 1 car calves to Athens, Alabama.

A. W. Wight 1 car steers to Athens, Alabama.

AT THE UNIQUE THEATRE THIS WEEK

Tonight, "The Eternal Grind," a genuine Pickford classic, presents the incomparable Mary in the greatest of her screen triumphs. Always human, lovable and impulsive, she reveals a typical and powerful portrayal of her part in this great epic of the masses with a charm that is all her own.

Tuesday night, John Barrymore, the prominent star, who is far famed as a screen comedian and whose veritable talent makes him excruciatingly funny in comedy scenes, impressive in dramatic situations, and truly lovable as a lover, will be seen in one of his most popular plays, "Nearly a King." Also the second episode of the new series—"Timothy Dobb's—that's me." The appearance of Carter De Haven always insures a carnival of mirth and in this series he has attained a genuine laugh triumph.

Next Friday night the beautiful Charlotte Walker will be featured in a stirring play, "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine," adapted from the book of the same name by John Fox, Jr.

The regular Universal program for this week is exceptionally good, particularly the feature Monday night, which stars J. Warren Kerrigan in one of the best pictures he has ever played. It is unusual for the "Jack of Hearts" to take the role of a fighting hero, but in "The Beckoning Trail," he lays aside all kid glove methods and in the end finds the antidote to Broadway's lure in a mountain girl's deep eyes.

The program for the past week has been one of high merit. The two features, "The Reform Candidate," with Maclyn Arbuckle, and "To Have and to Hold," with Mae Murray, were unsurpassable for their kind and were immensely popular with all who saw them.

The great serial "Liberty" will begin Thursday and it is said there is bigger punch, more suspense and thrilling action in it than in any other serial produced. Marie Wolcamp, Eddie Polo and Jack Holt prove daring performers in this remarkable picture which fairly turns and buzzes with

speed, surprise, adventure and climax. It is written around the United States' interest in Mexico and will be watched with great interest by every one who is interested in the Mexican situation. adv.

SOME NEWS NOTES FROM MIDLAND COLLEGE

Improvements continue about the campus. A fine bed is being prepared for spring flowers. A new tennis court for the young men has been made. Additions have been made to the kitchen, garden providing for fall and winter vegetables.

The Athenian and Olympian societies held interesting sessions at their regular hour Tuesday morning. The feature of the Olympian session was a debate on the question, Resolved, That the Wilson Administration should be returned to power on November 7th. The debaters were: Affirmative, Foster Averitt and Thos. Osburn; negative, Morrow Boynton and Edgar Lawrence. The discussion was well conducted and full of interest.

Mrs. F. G. Jones and son, Bush, left Tuesday afternoon for a visit to her mother, Mrs. L. W. Bush, at Allen, Texas, and incidentally for a day at the Dallas Fair.

The college was favored on Monday by Rev. Walter L. Thompson, pastor of the Christian church at Odessa. Mr. Thompson is a former teacher, having served as president of the Southern Christian College in Tennessee. He takes a lively interest in education having had a prominent part in the teachers' institute held at Odessa recently. He has promised an interesting stereopticon lecture on "How We Obtained Our Bible," at the Christian church here soon.

Prof. Hunter was summoned to his old home at Allen, Texas, on last Saturday, to be at the bed side of his mother who is dangerously ill. He telegraphed that her condition is improved, and that unless there is a change for the worse, he will return to Midland soon.

New students in the various departments of the college are reported every week. The fine arts business and domestic science departments are doing well. One of the latest features is a sketching class in the art department. The students are already sketching their fellow students often with good effect. Some from the city are taking domestic arts. A good number are taking book-keeping, short-hand and typewriting.

Orders are being made this week for chemical biological and physical apparatus and supplies, that will bring the college laboratories up to the new inter-collegiate standard. The library will soon reach 2,000 volumes to meet this same standard. The total expenditures required for these purposes will total \$2,000 which will be met by the funds secured in late educational campaigns.

Dick Arnett came home from Saragosa this week; where he has been for some time on business. Reports good rains and lots of water all the way to Midland.

Walter Cochran is here this week from his ranch near Odessa and reports good rains.

HIGHEST HONORS IN HIGH SCHOOL

Sixty Pupils Win Distinction in the Report of the First Month in Our City Schools

Following are the names of those pupils in the high school who won distinction in the work of the first month, which closed Sept. 29th, 1916. These are divided into three groups. Those who averaged 90 or more in scholarship for the month won the distinction of "summa cum laude" (with highest honors); those who averaged 85 to 90 minus won the distinction of "magna cum laude," (with high honors); and those who averaged 80 to 85 minus won the distinction of "cum laude," (with honors). The numbers after the names indicate the number of courses carried:

Eleventh Grade
"Summa Cum Laude"—90 or more:
Ruth Clark, 5.

"Magna Cum Laude"—85 to 90 minus:
Ernest McCall, 5; Lee Terry, 5; Mary Lee Finney, 5; Annie Mae Patterson, 5; Essie Cowden, 5.
"Cum Laude"—80 to 85 minus:
Naomi Mabry, 5; Lula Mae Brunson, 5; Joe Caldwell, 5; Leona McCormick, 4.

Tenth Grade
"Summa Cum Laude"—90 or more:
Ciella Denton, 5.
"Magna Cum Laude"—85 to 90 minus:
Miriam Crossett, 5.
"Cum Laude"—80 to 85 minus:
Lena Kate Baker, 5; Hallie Rhea Jewell, 5.

Ninth Grade
"Summa Cum Laude"—90 or more:
Duncan Garner, 5; Thelma Estes, 5; Hazel Hollingsworth, 5; Henry Fleenor, 5; Ruth Terry, 5; Ruby Willis, 5; Birdie Brown, 5.
"Magna Cum Laude"—85 to 90 minus:
Franklin Whitefield, 5; Sidney Quick, 5; Lois Balch, 5; Roxie Nugent, 5.
"Cum Laude"—80 to 85 minus:
Jim Blakeway, 5; Norman Benedict, 5; Marie Dykstra, 5; Melrose Florey, 5; Byrde Hlavs, 5; Helena Henson, 5; Robert Crigler, 5; Newell Beauchamp, 4.

Eighth Grade—Section A
"Summa Cum Laude"—90 or more:
Carolyn Caldwell, 5; Janice Wylie, 5; Welf Curtis, 5; Grace Terry, 5; Fay Taylor, 5.
"Magna Cum Laude"—85 to 90 minus:
Dovie Brown, 5; Elizabeth Lynch, 5; Nina Mae Bayes, 4; Ola Mae Dublin, 4; Mary Yates, 5.
"Cum Laude"—80 to 85 minus:
Henry Moore, 5; Nannie Sue Blakeway, 4; Ruth Bedford, 5; Bernice Griffin, 4; Floy Holloway, 5; Evetts Haley, 5.

Eighth Grade—Section B
"Summa Cum Laude"—90 or more:
Richard Cain, 5; Laura Smith, 5.
"Magna Cum Laude"—85 to 90 minus:
Daisy Duprey, 4; Alvin Johnson, 4; Crystal Shepherd, 4.
"Cum Laude"—80 to 90 minus:
Nannie Lou Tidwell, 4; Roy Selman, 5; George Sinclair, 4; Oscar Ragsdale, 5; Hugh Crossett, 5; Charles O'Donnell, 5.

T. Z. Brown is reported critically ill this week, suffering of pneumonia. We trust he will soon be up again.

READY-TO-WEAR TO-DAY

Mackinaws for Men and Boys, all sizes to fit, also prices to fit all pockets. Skating Sets for Children also Ladies. Silk and Wool Sweaters for Ladies, Misses and Children. Sweaters for Men and Boys.

We have now on display one of the best lines shown in Midland in Knit Goods, now ready for use. Just received shipment of Childrens' Coats, Good Styles and Good Values.

We Have a Fresh Shipment of Groceries Each Day, Don't Forget to Phone us Your Orders.

Grocery Phone No. 6

"THE MERCANTILE"

Dry Goods Phone No. 284

"THE STORE THAT SAVES YOU MONEY"

and wood all appreciate at R. E. Nutt. adv 2-3t

IMPORTANT ARTICLE LEFT OUT THIS WEEK

We were compelled to leave a very important article out this week. The reason is, the party who sent said article in must have taken the quill between his toes and scratched out a map of Ireland—anyhow the cub nor any of the printers could cipher it out. It must have been pretty important and we are indeed sorry that we have no magician working on The Reporter force to help us out of such delimas as the above mentioned. We could not tell whether the article dealt upon the subject of the Declaration of Independence or jack rabbits in Toadlope. It looked like a cross between a Chinese marriage license and a Hottentott meal ticket. We will preserve said epistle and tenderly nurse it in an incubator until the editor comes back and maybe he can draw something from the aforementioned parchment with a suction pump. Peace to its ashes 'till further notice.

FORD CARS HAVE HAD GOOD SALES

Following is a list of Ford cars that have been sold by Manning & Yarborough this week: W. B. Starr, Midland. Theo. Ray, Midland. T. C. Barnesley, Odessa. E. B. Evans, Midland. John S. Lyle, Midland. D. W. Brunson, Midland. Geo. Terry, Midland. Young Lee, Midland. J. H. Barron, Midland. Burl Holloway, Midland. Pearl Rankin, Midland. Dr. J. F. Haley, Midland. J. L. Johnson, Odessa.

