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TENNESSEE HOUSE VOTES TO REVERSE SUFFRAGE DECISION

Antis Control--Seek to Upset Ratification--Journal Expunged of Ballot Showing Final Results

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 31.—The Tennessee house of representatives, with quorum present for the first time since August 20, expunged from its journal today all record of ratification of the suffrage amendment and voted 47 to 24, with 20 not voting, to non-concur in the action of the senate in ratifying.

Shortly after the house convened it became evident that the anti-ratificationists, a majority of whom have been in Alabama on a filibuster for more than a week, were in the majority, through failure of several of the suffrage members to arrive in time. With clock-like program, the anti proceeded to put through their plan of attempting to undo what was done on August 21, when ratification was accomplished.

The first step was a motion to expunge from the journal of that day all reference to the proceedings upon the suffrage ratification resolutions. After this was carried 47 to 37, with six not voting, motion was made and carried that a certified copy of the resolution, the original of which is in the hands of the senate, be spread upon the journal.

Representative Riddick, floor leader of the ratificationists, made this point of order that the resolution was out of the hands of the house and now a part of the federal constitution through proclamation of Secretary of State Colby. He was overruled by Speaker Walker.

The house by a viva voce vote then adopted a motion to reconsider its previous action upon the resolution. Motion was then made and carried to non-concur in the action of the senate in ratifying the ratification resolution.

In the course of the discussion on the legality of the action of the house in reconsidering, Representative Riddick read a letter from State's Attorney General Thompson in which the latter expressed the opinion that reconsideration of the resolution was impossible, since the house had already ratified it and Governor Roberts had certified to Secretary Colby this action by both house and senate.

Governor Roberts declined to give any statement tonight as to the effect of the house's action, saying that the matter was a purely legal one and in the hands of Attorney General Thompson.

Action of the house is not taken seriously here, as the general opinion prevails that legality or illegality of ratification will be decided upon the record certified to Washington by Governor Roberts.

Following the action of the house today Miss Josephine A. Person, president of the Tennessee division of the Southern Woman's league for the rejection of the Susan B. Anthony amendment, sent the following telegram to President Wilson:

"Your sponsorship not sufficient to carry suffrage in Tennessee."

The suffrage majority on August 21, although there was not a quorum present, took from the journal a motion placed there August 18 by Speaker Seth Walker that the house reconsider ratification and defeated it. Thirty or more anti-suffragists had gone to Alabama to break the quorum, but the suffragists declared the state laws governing legislative action did not apply in the case of consideration of a federal matter.

Following adoption today of a motion to expunge from the journal all proceedings of August 21 except the roll call and the point of order of Speaker Walker that there was no quorum present, a motion that the joint resolution be copied on the journal was carried. Then the house proceeded to vote that it not concur in the senate ratification of the measure.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 31.—Whether the action of the Tennessee legislature in setting aside the previous ratification of the suffrage amendment would nullify Secretary

Colby's proclamation certifying that the amendment was a part of the constitution was discussed here tonight by prominent suffrage leaders.

In the opinion of members of the National Woman's party the vote taken today by the lower house of the legislature can have not effect. They believe that the time for reconsidering the ratification vote expired long ago, and that action taken at this time, after both the governor of Tennessee and Secretary Colby have certified to the passage of the resolution, will be ineffective.

STOCKMEN TO OWN YARDS IS PROPOSED

Packers Offer Plan for Boston Bankers' Holding Company.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 31.—Livestock growers and dealers will control practically all the stockyard interests of the country under a plan submitted to the district supreme court by the "big five" packers, today. The submission of the plan resulted from the decree recently entered into by agreement between the packers and the department of justice. The decree prohibited the packers from owning stock in stockyard marketing companies, stockyard railroad terminals and stockyard newspapers and market journals.

Under the plan submitted today, F. H. Prince & Co. of Boston will form a holding company for the purpose of taking over all stock now held by the packers in these three branches of the meat industry. However, the holding company is instructed in organizing to give preference to investments by livestock men, and to give them representation on the board of directors. If the plan is approved by the court, the stock will be taken over at book value as of the day of sale. This is now estimated at between \$30,000,000 and \$40,000,000.

The court gave the packers until September 21 to file any amendments to the plan and the department of justice until September 28 to submit objections. A hearing on adoption will be held by the court on October 7.