A SUMMER LAXATIVE AND LIVER REGULATOR

Po-Do-Lax is a liquid laxative—mild and effective. It arouses the liver, increases the bile, does not gripe and acts as a general tonic to the whole system. Aids nature to clear and purify the blood—as a laxative tonic for summer Po-Do-Lax has no equal. "What was good enough for my father is good enough for me" never applied with more force than the use of Po-Do-Lax for the liver. An old time tried remedy. Get a bottle, take a dose tonight and see how much better you feel. At all druggists. adv No. 3

THREE BANDITS ROB AN OKLAHOMA BANK

At Centralia, Okla., on October 18, three bandits entered the First National Bank, ordering four officers and two customers of the bank to lie down on the floor with face downward, rifled the cash drawer and vault of approximately \$6,000 and then locked the men in the vault and escaped by automobiles. A store clerk saw the bandits leaving the bank building and suspecting robbery entered the bank and released the six men. A posse was then organized and the bandits were tracked 12 miles, the trail finally becoming lost and the chase abandoned.

HANG AND BURN TWO NEGROES IN KENTUCKY

Two negroes were lynched by a mob in Paducah, Ky., on Oct. 16th, and their bodies burned. One was charged with attacking a white woman and the other was accused of voicing approval of the action. The negroes were taken from the jail by a mob of citizens who overpowered the guards, and were hanged near the home of the woman attacked.

Wanted to loan on stock farms and ranches, on five years time, reasonable rate of interest. Call on me for full particulars. W. J. Moran, Midland, Texas. adv 2-2t

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Rooms to Rent—Apply to Mrs. Jesson. adv 2-2t.

Midland News Company has the best. adv 2-2t.

Frank Stewart, of Sweetwater, was here early in the week.

Phone 193 and get it for less. The Broken \$ Store. adv 46tf

We deliver. Phone 193, Broken \$ Store. adv 46tf

Wanted—Room and board, close in. Apply to "Roomer" at Reporter. adv

Midland News Company's fruits and candies are unexcelled. adv 2-2t

You save on every purchase at the Broken \$ Store. Phone 193. 46tf

Do you need glasses? See Prof. J. D. Shaw, phone 434. adv 49-tf

Make 193 your quick service. Call and save. The Broken \$ Store. 46-tf.

Dr. Clifton Carter came in from the west early in the week from an inspecting trip.

For Sale—Two lots next to the square. Very desirable for residence, close in. Phone 132. adv 24-tf

We are glad to report Miss Bradford Higgins very much improved after a serious operation a week ago.

Jno. Reynolds is in from his ranch in Upton County this week and reports good rains all over the country.

We are glad to announce that Col. W. H. Pepper is able to be on the streets again after a two months' illness.

Wanted to Borrow—\$2000 on 480 acres of fine mesquite land in Glasscock County. Box 823 Floresville, Texas. adv 2-2t.

Carl Underwood came in from Shafter Lake, where he is employed on a ranch. Reports good rains all over the country.

S. Holfield, horseman from Lovington, N. M., came in this week with 2 cars of horses that he shipped to Louisiana markets.

Jno. Sacra came in this week from his ranch in the northwest part of Andrews county, and gives good reports of rains.

Mrs. J. A. Jones and little daughter, of Fort Worth, have been the guests of Mrs. Jones' sister, Mrs. W. E. Bradford, this week.

Ed Long, employed on the Edwards Bros.' ranch near Morrishans, was in this week, and reports good rains and range and stock flourishing.

F. M. Collom was in from his ranch 25 miles south this week, and reports good rains and range and cattle in the very best of condition.

E. D. Estes, of Marshall, was here Wednesday. Mr. Estes is general manager of the T. & P. supply train from New Orleans to El Paso.

We made a mistake last week in speaking of Sam Brown buying the Woular ranch of 300 acres near Grandfalls. The ranch consisted of 30 sections.

After visiting friends and relatives in Midland for some time, Sam Holloway, an old time Midland cattleman, returned to his home in Long Beach, Cal., this week.

J. H. Medlin, who ranches just east of Midland, was in this week, and reports good rains and everything looking fine. He renewed his subscription to The Reporter for another year.

Residence for Sale—My home on West Wall Street. One of the best neighborhoods and locations in the city. Quarter block of ground. W. D. Ellis, Phone 208. adv 45tf

J. H. Schlittler, came down from his ranch 5 miles south of Odessa this week, and reports 2 1/2 inch rain in the last ten days, range good and weeds coming in thick.

When you need any veterinary or dental work done, you will find me located at the livery stable south of the railroad, phone No. 69, Dr. J. A. McBea, Veterinary Surgeon adv 51-tf

Must be Sold—Lots 11, 12, 13, block 12, near court house, Stanton, Texas. Best cash offer takes them. Address N. R. Northcutt, 619 N. Kansas, El Paso, Texas. adv 2-2tp

For Exchange—Nearly new \$200 Victrola with over \$60 worth of the best records; and some two-year-old bald face heifers. Write Box 774, Midland, Texas, or phone 406. adv 1tf

Chas. McClintic came home the first of the week from the "JAL" range where he has been looking over the crop situation. Reports range and cattle in fine shape.

For Sale—Four room house, 6 lots, well, 30 foot water, pump, in business section of town. Price \$750. Easy terms. Apply to A. R. Toby, Midland, Texas. adv 33tf

Small ranch for sale, 6000 acres, good grass and plenty of water, 20 miles east of Saragosa. Write Box 137, Saragosa, Texas, for particulars. adv 1-2tpd.

Goats—Strayed from O. B. Holt's ranch 25 miles north of Midland, ten head of Spanish goats. Finder notify O. B. Holt, Jr., Midland, Texas, and receive reward. adv 51-4tp

Dr. Buchanan, practice limited to diseases of eye, ear, nose and throat, and fitting of glasses. Office over Basham, Shepherd & Company's music store. Here 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month. adv 3-tf

For Sale—700-acre farm, half mile of Midland, Texas. For prices and terms address R. A. Roberson, Box 1, Midland, Texas, or Dr. J. F. Roberson, P. O. Box 1236, Ft. Worth, Texas. adv 51-4tp.

For Sale—One "Flying Mercury" bicycle, man's size, in good condition, fine for riding to school. Price with lamp, pump and tool bag \$15. See Henry Moore, at Presbyterian mans. adv 47-tf.

BIG NORTHER WEDNESDAY FROST THURSDAY

The first introduction to "King Winter" was a big norther on Wednesday night. Thursday the norther continued and those who had not prepared for this forerunner from "Greenland's Ice Mountains," were busy all day Thursday putting up heaters and buying coal and overcoats. Thursday night we had a considerable frost.

A DOCTOR'S REMEDY FOR COUGHS

As a cure for coughs and colds Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey combines these remedies in just the right proportion to do the most good for summer coughs or colds. A trial will prove the value of this splendid cough medicine. Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey soothes the irritation, stops your cough, kills the cold germs and does you a world of good. A 25c bottle will more than convince you—it will stop your cough. All druggists. adv. No. 3.

TROPICAL STORM MOVING ACROSS GULF OF MEXICO

The tropical storm is now in the Gulf of Mexico and moving northward across the Gulf and northwest, says an Associated Press report dated at Washington, Oct. 17th. Storm warnings were ordered today by the weather bureau from Carrabal, Florida, to Galveston.

MURPHY'S COMEDIANS PLAYING HERE

Murphy's Comedians have been in Midland all this week playing in their tent theatre. This show has been liberally patronized by the citizenship and all have pronounced the show a good one.

TURKEY WARNS U. S. SHIP PASSING COAST

Washington, Oct. 18.—The Turkish government today warned the United States that neutral ships, including American, passing between the Turkish coast and the islands of Khios and Samos in the Aegean Sea might become targets of gun fire from Turkish military forces.

Aldredge Estes returned last Monday from the Texas Christian University at Fort Worth. He was taken sick and compelled to return home.

WOODS DENOUNCES BUILDING UP MONOPOLY OF LAWYERS

CRITICISES ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR PROMISCUOUS FILING OF SUITS IN HOME TOWN OF DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS.

Freedom of the Press Favored.

I am not unmindful of the fact that I am asking for one of the most important offices in the greatest State in the greatest nation in the world, and I recognize that the citizenship of Texas is entitled to a statement of the policies I shall pursue in the event of my election, and to know at what important points my administration would differ from that of the present incumbent. This subject was fully covered in my opening address, but I now desire to call attention to the policy of filing suits in the home town of the Attorney General, or that of his assistants.

Prior to 1909, the law required anti-trust suits to be filed in the county or residence of defendants, or in the seat of government at Austin, but in order to overcome possible local sentiment and in order to avoid building up a monopoly for lawyers, and looking to the preservation of justice, an act was passed permitting these suits to be filed in any of the various counties. One of the abuses of the law is the Attorney General's custom of filing suits in his home county, and the home of his assistants, taking advantage of local sentiment, and encouraging the building up of monopolies for lawyers in certain localities, the very things the law contemplates should not be done. For instance, the Crane Company suit.