The plan affects only the larger yards, which are located in St. Paul, Sioux City, Fort Worth, Kansas City, East St. Louis, Omaha, Louisville, Chicago, Pittsburg, New Orleans, Oklahoma City, El Paso and Wichita. The smaller yards will be disposed of to local interests.

The stock held by the various companies in these yards, in round figures is: Swift & Co., \$70,000; Armour & Co., \$40,000; Morris & Co., \$15,000, and Cudahy & Co., \$6,000.

The holdings of Wilson & Co. were not revealed, but are understood to be small. Stockholders in the yards not named in the government's suit are given the right to sell out to the holding company. Securities of the holding company given in part payment for the stock cannot represent as much as half of the capitalization of the company.

Frederick H. Prince, head of the Boston company, in an affidavit filed with the court, declared that because of the present financial situation it would be impossible to dispose of the companies separately. The holding company plan, therefore, was the only feasible one, he said.

Only one return outside of Marfa from Saturday's run-off primary has been received by the chairman of the Democratic executive committee, that of Brite. At that box Neff received 10 votes and Bailey 3. It may have snowed last Saturday, so that it has been too cold to bring in the returns. Often the remark has been made "It is a cold day in August." And last Saturday there was indeed a nipping frost for one great man's ambition.

NEFF'S MAJORITY 75,000

And May Reach 80,000--Bailey Admits Defeat--Crowds Jeer at Him--Neff Explains the Age Question

Dallas, Texas, Aug. 31.—Complete returns received from 229 counties compiled by the Texas election bureau Monday give the following figures: For governor, Neff, 241,968; Bailey, 163,365; for lieutenant governor, Davidson, 179,229; Johnson, 155,330; for supreme court, Hawkins 137,685; Pierson, 187,050.

Comparatively few votes are yet to be heard from and only 15 small counties have not yet reported.

DALLAS, Texas, Aug. 29.—With 401,673 votes accounted for by the Texas election bureau, Neff has a lead of 72,657 votes over Bailey in Saturday's primary. Returns have been received from 220 counties, including 26 complete. Totals follow: Bailey 164,508; Neff 237,165; Davidson 174,096; Johnson 152,176; Hawkins 134,954; Pierson 181,634.

Bailey gained 1260 votes when it was found that the telegraphic report from Cass County had dropped the naught in 1408, giving Bailey 148 instead. Neff received 1423 votes in Cass county, Bailey 1408.

No primaries were held in Sterling and Upton counties.

BAILEY ADMITS DEFEAT

His Manager Intimates Interesting Developments in November.

Dallas, Texas, Aug. 29.—Joseph Weldon Bailey was in Dallas today. He declined to make a statement regarding the result of the second Democratic primary election. In a statement attributed to Mr. Bailey and published today in Fort Worth, Mr. Bailey is quoted as follows:

"The returns received up to this hour indicate a decisive majority for Mr. Neff. I made the campaign on the principles of Democracy as they have been accepted and cherished for more than one hundred years, but the result convinces me that our party in this state will no longer support those principles. The people have spoken and I accept their verdict as a final conclusion of the matter, so far as I am concerned."

Bailey campaign headquarters here will be vacated by Wednesday, according to Luther Nickels, campaign manager, who expects to complete all of the records of the office by that time.

In the course of a statement made today, Mr. Nickels said:

"We made the fight for what we knew to be sound principles. The unimportant except as it afforded means to the establishment of principles. We lost, and that settles the matter in so far as the office is concerned, and with respect to that we cheerfully acquiesce in the result, because a majority of that minority of the voters of Texas who affiliate with the Democratic party have the unchallenged right to confer the nomination upon whomsoever they will."

"As the majority of the minority composing the Democratic party in action yesterday had the right to confer the nomination upon its choice, so the majority of all the voters of Texas have the unchallenged right to confer the office itself upon whomsoever they desire in the general election in November. More than half a million voters have not participated in the Democratic primaries. Less than half a million did participate. Of those who did participate, there are about one hundred thousand women voters who probably cannot vote in November unless the state laws are amended; and if they can vote at all, then there will be several hundred thousand other women who can also vote and who, of course, did not participate in the primaries."