The Attorney General filed suit in Travis County against the Ahrens & Ott Company and the Crane Company, the two principal plumbing supply concerns in Texas, alleging violation of anti-trust laws by way of conspiring with each other to fix the price of plumbing supplies. The Attorney General demanded the forfeiture of their permits to do business in Texas and heavy penalties. The Ahrens & Ott Company compromised for \$25,000. The Crane Company refused to compromise, preferring to go to trial, whereupon the Attorney General dismissed the case in Travis County and re-filed it in Limestone County, and taking advantage of local sentiment by filing this case in Limestone—the home of one of his assistants—was not enough; at the State's expense he employed four local attorneys in Limestone County, and succeeded in bringing the Crane Company across by the coveted compromise, charging them \$50,000 for not compromising them in Travis County. No permits were forfeited in either case. Anti-trust laws are intended to preserve competition, and whether it was the law or abuse of the law, competition was destroyed, for the Crane Company withdrew from the State, leaving the Ahrens & Ott Company to monopolize the plumbing supply business, and today they are occupying and doing business in the Crane building, and the object of the law was defeated.

Looney Loses Libel Suit.

When one of our Texas daily papers took issue with and criticized the Attorney General regarding this and a number of other suits, he rushed back to Greenville, his home town, and filed suit against it. While this suit was filed against one paper, the entire press of the State was on trial, and the freedom of speech jeopardized. This was one instance in which the defendant did not compromise, and the case was recently reversed and remanded and the verdict set aside by the higher court, thus adding another legal farce that has characterized Mr. Looney's administration, and brought the high office of Attorney General into serious criticism.

Another great factor which Mr. Looney has abused in his compromise settlements is the disfigurement, embarrassment and expense he visits upon the accused parties by filing suits for a tremendous sum, which he makes no effort to collect, delaying trial and filing the case in the home town of himself or assistants. If I am elected I intend to see to it that the laws of this State are enforced. The office of Attorney General should be conducted free from partisan politics and policies as much so as the judiciary. Where parties deliberately and designedly violate the laws of this State I shall proceed against them with the object of having proper punishment inflicted. The Attorney General's office should not be a mere collecting agency for the State, but should so enforce the laws as will put an end to their violation. Suits shall not be filed for spectacular purposes and I am not going to my home county, nor the county of my assistants and take advantage of local influence for the purpose of gaining an undue advantage. This policy shall end with my election.

I shall not sue for millions and settle for thousands.

J. W. WOODS.

RANCHER ARRESTED IN MEXICO REACHES DEL RIO

George Miers, American cattleman arrested by the Mexican authorities in September and jailed at Sahonias, Mexico, on a charge of violation of the Mexican customs laws, arrived in Del Rio last Wednesday, having been released under bond of \$600 Mexican silver. Mexican military authorities originally demanded a bond of \$10,000, gold, but through the efforts of the state department at Washington the case was transferred to the civil courts where the bail was reduced.

WHEN YOU HAVE A COLD

Give it attention, avoid exposure, be regular and careful of your diet, also commence taking Dr. King's New Discovery. It contains Pine-Tar, antiseptic oils and balsams. Is slightly laxative. Dr. King's New Discovery eases your cough, soothes your throat and bronchial tubes, checks your cold, starts to clear your head. In a short time you know your cold is better. Its use over 40 years. Get a bottle at once—over 40 years—et a bottle at once. Keep it in the house as a cold insurance. Sold at your druggist. adv No. 3.

KILLS HER BECAUSE SHE REFUSED TO RIDE WITH HIM

Because she refused to accompany him on a buggy ride, Dave Myers, about 40 years old, last Wednesday in Oklahoma City, shot and seriously wounded Mrs. Julia Carrico and then committed suicide. The woman was taken to a hospital where it was said that her condition was critical. Mrs. Carrico was said to be the wife of an employe of the M. K. & T. railroad. She knew Myers before she married Carrico, she said.

NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION

The firm known as the Midland Auto Company, heretofore consisting of Will Manning, R. D. Heatly and J. A. Eichelberger has been dissolved by the sale of the interest of J. A. Eichelberger to R. L. Parks. The firm will continue business under the old name and will consist of Will Manning, R. D. Heatly and R. L. Parks. The new firm assumes all debts and takes over all assets of the old firm, releasing J. A. Eichelberger who retires.

J. A. Eichelberger, R. L. Parks, Will Manning, R. D. Heatly. adv. 51-4t

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J. S. Kendall, director in charge of the Automobile Division of the State Fair of Texas, announces that plans for the biggest automobile show the South ever saw have been completed by the Fair management, and that the active interest and cooperation of the Texas dealers has been secured.

During the past year the Auto mobile Building in Fair Park, Dallas, which houses this big show, has been extensively remodeled and redecorated, and its facilities have been brought right down to date, so that the 1916 show will be presented under the most favorable conditions possible.

There is no doubt but what this show will be intensely interesting to many prospective car owners throughout the Southwest, as it offers practically the only opportunity the people of this section will have to see all the new 1917 models side by side, and to make comparisons of the relative values of each.

John W. Atwood, of Dallas, who is president of the Automobile Dealers Association, states that the members of that body are actively interested in the coming show and are making extensive preparations for their exhibits and demonstration work.

should be "nipped in the bud", for if allowed to run unchecked, serious results may follow. Numerous cases of consumption, pneumonia, and other fatal diseases, can be traced back to a cold. At the first sign of a cold, protect yourself by thoroughly cleansing your system with a few doses of

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OUR PUBLIC FORUM



Joe Hirsch On Bankers Helping the Farmers

It is a great thing to make two bales of cotton grow where one grew before, but a much greater achievement to make a bale of cotton worth twice what it was before. It is a great thing for a banker to lend money on property he never loaned on before, but a still greater achievement to lend a dollar at one-half the rate of interest and make a greater net profit than he did before. The Texas Bankers, in co-operating with the Farmers' Union, are bringing about these happy results.

When the State of Texas established a warehouse commission it gave the marketing side of agriculture recognition and when it based success of the law upon co-operation of the legislature and the intelligence and patriotism of the farmers, bankers and business interests.

Mr. Joe Hirsch, president of the Texas Bankers' Association, when asked to define the position of the Texas Bankers on cotton warehousing and financing, said in part:

"As a result of the vigorous cotton warehouse campaign now being undertaken, the Texas Bankers' Association, backed up by the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, will endeavor to market the Texas cotton crop gradually and to obtain for the farmers of Texas a reasonable price above the cost of production.

The Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas is urging the bankers to assist in financing the Texas cotton crop and is offering to rediscount, for its members, notes secured by cotton warehouse receipts, giving preference to cotton stored in bonded warehouses. With this powerful backing for the first time in the financial history of the state, Texas bankers are prepared to finance our cotton crop, but the success or failure of this movement depends entirely upon the construction of adequate warehouse facilities, upon the willingness of farmers to store their cotton and upon the co-operation of country merchants and bankers agreeing to extend credit facilities upon cotton when warehoused.

A cotton warehouse can be constructed at a cost of not exceeding \$1.00 to \$1.25 per bale capacity. Plans for warehouses, prepared for the Texas Bankers' Association, may be obtained by writing Nathan Adams, Chairman, Texas Bankers' Warehouse Committee, Dallas. It is suggested that communities build warehouses in units of 1000 bales each, situated not less than 100 feet from each other. This takes a low fire rate. Call a meeting of your local merchants and bankers. Procure a guarantee of enough money to build your warehouse. Apply for your charter and start work immediately.

The Texas Bankers' Association is composed of seven units, or groups, comprising seven sections of the state. A group chairman is actively in charge of the work in his own district. A banker chairman has been appointed in every county who reports direct to the group chairman. The campaign has been conducted vigorously and applications for charters are pouring into the State Warehouse Department daily and it is hoped that, as a result of the campaign now being waged, the warehouse capacity of the State will be largely increased."

OUR PUBLIC FORUM



E. P. Ripley On Relation of Railroads and People.

The industrial leaders of this nation are talking to the public face to face through the columns of this paper. The time was when if a corporation had anything to say to the people they sent a hired hand, whispered it through a lawyer or employed a lobbyist to explain it to the legislature, but the men who know and the men who do are now talking over the fence to the man who plows.

When the leading business men of this nation get "back to the soil" with their problems, strife and dissension will disappear, for when men look into each other's faces and smile there is a better day coming.

Mr. E. P. Ripley, president of the Santa Fe Railroad, when asked to give his views in reference to relations existing between the railroad and the public said in part:

"Frequently we hear statements to the effect that these relations are improving, that the era of railroad baiting has passed and that public sentiment now favors treating the railroads fairly. As yet this change in public sentiment, if any such there be, is not effective in results.

It is true that in the legislatures of the southwestern states during the past winter there were few unreasonable and unreasoning laws passed than usual, but a consideration of the hostile bills introduced shows that there is still reason for much disquiet even though they were defeated by more or less of a majority.

Moreover, the idea that the railroads have been harshly treated does not seem to prevail in the offices of the State Railroad Commissions which seem to cherish a notion that their business is not to act as an arbitrator between the railroads and the people, but which proceed on the theory that the railroads are able to take care of themselves and that their duty is to act as attorney for the people even though in so doing they deny justice to the railroads. It requires no argument to demonstrate that the railroads are entitled to justice equally with other citizens and taxpayers. That they have not received it and are not receiving it is perfectly susceptible of proof. That they have practically no recourse in the courts has also been determined.

The situation therefore is that the people, through their representatives, must elect whether the services of the railroads shall be adequately compensated or not; and it requires no fortune teller or soothsayer to predict that in the long run the service will take the class that is paid for and no better.

The natural competition between the railroads and the natural desire to perform first-class service has heretofore resulted in giving the public much more than it was willing to pay for. Continuation of this will be impossible and no laws, however drastic, can long accomplish the impossible."

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PREPAREDNESS VS. PENSIONS

ECONOMIC LEAGUE FAVORS FREEDOM OF SEAS.

"Cannon is the Voice of Nations."

By J. S. Cullinan,
Chairman Texas Economic League

It is the mission of the Texas Economic League to discuss all public questions of economic interest, and there is no subject of more importance at the moment than preparedness.

The League is not concerned in the theoretical phases of the discussion, and with all due respect to those who believe that the pen is mightier than the sword, I want to suggest that our government has had some of the mightiest pens going that civilization ever produced, during this war, and while we have been writing, the swords of Europe have been running our citizens and our commerce off the seas. International law in the end is not enforced by nations which have the most facile pens, but by the country that has the biggest guns, for unfortunately the cannon is the voice of nations.

League Stands for Liberty.

Likewise, there may be interesting political and military phases of the subject, but the League is only concerned in the patriotic and business side of the discussion. The League stands for liberty and freedom of the people, and the products of their toil at home and abroad, and is opposed to tyranny on land or sea by friend or foe; favors a governmental policy, both domestic and foreign, that enlarges life, liberty and freedom of an American citizen, and opposes any conduct or concession on the part of government that denies or limits those rights. Any citizen who subscribes to these principles must, to be consistent, favor preparedness, for this war has certainly demonstrated the disadvantages of an inadequate Navy and the penalty of military weakness. The only difference of opinion that can arise among us is in the degree of preparedness, and on this subject I will express my personal views.

In my estimation preparedness is a good business investment. During the first year of the present war the Southern cotton farmer, according to the estimates of the Farmers' Union, lost nearly \$500,000,000 on cotton, and this is only one item of destruction in values that this country has suffered as a direct result of the war. This amount would build a Navy superior to our present one, and had this money been invested in battle-ships, no power would have classified cotton as contraband. It will be recalled that Russia placed cotton on the contraband list during the Russia-Japan war, just as England has done in the present war, but the British government forced her to recede from that position, so that cotton from English colonies could go to Japan. England had the guns.

A Good Business Investment.

Preparedness is good business economy. During the past forty years we have spent in pensions over \$4,500,000,000, and during the past fiscal year we paid out \$165,000,000 in pensions alone. The annual expenditure, for pensions during the past forty years is nearly equal to the total annual average appropriation for our Army, Navy, and Rivers and Harbors during this period. When we consider that one-half of the soldiers who fought in the civil war are not eligible to the pension rolls, and had we been fighting a foreign foe, our appropriations would probably have been double this amount, we get some idea of the enormous expense of war. Economists estimate the productive value, (that is, the surplus above what he consumes, again meaning the wealth he adds to the nation), of a normal male American citizen during the term of an average life at \$4,000 to \$6,000, the average being \$5,000. Assuming this figure to be correct, our pension rolls for the fiscal year 1914 absorbed the value of approximately 34,000 lives, who, in the main, are the heads of families. For the forty-year term mentioned above approximately 1,000,000 people gave their lives to bear the burdens of the Civil War since peace was established, and for almost the next half century we will be paying pensions on account of this war. The total casualties in the Civil War are reported at nearly 750,000, and the cost of the war approximately nine billion dollars, which held the world's war record on loss of men and money up to the present conflict. The war of 1812 was fought over a hundred years ago, but we are still paying out pensions on account of that war. In my estimation the most practical method of avoiding an appalling outlay for pensions in the future is to prevent war, and I know of no better way of insuring peace than an impregnable defense.

The President's policy of Preparedness will, I am sure, meet with the hearty approval of a majority of our thoughtful citizens, and in a future article I will discuss preparedness plans, and the methods of raising revenue from a business angle, as I see them.

LEGAL TRUST RULES TEXAS

HEAD OF TEXAS ECONOMIC LEAGUE CHARGES INVISIBLE POWER DOMINATES GOVERNMENT.

CORPORATIONS THE VICTIMS

By J. S. Cullinan

Many fearless and capable jurists throughout this nation are thundering their disapproval of the judiciary branch of government censoring the will of the legislative and administrative departments of government, and there is no doubt much cause for alarm and dissatisfaction when those who exercise this power rebel against it. But the people of Texas have a much more important problem before them than curbing the judiciary or reforming court procedure. It is preserving the judiciary and all other branches of government from the destructive influence of invisible government. Ellhu Root in a recent address said: "The special interests are the invisible government behind the visible government, which is the real danger to American institutions." No more truthful words ever fell from more capable lips than those of Judge R. M. Wanamaker of the Supreme Court of Ohio, recently stated that the surprising interpretations of the Supreme Court of the United States of the fourteenth amendment which was intended as a Magna Carta to the colored race had destroyed the Magna Carta of both the white and colored races, and substituted a city of refuge for the corporations.

Invisible Court Holds Sessions.

In Texas the legal trust is the invisible government. Here the invisible government has gone all other States one better by setting up a court of its own to handle important cases of the corporations. But the corporations are not the beneficiaries. They are the victims of the system which has fastened itself upon the jugular vein of industry with a death defying grip, which no influence can release except that of public condemnation. The chief justice of this invisible court is the head of the legal trust; its sessions are held in a dark room, and its verdicts are whispered across the table. It makes criminals out of its clients; laughs at the jury, makes a mockery of the courts, and discredits industry. The legal trust now gripping this State is the most insidious, most subtle and most dangerous influence that ever fought for the control of government.

The supremacy of the judiciary over other branches of government has its defenders, but invisible government has none. It is worse than anarchy; more terrible than treason, and more hideous than rebellion. It teaches investors to fear the law; incites good citizens to distrust government, and counsels honest men to flee from justice. This invisible court has recently enforced jurisdiction over what is claimed to be the largest suits of their kind in the world's history, and it was largely through the instrumentality of these anti-trust suits that the legal trust has seized power no man or combination of men should be permitted to hold in a free country. The enormous fees which the legal trust plundered from the accused corporations and the bugaboo "Beware of the people; trust us" that unscrupulous corporation lawyers always bring out to frighten their clients, and get a part of their property, has enabled the legal trust to so firmly entrench itself in government and in industry that nothing short of a complete change in policy of administering the law on the part of State government can break their hold upon the people. Whenever State government becomes a stalking horse to run the corporations into the clutches of the legal trust, it is time all good citizens were coming to the aid of government.

Investors Fear the Legal Trust.

I have spent the best part of my life inviting foreign capital to invest in Texas corporations, and have perhaps brought more outside capital into Texas than any other citizen. The investors do not fear the people, and there is no reason why they should, neither do they fear the laws honestly administered, but the legal trust stands like a bandit at the State line levying tribute upon whosoever shall enter, and frightening with ghost-like threats of bad luck all those who resist its rule. When our laws are administered and interpreted in such a manner as to execute the verdict of an invisible court organized by a legal trust to fleece capital, all investors will and should fear Texas.

No self-respecting man at the head of a business enterprise is going to kneel at the feet of a political lawyer in government or in industry and plead for the right to live. Rome was the mother of laws, and it was the pride of her people to stand before their government and claim the rights of a Roman citizen. What are the rights of a Texas citizen? Ask the legal trust.



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THE BOGANY LUNATIC BAKERS, THE FUNNIEST ACT ON EARTH, ENGAGED FOR STATE FAIR



Those cynical persons who declare that real humor is a lost art are warmly urged to pay a visit to the State Fair of Texas this year and see the antics of the Bogany Troupe of Lunatic Bakers. It's pretty sure that after seeing this act they will have reason to change their minds, for the Bogany's are just about the funniest and cleverest comedians before the public today.

This act during the past season has been the big humorous hit of the big New York Hippodrome and is described as one of the most thoroughly enjoyable collections of nonsense now being performed. The Bogany troupe is composed of eight comedians, each with a worldwide reputation. They have been engaged for the entire period of the State Fair, Oct. 14 to 23.

DIGGING TANKS OUT IN THE BLACK JACK COUNTRY

W. A. Dean informed us this week that his son, "Josh," (Dick) is out in the Black Jack, or Possum Hollow country this week digging surface tanks. Josh, is still in the matrimonial market, still waiting for some fair damsel to answer his advertisement published in The Reporter some months ago.

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No one can either feel good nor look good while suffering from constipation. Get rid of that tired, draggy, lifeless feeling by a treatment of Dr. King's New Life Pills. Buy a box today, take one or two pills tonight. In the morning that stuffed, dull feeling is gone and you feel better at once. 25c at your druggist, adv No. 2.

REV. J. M. PERRY GOES TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Rev. J. M. Perry left last Sunday night for the annual conference which convenes at Uvalde, after a three years pastorate of the Methodist church at this place. We have not heard from the conference yet, in fact the appointments will not be read out until next Monday. During Rev. Perry's pastorate here he has been a busy man, and whether he will be returned to us for another year, is not known, but wherever he is sent we trust that the appointment will be a good one and to his liking.