"There is no obligation of any sort upon anybody who voted yesterday to attend the polls and vote in November. The only obligation is that if they do vote they should vote for the nominee. If the women's vote is eliminated, and the vote cast for Senator Bailey is eliminated, there will remain about two hundred and fifty thousand of those

cast yesterday from which the nominee will be able to draw.

"His opponents of the Republican party and the American party have more than twice this many to draw from, and if the women shall be permitted to vote at all in the general election, they will have 200,000 or 300,000 more. All this suggests interesting developments as November approaches."

Mr. Bailey spent almost the entire day today in his room in a local hotel or in the campaign headquarters. Mr. and Mrs. William Bacon were his guests for a part of the day and with them he went for a short automobile ride in the afternoon.

No definite announcement as to his future plans were made. Supporters who assisted him in the campaign, coming to Dallas from other cities in the state, plan to return to their homes within a few days.

Boisterous Crowd Jeers Bailey.

Fort Worth, Texas, Aug. 29.—Former Senator Joseph W. Bailey arrived here last night and remained in the private office of a local newspaper publisher until 11 o'clock, receiving the election returns. It had previously been given out by one of his friends that he intended taking the interurban for Dallas and spending the night there. He left the newspaper office with the intention of taking the 11 o'clock interurban for Dallas, it is stated, but later changed his mind and procured room at a hotel.

When Mr. Bailey appeared on the street between 11 and 12 o'clock, he quickly attracted the attention of a group of people opposing him and was jeered by them. He was accompanied by a number of friends, including Ed Elliott, who related the incident this morning, and paid no attention to the remarks directed to him, but made his way from the newspaper office to the hotel, a distance of about two blocks. By the time he reached the hotel lobby, where he took a seat, the crowd had increased to several hundred and had become boisterous. A policeman placed himself in the doorway of the hotel and prevented any of the outside crowd from entering. Mr. Bailey's friends also aided in barring the way. Several men were roughly handled, but no noses were mashed nor blood spilled. Mr. Bailey sat for about fifteen minutes in the lobby while the crowd outside shouted derisively. Mr. Bailey finally went upstairs to his room and the crowd dispersed. No arrests were made, although there were several scuffles and some disorder. The hotel clerk sent a call to the police station for additional men while the disorder was in progress, but before they arrived the crowd had dispersed.

Neff's Age--His Explanation.

Waco, Aug. 29.—Pat M. Neff, in a statement given out just as the polls were closing Saturday night, said:

"Now that the polls are closed and the voting is done, I feel, regardless of what the results of today's election may be, that my friends, not my enemies, are entitled to know the truth about my age record. I would have been glad to have explained this matter to my friends before now, but I did not deem it wise on the eve of an election to lose sight of the main issues by defensive explanations."

Was Confused on Age.

"The truth is, I have, for the major part of my life, lived under an erroneous impression as to my correct age. Just when, how or why I became confused on this point I do not know. I do not recall ever having named, either in a public or private way, prior to 1918 my birth year as being 1871. All by enrollments as a student, all my life insurance policies and every other thing of that nature, as far as I can recall, show my birth as 1872. I thought the date of my birth was 1872 until some time in the year 1918 when my mother on her own initiative in conversation about the war and the registration law, stated my age which made me one year older than

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IT STILL RAINS--CELEBRATION POSTPONED ONLY ONE DAY

In Marfa Saturday the Run Off of Primary Created Interest--Rained Tuesday and Wednesday

In the run-off primary in Presidio county, so far as learned, little interest was manifested. Only the returns from two voting precincts, both in the Marfa justice precinct No. 1, have been received. The interest in Marfa centered around the contest between Bailey and Neff. The total vote in these two precincts was 269--Neff receiving 187 and Bailey 82.

The Celebration.

Owing to the rains Tuesday and Wednesday the big celebration was postponed for one day only, except that the grand ball was had as per program, otherwise the entire program will be carried out Friday and Saturday. The boxing match, however, will take place at the opera house Saturday night, instead of at the Post as published.

The Parade.