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ANOTHER VISITOR GIVES HIS VIEWS

Midland Fair Association Receives an Interesting Letter From Visitor to Our Fair

The following letter was received by the Midland Fair Association this week from Jno. K. Rosson, president and general manager of the Campbell & Rosson Live Stock Commission Company, of Fort Worth, which no doubt will be of great interest to our cattlemen. It reads as follows:

Fort Worth, Texas, 10-13-16. The Midland Fair Association, Midland, Texas, Gentlemen:

I have never visited a fair that I have enjoyed more than my stay with you during the last fair, and while there looked matters over carefully and it occurred to me that the producers of registered cattle, as well as those producing beef for market, have a great opportunity of developing that section of the country, and taking advantage of the opportune time of selling a very large number of calves and yearlings at home, by feeding and preparing for your next fair, a few good bunches of calves, yearlings and two and three-year-old steers, putting them in fine show condition; then send out a good line of advertising matter through the commission firms at Kansas City and other northern markets, which will reach the feeders and induce them to visit the fair. Show him your registered cattle, what they produce and what he can produce, by going out to the ranches, buying a car load or more of any class of cattle you may have for sale, and taking them home with him.

It appears to me that this method would increase the interest and make your fair very profitable, and show cattle producers that they should provide funds to build the proper buildings to take care of this arrangement in a permanent way.

I shall be glad to co-operate with you in any way I can to assist you in furthering this fair association interest, as I feel that it is only to be a very short time until there is going to be a State-wide tick eradication movement, and when the ticks are eradicated Central-eastern Texas will come to your country to buy bulls for breeding purposes, and you will have the best outlet you could imagine. Now is the time to get busy.

With kindest regards, I am, yours truly, Campbell & Rosson L. S. Com. Co. By Jno. K. Rosson, Mgr.

WATCH FOR BANDS ON WILD DUCKS

If you kill or capture a wild duck bearing an aluminum band around one leg, having a number on one side, and on the other a statement requesting that the United States Department of Agriculture, or the Biological Survey, be notified, you are requested to send this band at once to the Bureau of Biological Survey, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. This band, if accompanied by a statement as to date, place, and circumstances under which the bird was taken, will be of service to the Survey in its efforts to determine the longevity of individual ducks and the routes of migration of the species. The bands are being attached to considerable numbers of wild duck of several species which have been cured of the duck sickness prevalent around Great Salt Lake, Utah, and there released. The department is particularly anxious to secure reports from these birds to determine their complete recovery from this malady which has killed hundreds of thousands of ducks in Utah.

BRIEF ITEMS OF INTEREST PICKED UP HERE AND THERE

Prairie dogs can be destroyed by poison at a cost varying, according to prevailing conditions, from 5 to 8 cents an acre.

Under the Federal-aid road act, within the next five years \$160,000,000 will be spent by Federal and State governments in improving rural roads.

Eight million six hundred and eighty thousand dollars of Federal and State Smith-Lever funds will be spent each year after 1922 on the direct education of farmers.

Every spring the lights of the light-houses along the coast lure to destruction myriads of birds en route from their winter homes in the South to

their summer nesting places in the North.

Sixty-seven State agricultural colleges and experiment stations are devoted to the development of agriculture. Their endowment, plant, and equipment amount to \$160,000,000. They have an income of more than \$35,000,000, with 5,500 teachers and a resident student body of over 75,000.

NICE BUNCH CARS SOLD THIS MONTH

We give here a list of cars sold this month by Stokes & Wolcott: B. C. Girdley, Midland, Buick 4 Roadster. Will Martin, Odessa, Buick 6 Touring car. Henry Barrow, Odessa, Buick 6 Touring Car. Oscar McKiff, Midland, Buick 6 Touring Car. Calvin Warnock, Midland, Chevrolet, Special Equipped. J. E. Garros, Odessa, Chevrolet Touring Car. Oscar Bell, Andrews, Buick 6 Touring Car.

PREPARING FOR THE LIGHTER SIDE OF LIFE

New York, October 19—Evening gowns and wraps are once more the center of attraction for the social season is at hand and all who take part in the gaieties of dances and theater parties that brighten the autumn and winter, are starting their preparations for these social events.

The materials and trimmings for evening wear are rich this season, and the gowns are accordingly most elaborate and luxurious; seemingly, there is no limit to the extravagance of many of them. In materials, the preference seems to be given to chiffon velvet, and the soft richness of this material is especially adapted to developing the sumptuous gowns that women of fashion demand. Next in importance come the brocaded silks and satins and the gold and silver laces and nets. Quantities of these gold, silver and other metallic laces



Evening Gown of Black Velvet and Lace

are used and they are combined with tulle and net or with soft silks, and velvets. Black chiffon velvet combined with gold or silver lace is especially high in favor, but the colored velvets are also favored, some of them being very brilliant while others are in the softer shades. For young girls white satin embroidered in pink as well as the soft shades of pink and blue make very charming gowns. Tulle is another of the girlish materials for youthful dance frocks. It makes the daintiest of frocks, and the tulle used at present is not of the perishable kind that was used formerly.

In the way of trimming, everything that glitters and sparkles is in demand for decorating evening frocks. Quantities of paillettes, sequins and rhinestone trimmings are employed so that there is a great deal of glitter and glamour about the evening frocks of this season.

The use of chiffon velvet combined with lace is shown in the charming model illustrated. Fine lace flouncing forms the side sections of the skirt and this may be of white or silver lace, or black lace, which is also very effective. Bands of pearl or rhinestone trimming over the shoulders hold up the little bodice of black velvet, and at the same time they serve as a finish to the frills of lace which take the place of sleeves. Another type of sleeve which appears on ever so many evening frocks is the long trailing sleeve of tulle, known as the wing sleeve. It always gives added grace to a gown and is often outlined with iridescent beads.

Another interesting feature of even-

ing gowns is the return of the train. Many trains are in the form of separate panels, some of which are quite long while others are only long enough to merit the name of train. On one of the latest models was a train half of net and half of satin. It started from the shoulder, and the upper part to about the normal waistline was of net, the remainder being of satin.

Skirts are still short, even when they carry trains, but even the shortest skirts are longer than those of last season.

The New Wraps

Fully as elaborate and luxurious as the gown itself is the evening wrap to go with it. The wraps are very ample and are fashioned chiefly of velvet or broad-cloth, trimmed with fur. The fur is applied in bands around the edges as in the accompanying illustration, or it appears only in collars.

All sorts of rich, brilliant colors, among them ruby, rose, geranium and different shades of blues, are used for wraps and their linings. The lining is often the same color as the wrap or contrasting. Sometimes bright figured silks are used. Beautiful wraps also come in darker shades. An especially handsome one was of dark velvet trimmed with dull-gold braid and enriched with coney fur at the neck and sleeves.

In the Line of Accessories Of the necessities for evening there are countless dainty conceits in the form of bags, artificial flowers to match dresses, and fans. The bags are of gold and silver tissue or of delicate silks. The large ostrich feather fans are favored above all others, and very beautiful the more, coming in all colors to match the gowns they are to accompany.



Broadcloth Cape Trimmed with Fur

Evening slippers are of satin, brocade and silver and gold tissues, the latter being particularly favored. Many are ornamented with buckles of rhinestone and crystal, while there are those entirely devoid of ornament. Some striking fancy slippers are half of gray-colored satin. They were made with vamps of the colored satin and the heels and quarters of gold or silver. Silk hose to match are worn with the slippers, for they are to be had in all the desired colors.

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S. L. Wooten, county treasurer of Dawson County, passed through Midland this week on his way to Junction City, his old home, where he will visit for a short time. Before leaving he gave his name in for The Reporter.

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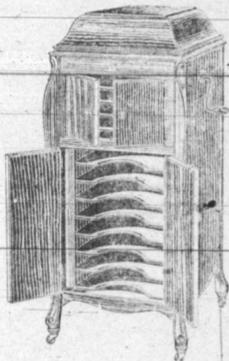


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With the exception of black ink, all raw materials used in manufacture of a newspaper have advanced in cost during the past twelve months approximately 100 per cent. This means that it will cost your publisher practically double to supply you with a newspaper the coming year.

Under stress of these unusual conditions, The Star-Telegram has been forced to increase its "Bargain Days" rate from \$3.25 to \$3.65. An increase of 40c per year (\$1.36 per month) or 12 per cent. Based on the conservative estimate increase in production cost of 100 per cent, under this price the division of added expense will be as follows:

Increased expense to The Star-Telegram 88%
Increased expense to The Reader 12%

This situation means that after "Bargain Days" the regular rate of \$6.00 per year must be strictly enforced. We have battered the price to the very bottom in order to protect our Annual Subscription Cheap Rate Period, which has been in effect since the establishment of The Star-Telegram.

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LITTLE SALE MADE IN ANDREWS THIS WEEK

Young Lee is in town this week from Andrews County. Mr. Lee reports that he has recently sold to Barber Bros., of Midland, 255 yearlings at \$37.50 and put in 8 1/2 section leased.

Good sound sawed oak wood for sale for cash. W. W. Wimberly, telephone 264.

BOUGHT RANCH OF C. C. JOHNSTON RECENTLY

J. M. Caldwell, we are informed, recently purchased of C. C. Johnston a 22-section ranch. No cattle went in this deal. Mr. Johnston purchased the Ward pasture and cattle in Ector County, a deal aggregating about \$10,000.

Are you a subscriber for the Reporter?