The order of the grand parade will be as follows: Will form at Salvation Army camp, promptly at 9 a. m., Sept 3:

- 1st.—Marshal of the day.
 - 2nd.—Mounted cowboys and cowgirls in costume.
 - 3rd.—Fifth Cavalry.
 - 4th.—Decorated automobiles.
 - 5th.—All other automobiles.
- All the participants in the mounted events and decorated autos are requested to be in the parade. Any one who has a horse or auto is cordially invited to take part.

Old Glory.

As celebrating the ratification of the National Woman's Suffrage amendment, the ladies of Marfa, request that all citizens on Saturday, Sept. 4, will display as conspicuously as possible U. S. flags.

TO THE CITIZENSHIP OF MARFA

An Appeal to Reason.

This is intended to be a heart-to-heart talk with the citizens of Marfa, collectively and individually. It is an appeal to those qualities of citizenship which every resident of a community is expected to possess—an appeal to reason.

It is common knowledge that there is a new city marshal. His name is John Williams. His duty is to enforce the law. Neither he nor his job have any other excuse for existing, just so long as he is city marshal. If he does enforce the law, fairly and impartially, he is a good city marshal, such as all good citizens would have him be. If for any reason he does not enforce the law, fairly and impartially, it follows that he is not a good marshal, and will not be tolerated. Mr. Williams has had these matters thoroughly explained to him, and is familiar with his duties. It is not necessary to explain in detail to the average citizen just what is and what is not against the law. So far, Mr. Marshal and Mr. Average citizen should be in thorough accord. However, there are some who deliberately engage in pernicious practices (or at least, so we have heard), which they know to be clearly contrary to the law. To these misguided citizens, we can and will hold out no hope for amicable relations with Mr. Williams. To those who have been in the habit of breaking the law, and who continue to do so, and to any others who value their citizenship so little as to make themselves lawbreakers, this is intended to be a warning. We sincerely hope that those who have "gotten by" in the past will lay hold on this opportunity to let the past take care of itself, and, in future, to shape their conduct in accord with the law of the land. Please bear in mind, Mr. Citizen, that the traffic laws of Marfa were established as a measure of safety and convenience to the public, and must

and will be enforced. After all, isn't it better to avoid all unpleasantness by doing right in the first place.

Don't censure the marshal or the city administration, or anybody (except yourself), if you happen to be breaking the laws (even the traffic laws), and are caught at it. Surely you would not desire an officer of the law for doing his sworn duty.

The city administration feels that it is entitled to the support and co-operation of every good citizen. It asks for just this and no more. When you feel inclined to criticize and censure give the matter in hand the calm consideration that it is due. Give the city officials your indulgence to just such an extent as is commensurate with the bare plain facts. For instance, no right thinking person will demand that the city carry out projects costing \$10,000, when the entire budget of the city is less than \$4000. Just remember that the entire tax return of the city is consumed by the actual necessary expenses, and that nothing is left for extras or side issues. Bearing all this in mind, let us all exert our best efforts to making Marfa a better, bigger city. The good things will naturally follow.

No individual or community ever accomplished good things with discord and discontent. We therefore earnestly bespeak the indulgence and hearty co-operation of every good citizen. If you have a just complaint, make it, at the proper time and place. Honest, constructive criticism and suggestion is valuable, and will be welcomed. Remember that your first civic duty is to obey the law. This is an appeal to you merely to do your duty. If the city officials fail to do their full duty, tell them about it, honestly and candidly, and good will undoubtedly result. When they make mistakes, as all humans do, you may rest assured that they are mistakes of the head and not of the heart.

Finally, this appeal is made to every citizen of this community, and all others in our midst who are subject to the law of the land, not made for a few. They were made for all. The laws were made for you—for your benefit and for your protection. You are expected and required to obey them no less than your neighbor.

J. C. ORGAIN, Mayor.
W. B. MITCHELL,
W. P. MURPHY,
City Commissioners.

DR. McCLELLAN TO RETURN NEXT WEEK

The Rev. Clarence S. McClellan, Jr., will return to Marfa next week and will conduct the services in St. Paul's church here on Sunday, Sept. 12. There will be three services that day—Holy communion at 8 a. m., church school at 10 and Holy communion with meditation and church instruction at 11 a. m. For the present the evening service will be omitted. The rector was recently the guest of Senator and Mrs. William P. Hackney of Kansas at a dinner party in the Gate hotel in Los Angeles and also the guest at the Herman moving picture studios in Santa Monica. He preached in St. James' Episcopal church, Los Angeles, last week, and will be the preacher there tomorrow. The rector has received an invitation to spend next summer in California and to be the special preacher at several of the largest Episcopal churches in Southern California.

Population Decrease.

According to the U. S. census reports two counties joining Presidio show a decrease of population since 1910, as follows:

	1920	1910
Brewster	4322	5220
Jeff Davis	1445	1678

ON THE TOBAGGAN SLIDE

It Is Too Sweet to Be True—Sugar Prices to Be Lowered—Retailers Will Hold Firm Until After Election.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Sugar dealers caught in the recent price slump with large stocks on their hands are appealing to the department of justice to save them from loss, according to John F. Crosby, acting head of the department's campaign to lower the cost of living.

Many dealers who have been prohibited from selling sugar at more than 1 cent a pound profit, Mr. Crosby said Friday, complain that because they bought sugar when prices were high they now face heavy losses. Unless refiners violate the Lever act, he added, the department has no remedy for the situation.

Washington, Aug. 20.—Big sugar dealers are howling for help. Many of them who loaded up and held sugar when prices were high, with a view to unloading when they went still higher, find themselves facing serious losses, as sugar is falling downward with big strides with no immediate prospect of a check to the decline.

Within a week, when sugar prices have dropped from 23, 24 and 25 cents a pound to 16, 17 and 18, many dealers have lost thousands of dollars and the end is not yet. Thursday, according to information reaching Washington, one of the largest concerns in the country planned to put sugar on the market at 15 cents a pound in order to meet competition.

U. S. Watches Situation.

Government officials who are watching the situation said Friday that it would not be surprising if prices dropped to even lower levels before they stabilize. A miscalculation as to the effects of prohibition is declared to have been the real instigation of the break in sugar. A contributory cause is attributed to the haste of sugar dealers all over the world to rush their supplies to this country to get the benefit of the high prices. Many of these foreign supplies have already reached here or are en route, coming from Brazil, Peru, Argentina, China and even from Africa.

None of these countries have figured in American sugar markets before.

Big candy and soft drink manufacturers and speculators calculated wide prohibition would create a demand for candy and soft drinks never before known in this country, and gobbled up available sugar supplies. Then for weeks this past spring grocers informed the average individual there was no sugar to be had. Refiners took advantage of the demand to boost prices until they reached as high as 25 and 30 cents a pound.

This summer candy and soft drink manufacturers were awakened to the fact that the public had not gone as crazy over candy as anticipated. Accordingly they began to unload. Incidentally it develops that a small sized war is being waged between the refiners and their patrons, the outcome of which is surrounded with uncertainty.

The demand for sugar became so strong that "irrevocable letters of credit" were devised, refiners requiring these letters with orders for sugar. "The irrevocable letter of credit" is a letter from a bank, backed by actual security, that will guarantee payment for sugar as agreed. It tied up the purchaser's money. Refiners, it is said, have refused to depart from the terms guaranteed by the "irrevocable letter."

Apparently the big refiners have the upper hand, and are able to force payment for the big supplies purchased. Much of the sugar is now being sold at a loss averaging 5 cents a pound.

Another circumstance that makes it difficult to halt the downward competitive slide now is the approach of the best sugar yield, which will supply large quantities available for western states. This is expected to cut down the eastern refiners' market and bring an even sharper competitive stage.

Retail Sugar Prices Not to Drop Before January.

New York, Aug. 20.—Retail sugar prices will not drop before January 1, and there may be an increase, John B. Floyd, special agent of the department of justice "flying squadron" of profiteer hunters announced Friday after a conference with officials of three large refining companies and representatives of wholesale grocers.

The possibility of a greater sugar shortage than was felt last year also was indicated by Mr. Floyd, who said refiners told him that not more than 200,000 tons of raw product was now available in Cuba. The monthly supply of sugar in the United States is approximately 350,000 tons, Mr. Floyd said.

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Monday, September 6 to Friday, September 10 Inclusive.

Sul Ross Normal building, Alpine, Texas.

Faculty—Miss Jane McGrath, of Plattsville, Wis., State Normal.

President—R. L. Marquis, Sul Ross Normal College, Alpine, Texas.

Local teachers from counties participating.