SOME FAMOUS CANVASSES AT STATE FAIR OF TEXAS



One of the most interesting features of the great State Fair of Texas, and from an educational viewpoint, one of the most valuable, is the Art Loan Collection—exhibited in the Fine Arts Building. Alex Sanger, director in charge of the Fair's Fine Arts and Textile Department, states that the Art Loan Collection to be shown this year, will include a great number of very famous canvasses, representing the work of a majority of the best contemporary American artists. The celebrated Texas artist, John Onderdonk, who is acting as the Special Art Representative, has just returned from the East, where he visited many of the most famous studios and completed arrangements for the various specimens to be shown in the Art Loan Collection this fall. He asserts that the collection procured this year is of the very highest class, and one that will be thoroughly appreciated by Southwestern lovers of art. Mr. Sanger makes the further announcement that entries in the Art Department, which are shown in all phases of woman's work, are coming in in unprecedented numbers, and that there is every reason to believe that the exhibits in this department this fall will be much larger than formerly. What is true of the Textiles, is equally true of all other departments and divisions of the Fair, and there seems to be no reason to doubt that the 1916 exposition will be much the largest ever held in Texas.

MANY EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS AT TEXAS STATE FAIR



A feature of the State Fair of Texas, as which possess great educational value, and one which has year, was of intense interest to thousands of Fair visitors, is the Better Babies Contest. Designed for the purpose of creating a higher standard of health for Texas babies, W. I. Yopp, director in charge of the State Fair Department of Colleges and Schools, in which the management of the Better Babies Contest is vested, states that complete arrangements have been concluded during the past year to conduct this contest with better facilities than prevailed last year. A handsome and convenient auditorium has been constructed for the purpose in the State Fair's beautiful Hospital building, and this Auditorium will be provided with the best of modern equipment. Mr. Yopp states that a great deal of interest has been aroused throughout the State by the preliminary announcements of this contest, and that present indications point to a very large number of entries. It is also announced that a majority of the State's largest educational institutions are preparing large exhibits. The University of Texas, State Agricultural and Mechanical College, Prairie View Normal, College of Industrial Arts, Southwestern University and others have already made application for space, and it is expected that several others will be in line by September 1. Mr. Yopp predicts an unusual big year in the educational division.

COMMERCIAL EXHIBITS AT STATE FAIR OF INTEREST



Louis Lipsitz, director in charge of the State Fair Department of Commercial Exhibits, states that the space allotted to his division is being rapidly taken up, and that all indications point to the largest most interesting and most valuable displays in this section that have ever been shown at the State Fair. The commercial interests of the State, awake to the tremendous advantage of exhibiting before the hundreds of thousands of Fair visitors, are sending in their requests for space this year unusually early, and Mr. Lipsitz states that the displays made this year will be of the most ambitious nature. Many of the large retail stores of Texas will conduct individual fashion displays at the Fair, and some of the most artistic creations of the year are expected to be shown. In the commercial exhibits division there will likewise be shown big and interesting displays of modern furniture, stoves, pianos, and all the other conveniences, comforts and luxuries of our present day civilization. Those desiring to exhibit in this division are requested to announce their entries at an early date, as the available space is limited, and the Fair management desires to know, in advance, just what arrangements will be necessary to provide suitably for all exhibitors. Inquiries should be addressed to Mr. W. H. Stratton, Secretary, State Fair of Texas, Dallas, Texas.

BUSINESS MEN NEED SPIRIT OF '76

SHOULD LEAVE LESS MONEY AND MORE LIBERTY TO POSTERITY.

Good Citizenship Can Build an Empire Upon a Rock.

By J. S. Collins, Chairman Texas Economic League.

The business men of this country have been accused of being cowardly, indifferent and selfish in their relations to government, but the average business man has perhaps had less to do with shaping the political policies of the country than any other class of citizens, and therefore very little responsibility for the present state of affairs can be laid at his door. The most serious charge that can be successfully lodged against him is that he accepts slavery in preference to sovereignty in his citizenship, and there is nothing so dreadful or so difficult to overcome as voluntary servitude. But as a whole he is to be pitied rather than condemned. He cannot tell whether he is honest by consulting his conscience. He must ask his lawyer. The right to think has been legislated out of him. Individuality has been torn from him by law. He is but a ghost of the citizen created by the Constitution of the United States. Not only have liberty and freedom become vague and uncertain terms subject to contradictory interpretations of those who hold office, but so complicated has the citizen's relation to government become that human rights is a floating substance moved by the caprice of legal opinion, and the remedy lies in a more active, patriotic and responsible citizenship.

The business men of this nation need the spirit shown by the business men of '76, when Robert Morris, the nation's wealthiest citizen opened his purse strings and said, "I will give all I have to my country except my integrity," when John Dickinson the wealthy farmer stepped forward and said, "It's my duty to leave liberty to my children, but not my duty to leave wealth to them," and Benjamin Franklin over 70 years of age when called by the Continental Congress said, "I am old and good for nothing, I am but the rag end, take me for what you please."

Men and Money Needed

I want men to join me in the work of the Texas Economic League in giving the friends of their lives and a part of their money to setting this country back to the Americanism of Washington and the liberty of Jefferson. There are many of us in Texas who need to leave less money and more liberty to our children. I believe I make no mistake in saying that the general trend of business men of wealth in this country today is to reverse the statement of Morris, Dickinson and Franklin. The readiness with which some of our citizens plead guilty to business crimes, suggest the conclusion that they are willing to give their country their integrity if they can keep their money, and it seems to be universally conceded by most business men that it is their duty to leave wealth to their children, but not their duty to leave liberty to them.

I am not one of those who believe that the solution of this problem lies in business men making laws, holding offices and sitting upon juries, although it is a laudable thing to do, and a duty that no good citizen should shrink. This country could survive the ordeal if we did not pass another law for ten years, and it was never contemplated that the people should depend upon office holders to preserve their rights. The contest for liberty has always been between government and the citizens, and bad government is always the result of bad citizenship. Neither do I believe that the liberty and freedom of this country can be preserved by endowing foundations, universities, churches and libraries. Greece gave us the most polished and powerful products of the human race, and while the genius of her day was swaying the world, ignorant savages destroyed her government, and led her master minds captive to foreign countries—the result of bad citizenship. Palestine gave us the mightiest religious teachers in all civilization, and while the world was marveling over her faith and her miracles, infidels and heathens destroyed her Temple and threw her prophets in prison—the result of bad citizenship.

The pages of history abundantly prove that neither the fertility of the soil nor the business sagacity of the people are sufficient safeguards for the preservation of government. The Pharaohs of Ancient Egypt established a powerful dynasty in the most fertile valley on the globe, but it withered and died as a result of bad citizenship. The mighty Caesar established in the Roman Empire the world's greatest financial center and all nations and all men paid tribute to the money powers of Rome, but the nation crumbled and fell as a result of bad citizenship. Good citizenship can build an empire upon a rock and bad citizenship will make a desert of the most fertile country on the globe.

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UNIQUE THEATRE

Advance program for week ending

Monday—A Red Feather Feature in 5 reels, "The Beckoning Trail," with J. Warren Kerrigan.

Tuesday—Paramount Feature of Jon Barrymore in "Nearly a King" and the episode of the Timothy Dobb series with Carter DeHaven. Subject of this episode, "A Thousand a Week."

Wednesday—A Gold Seal production in three reels "The Castle of Despair." A one reeler, title not announced.

Thursday—The first episode of the famous serial, "Liberty," in three

reels, "The Façade of the Wolf." An LKO Comedy, "A Double Double-Cross."

Friday—Paramount feature "Trail of the Lonesome Pine," with the beautiful Charlotte Walker.

Saturday—Mary Fuller in "The of Chance." A Bison two reel drama. An LKO Comedy, "Snowing in High C." A one reeler, title not announced.

C. I. Kaykendall arrived this week from Stanton, and has accepted a position in the Stokes & Wolcott garage. We welcome him to our city.

Frank House was a prospect from Sterling City this week.

HONESTY FIRST-- PARTY POLITICS AFTERWARDS

Hon. R. B. Creager, of Brownsville, Texas, Republican Candidate for Governor

IN FAVOR OF--

- Retention of Robertson Insurance Law.
- Submission where demanded by a majority.
- Amendment of Warehouse Law.
- Abolition of many useless State Offices.
- Abolition of the useless Office of County Treasurer.
- Woman's Suffrage--As a matter of Justice.
- Lower Taxes, and lower governmental expenses.
- Amendment of delinquent tax law.
- Governor obeying constitution as to salary limitation.
- Placing all public officers on strict salary basis.

AGAINST--

- Dishonesty in and out of office.
- The appointment of incompetents for political reasons.
- Paying out public funds for private expenses.
- The collection of excessive back tax penalties.
- A candidate accepting campaign funds from corporations.
- "Personal representatives," "social secretaries" and other illegal appointments at public expense.
- The Terrell Election Law.
- The fee system.

Do You Agree With Mr. Creager?

For every dollar property tax-payers paid the state in 1908 they paid \$7.10 in 1915. For every dollar the CORPORATIONS paid the state in 1914 they paid only 52 cents in 1915.

WHY?

Unnecessary political offices. "Junketing" trips, Panama Exposition trips, "Social Secretary," "Personal Representative," chauffeur, gasoline, feed, groceries, etc., etc.

Huge Expense Accounts If you vote for R. B. Creager for Governor of Texas, you will call a "halt" on such bills being paid out of the tax money.

The constitution of this state provides that, "the salary of the Governor shall be \$4,000.00 and no more."

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VOTE FOR R. B. CREAGER FOR GOVERNOR

and for the balance of the Republican Ticket--State and National. Let us have the "House-Cleaning" Texas so badly needs. IF YOU VOTE FOR GOVERNOR FERGUSON YOU APPROVE HIS ACTS (Political Advertisement.)

In Society



And Events Most Talked About (By M. T.)

Priscilla Club

Mrs. Brooks Pemberton entertained the Priscilla Club Wednesday afternoon. After two hours spent very pleasantly with embroidery and crochet, Misses Aleen Pemberton and Mittie Ingham delighted all with several musical selections, both vocal and instrumental. Then the guests were ushered into the dining room where places were arranged around a table laden with all kinds of choice viands, all excellently prepared. Places were marked for Mesdames E. R. Bryan, Marie Riggs, Lee Bell, E. N. Snodgrass, J. M. Flanagan, Mitchell, H. Klapproth, Walter Rohlfing, M. C. Ulmer and Miss Tanner, besides the hostess.

Wednesday Club

The Wednesday Club held its regular meeting for the week with Mrs. Margaret Watts. The current events given in response to roll call were unusually interesting. The Club is making a journey through America. The first place visited was Plymouth. Mrs. Watts read a splendid paper on "Puritans and Pilgrims" which showed careful research and earnest study. Mrs. O. B. Holt had prepared a

discussion on "Colonial Homes," which proved not only instructive but highly entertaining.

A Prize Winner

A letter has been received from Mrs. John Edwards containing the news that her little daughter, Janelle, was graded second in her class and third in the entire number entered in the recent better babies contest in Hereford. Mrs. Edwards was one of the members of the Mothers' Club who helped to make the contest here a success.

Lovely Dance at the Llano

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Half entertained about twenty couples Wednesday evening with a dance, honoring their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wechsler, of New York. The arrangements made for the pleasure of the guests were ideal, the program of dances a lengthy one, so that the devotees of the Ternechoorean art were loathe to depart before the wee sma' hours. Dainty refreshments were served at the Elite.

Mesdames Girdley and Bludworth Entertain

The beautiful bungalow home of Mr and Mrs. Jno. Bludworth was the scene of one of the merriest, and most complete afternoon parties given in Midland in a long time, when Mrs. Bludworth and Mrs. B. C. Girdley entertained more than sixty guests with "500" and "42" yesterday from 3 to 5. The Bludworth home is specially adapted to entertaining large crowds and was unusually attractive on this occasion, the color scheme in the decorations being yellow and green. In the large living room and dining room sunflowers were arranged in vases or banked on the mantels and buffet. In the music room were several tall vases containing large clusters of gorgeous Bonaffon chrysanthemums in full bloom.

Mesdames J. E. Shumate and Ray Hyatt made high score in "500"; Mrs. Bell in "42." To each of them, the hostesses presented prizes, pretty cut glass rose vases.

A delicious two-course luncheon of chicken salad, tomatoes with mayonnaise, sandwiches olives, cheese straws and coffee followed by white and gold brick cream and tangel food was served. Miss Essie Cowden scored the winners at the conclusion of the games. The guests were Mesdames W. L. Holmesly, T. S. Patterson, Lee Tull, J. B. Rhea, N. W. Ellis, Lee Battle, Jno. Haley, R. E. H. Morgan, Jax M. Cowden, Ella Youngblood, N. A. Hammack, W. A. Dawson, W. K. Curtis, Joe Youngblood, M. C. Ulmer, O. B. Holt, J. M. DeArmond, Chas. B. Gibbs, J. E. Shumate, J. M. Caldwell, Chas. K. Bell, W. D. Ellis, Elliott Cowden, Hay Hyatt, Margaret Watts, Crutcher Woodbridge, Robt. Taft, Fred Cowden, W. N. Wallace, J. B. Thomas, C. A. Goldsmith, T. A. Sacra, R. W. Cowden, Marie J. Riggs, Ralph Barron, W. R. Chancellor, Robt. Estes, Heard, Misses Lydia G. Watson, Ola Epley, Juliette Wolcott, Cordelia Taylor, Ruth Epley, Fannie Bess Taylor, Alma Epley, Eddie Taylor, Lucille Horton, Fay Cowden, Mamie Moran, Mozelle Cowden, Lois Patterson, Bes-

sie Cowden, Myrtle Tanner and Essie Cowden.

Ladies Aid Meeting and Shower

The home of Mrs. J. B. Rhea was thrown open on Wednesday afternoon to the entire membership of the ladies aid of the Baptist church for a social meeting. Papers on the year's work and plans for the coming year were read after which a pleasant hour was spent in music and conversation. As a very happy culmination to the afternoon's pleasure, a shower of very useful household articles was given Mrs. N. W. Ellis, who will soon move into her new home on Main street. This came as a genuine surprise to the recipient, who very feelingly and gratefully thanked her friends for their thoughtfulness. Ice cream and cake were served and concluded a delightful afternoon.

WITH THE CHURCHES

The Ministers of the City are Cordially Invited to Use this Column as They Care

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Services at the usual hours Sunday, both morning and evening. F. G. Jones.

BAPTIST CHURCH

9:45 a. m., Bible school. 11 a. m., preaching. Subject, "The Last Great Test." 7 p. m., B. Y. P. U. 7:30 p. m., preaching. Subject of sermon, "Come and See." Saturday, 7:30 p. m., choir practice. Strangers and visitors will receive a cordial welcome. Everybody invited. Ernest Quick, Pastor.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

The services next Sunday in this church are as follows: Sunday School at 10 a. m. Morning service at 11 o'clock, will be conducted by Mr. F. M. Boyd and Mr. E. D. Johnson. There will be special music. Senior Christian Endeavor at 6:30, p. m. No evening service. The Junior Christian Endeavor will meet at the home of the superintendent, Mrs. J. F. Clark, at 4 p. m. "You will feel at home in this church." The Session.

JUNIOR ENDEAVOR

Subject, "Esther, The Faithful Queen." Leader--Geneva Shaw. Song. Bible lesson--Esther 4: 10-14--by the leader. Lord's prayer in concert. Story told by Wade Heath, Paul Heard, Inabeth Whitefield, Eual Holman, Elsie Wolcott, Tommie Preston. Recitation--Homer Ingham. Mission study, "The Mountain Trail"--Miss Nellie Elkin. Sentence prayers. Song and Mizpah.

MEN'S UNION MEETING

The Men's Union Meeting will have

REDUCTION OF FIRE INSURANCE ON COTTON AT INTERIOR POINTS.

At a meeting of the General Fire Insurance Agents in Houston, on Feb. 24th, Messrs. Wolpert and Radford, Managers of the Warehouse and Marketing Department, presented arguments and figures to the meeting in support of a reduction in fire insurance rates on small lots of cotton, which was readily accepted as a better risk than that on cotton in congested ports or assembling points. As a result, the Warehouse Managers received the promise of a reduction of 50 per cent on lots of cotton not to exceed 600 bales, located at interior points, including farms, compared to the amount heretofore charged. In addition to this reduction the fire insurance agents agree to give a further reduction of 15 per cent on all cotton stored in warehouses operating under the Warehouse and Marketing Law. This concession is in line with good, sound business principles, for the merchant who insures his stock of goods against loss by fire, is required under the law to keep books, including an invoice of his stock and produce same in case of fire to base his claim on. Under the Warehouse and Marketing Law, the manager of a warehouse is required, under his bond, to protect the produce against exposure, and the receipt must give the weight and grade of each bale of cotton stored, basing the same on the samples taken by bonded and disinterested ginners.

Books must be kept in a safe place, showing the full transactions of the association. The cotton under the same law is required to be carefully ginned and wrapped and the moral risk is materially lessened, especially as it is made the duty of the Warehouse and Marketing Department to see that all the requirements fixed by law are complied with by the Warehouse Association. The insurance companies appreciate these facts and, hence, have made the reduction to 50 per cent of its original amount on all warehouses of a maximum capacity of 600 bales, with the additional reduction of 15 per cent on all warehouses under the supervision of the State Warehouse Department.

To give an example of what the efforts of the Warehouse and Marketing Department will save for the interior warehouses, which ultimately comes out of the producers' pockets, suppose there are a million bales of cotton--one-fourth of the Texas crop in warehouses--the saving in insurance alone will be \$1,006,250.00, for 12 months. If cotton is held for only six months, of course, one-half of the above amount would be the amount saved. Can any unbiased mind say there is no virtue in co-operation? The above uncontrovertible figures should be an object lesson and an argument that there is power in co-operation, and success to those who adopt the cooperative method of housing and marketing their farm products.

Co-operative Warehousing and Marketing Associations conducted under the laws of Texas will eliminate the following:

- Loss in weight.
- Loss in grade or classification.
- Loss in measures.
- Loss in weather damage.
- Loss in fire.
- Loss in sampling.
- Loss in insurance premiums.
- Loss in time.
- Loss in loans.
- Loss of middleman.

An unusually interesting program on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the Baptist church. The principal address will be given by Principal E. P. Hornady, of the public schools, his subject being as follows: "The Appeal to Coesar." 1. Principal men; 2. Hatred; 3. Festus, his type; 4. Paul, his type. There will be a declamation, instrumental music, and a male chorus. All men are cordially invited to attend and take part in the discussion of the subject.

C. E. PROGRAM

(Christian Church) Subject, "Manliness and Womanliness." Leader--Miss Orene Lane.

Song. Scripture reading, 1, Manliness and Temptation, Acts 8: 14-25--Chas. Perry; 2, Woman's Tenderness, Acts. 9: 36-43--Miss Emma Leo Graves. Prayer by Miss Golda Wilhite. Song.

Womanliness:

1. Womanly Traits--Miss Francis Elkin.
 2. Women of the Bible--Miss Glynadin Crawford.
 3. Women of Heathen Lands--Miss Heavenshill.
 4. Christianity and Woman--Miss Bessie Reynolds.
- Special music--Miss Mary Wilhite. Manliness:
1. In Politics--Foster Averitt.
 2. In Business--Van Camp.
 3. In Social Life--Henry Fleenor.
 4. In Religion--Thurnion Morgan.
 5. Bible types of Manliness--Tom Osborn.

Special music--Mr. Hornady. Jesus Christ the Supreme Example for both Man and Woman--F. G. Jones. Business and Benediction.

We keep absolutely up with the market in furnishing things to eat. Nothing that's good escapes us. Call and see. Warnock Cafe. adv 21-ff

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Peter Radford

On Co-Operative Marketing Plan



Peter Radford

The Farmers' Union is the pioneer force in the campaign for cheap money, warehouse facilities and a financial system adapted to the business of farming. The Union has always stood for the best interests of the farmer and realizing that the task was so monumental, as to require the combined effort of all forces, the Farmers' Union, some four years ago, blew the horn and called all hands together to build more warehouses and supply cheap money, and as a result the farmers, the business men and the statesmen, are now shaking hands over a bale of cotton. While the work has only begun, sufficient progress has been made to fully justify the policy of co-operation adopted by the Union and on behalf of the Texas plowmen I want to thank all agencies now engaged in assisting the farmers in solving the cotton marketing problem.

We have made reasonable progress in the plan now under way, which contemplates that the business men and farmers build the warehouses; the State supervises the storage and validates the receipt and the banker provides the money at a low rate of interest. The State announces ready and the warehouse commission, with an able corps of assistants, has its problems well under way, and the bankers have declared a willingness to advance money at a rate not to exceed six per cent.

Many warehouses now existing have gone under State supervision, and others are being constructed, but no warehouse system can be made a complete success without sufficient storage capacity to handle the crop. The present warehouse system is swung around co-operation and it is up to the Texas farmer to assist in constructing warehouses and to patronize them after they are built. No warehouse can succeed unless the farmers organize around it, for no business can prosper without patronage. The farmers and business men must come to the aid of the system and I make a special plea to the farmer, for he is the beneficiary of the movement.

We have just passed through the greatest slaughter in crop prices ever known in the history of the cotton industry. The loss to the Southern planter last year was greater than that of the freeing of the slaves during the Civil war, and the European conflict is by no means over. The phantom of low prices that hover around every cotton field in Texas ought to encourage the farmers to deeds of commercial valor. Look upon the face of your babe in the cradle; look upon the woman who stands by your side, then look your own destiny squarely in the face. Lay aside the petty differences that so easily beset you, awakened from the lethargy of indifference that steepers senses in poverty and arouse thoughts from their dumb cradles and be up and doing with a determination that wins, and rally around the Union, for there is no other road to success except through organization.

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

Ben B. Cain

On Good Work of the Farmers' Union



Ben B. Cain

For years the Farmers' Union has endeavored to bring about a cotton warehouse and marketing system. Their slogan has been co-operation and education. Those familiar with the work of that organization know that its members are in hearty accord with the movement to build warehouses. They have been building warehouses for years past. But they also know that it is going to take organization and persistent energetic effort to induce the people to hold cotton in the warehouses. It can only become a reality by showing the benefits to be derived. The farmer must be convinced that the expense of housing and holding his cotton plus the interest he is compelled to pay for money borrowed to tide him over, is not in excess of the probable increase in the price of cotton during the same period. The farmer cannot afford to speculate. He must play the safe game. His big brother in business must manifest a true spirit of co-operation; that is, he must do as he expects of the farmer. He must make some sacrifice when it comes to cotton. He must assist in building warehouses without expecting to make money from their operation. Then, too, he must assist in getting the lowest possible interest rate on cotton as collateral, if stored in these warehouses.

It would seem that a receipt issued under this law furnishes all the safeguards necessary. The banks have approved it, hence there are no objections except such as may be raised by the grower, the ginner and the warehouseman. I shall not attempt in this article to answer the objections which have been raised. I do not believe the three samples which must not exceed 5-1-3 ounces each, or a total of one pound, would exceed the amount taken out of the bale under the present sampling method, without taking into consideration the benefit which comes to the grower and buyer from being able to get a fair correct sample and having the cotton completely covered. Indeed, the three samples taken are not lost to the buyer. One of them must be preserved by the ginner and eventually sold for the credit of the owner and the other two samples are given to the owner, one of which he must deposit with the cotton if stored and the other to be used by him as he sees fit.

It may be admitted that some extra expense over present methods is occasioned by the better wrapping and the sampling but this should not exceed fifty cents per bale. It is worth fifty cents per bale for the grower to have a bonded sample if he never uses it except for street sales; because under present methods his cotton is not only cut and disfigured, causing some loss from bad order, but he is at the mercy of the man who takes the sample and declares the grade.

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

W. D. Lewis

On Mission of the Farmers' Union



W. D. Lewis

W. D. Lewis, president of the Texas Farmers' Union, whose tenure of office expires by limitation in August, has issued the following farewell statement to the Texas farmers:

"The Farmers' Union stands before the public of Texas today proud as a King; glorying in its achievements and boasting of its possibilities of rendering a service to the men who follow the plow. The Union sounds the bugle call of organization, summoning every yeoman to rally around its colors. In business it stands for education and co-operation; in the home it stands for Sally and the babies; in government it stands for constructive statesmanship. At the moment it directs the attention of the farmers to warehousing and financing the present cotton crop. Fellow farmers arise and salute King Cotton, a sovereign in whose reign the prosperity of this State is involved and a ruler whose scepter turns the fleecy fibre into gold. A King at whose loom nature weaves, and an imperial potentate at whose shrine millions kneel and sing his praise. Strike for your home, your family and your country by joining the Union and becoming a part of the great economic force that is uplifting this state and nation. The Farmers' Union is the plowmen's hope. Without organization he can neither help himself nor be helped by others, and through organization he is all powerful.

When the Texas Farmers' Union holds its annual convention in Houston, August 3rd, every farmer in Texas should pause and bow his head in honor of the men gathered there to render a patriotic and unselfish service to agriculture. This organization, born in the cotton fields of Texas, has grown until, geographically, it covers almost the whole of the United States, and economically, it deals with every question in which the welfare of the men who bare their backs to the summer sun are involved. It has battled for a better marketing system, rural credits, cheap money, diversification, scientific production, agricultural legislation and has carried on its work of education and co-operation in season and out.

The Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union of Texas brings the question of organization squarely before every farmer in this state. The farmers of the nation contribute more and get less from government than any other class of business. They have better securities and pay a higher rate of interest than any other line of industry. They market more products and have less to say in fixing the price than any other business, and they have had more political buncombe, and less constructive legislation, than any other class of people. The farmers can only acquire such influence in business, in government and economics as will enable them to share equitably the fruits of their labor through organization, and every farmer on Texas soil who desires to help himself and his fellow plowmen, should rally around the Union."

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STATE ORGANIZERS
IN MIDLAND

Here to Organize State Farmers Institute—Meeting Yesterday at Chamber of Commerce

The State Department of Agriculture was represented in Midland today by two of its lecturers and assistant organizers of the Farmers Institute, namely, H. L. Bentley, of Abilene, and T. Gillarks, of Pride, Texas, who met in the Chamber of Commerce and conferred with the officers of the Midland Farmers Institute, looking to the organization in the not distant future, of a Farmers Institute, to be of the men and women of the farms. Also of a junior institute of their boys and girls in every school district of Midland County.

The general purpose of such an organization being to assist them in the efforts of the members of such organization to make home life on the farms not only more profitable, but in every way more attractive and satisfactory.

The officers of the local institute are, namely: Harry Ramsay, president; C. C. Ralley, vice president; W. B. Starr, secretary, all of whom

with several of the members of said organization, very cordially endorsed the purposes and plans of said Department of Agriculture, and pledged their hearty co-operation on the lines suggested. During the next few months representatives of said department will visit every school district in this country and it is quite safe to predict that the proposed organization of junior institutes, and not only the teachers but also the pupils were very pronounced in their expression of approval of such organization work which will include the local schools.

Later The Reporter will publish the list of appointments and dates for the proposed meetings, for the organization work, to cover every school district in the county.

Frank B. Hineman, of Kaufman, is a guest of his sister, Mrs. J. M. Flanagan, this week.

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To those who have longed for the 5-passenger 3400 r. p. m. Chalmers—and have not yet possessed one, just a word of warning: the price remains unchanged just now—\$1090 Detroit; we do not know how long this low price will continue. We reserve the right to increase the price without notice.

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Or, if it's a 5-passenger 3400 r. p. m. Chalmers you want, our advice is to get one now.

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