Lectures—President R. L. Marquis, representative University; Rev. H. J. Reemstma, representative State department; Judge H. O. Metcalf, Miss Jane McGrath, Mr. Studhalter, A. J. Koenig, business manager; J. E. Conner, secretary.

Program—Monday, Sept. 6.

9 a. m.—Opening exercises.

Song by Institute.

Devotional exercises.

Music.

Address of Welcome, Alpine—Dr. Benjamin F. Berkeley.

Address of Welcome, Sul Ross Normal—President R. L. Marquis.

Response—H. Wofford.

Music.

Organization.

10:30 a. m.—Recess.

10:40 to 11:45 a. m.—Superintendents' meetings.

Alpine Room, No. 306.

Fort Davis, Room No. 307.

Marfa, Room No. 302.

Pecos, Room No. 316.

Sanderson, Room No. 300.

11:45 a. m.—Noon recess.

1:45 p. m.—Roll call and music.

2:00 p. m.—Address, President Marquis.

3:00 p. m.—Section meetings.

Primary-Intermediate Oral Reading, Miss McGrath.

High School—Mathematics.

Algebra—Teacher Mathematics, Sanderson.

Geometry—Miss Mary Newman.

Tuesday, Sept. 7.

9:00 a. m.—Opening exercises.

9:20 a. m.—Section meetings.

Primary-Intermediate—Silent Reading—Miss McGrath.

High School—Laboratory Procedure—Experiments, note books, inventory of supplies and apparatus, Miss Davie, Miss Hightower.

10:30 a. m.—Recess.

10:40 a. m.—General meeting address, "The Flora of the Trans-Pecos Region," Mr. Studhalter.

11:45 a. m.—Noon recess.

1:45 p. m.—Roll call and music.

2:00 p. m.—Section meetings.

Primary-Intermediate Dramatization, Miss McGrath.

High School—"Making the Work in English Count for Most," Miss Rix, Miss Williams.

3:30 p. m.—Superintendents' meetings, in rooms as assigned.

Wednesday, Sept. 8.

9:00 a. m.—Opening exercises.

9:20 a. m.—Section meetings.

Primary-Intermediate Language—Oral and written Composition, Miss McGrath.

High School—School Organization for Social Development, Mr. J. E. McCalmont.

10:30 a. m.—Recess.

10:40 a. m.—Address, Rev. H. J. Reemstma.

11:45 a. m.—Noon recess.

1:45 p. m.—Roll call and music.

2:00 p. m.—Section meetings.

Primary-Intermediate—The Story, Miss McGrath.

High School—Division of Time to Meet Present Conditions in History Teaching, J. E. Gregg.

3:00 p. m.—General meeting, address, "The Child," Miss McGrath.

Thursday, Sept. 9.

9:00 a. m.—Opening exercises.

9:20 a. m.—Section meetings.

Primary-Intermediate—Primary Numbers, Miss McGrath.

High School—The Needs of a Course in Home Nursing, Miss McNees.

10:30 a. m.—Recess.

10:40 a. m.—General Meeting—Address, Representative Department Education.

11:45 a. m.—Noon recess.

1:45 p. m.—Roll call and music.

2:00 p. m.—Section meetings.

Primary-Intermediate—Music, Rhythms, and Folklore Games, Miss McGrath.

3:00 p. m.—Superintendents' meetings, in rooms as assigned before.

2:30 p. m.—High School—The Constitutional Amendment, A. J. Koenig.

2:00 p. m.—Mothers' congress.

2:00 p. m.—School board meetings.

Friday, Sept. 10.

9:00 a. m.—Opening exercises.

9:20 a. m.—Section meetings.

Primary-Intermediate—Standard Tests and Measurements, Miss McGrath.

High School—Democracy in School Administration, J. E. Conner.

10:30 a. m.—Recess.

10:40 a. m.—General Session—Address, "What the Board May and Does Expect of the Teacher," Judge H. O. Metcalf.

11:45 a. m.—Noon Recess.

1:45 p. m.—Roll call and music.

2:00 p. m.—Section meetings.

Primary-Intermediate—"Habit Formation," Miss McGrath.

High School—Foreign Language—Spanish Teacher, Sanderson and M. P. Slover.

3:00 p. m.—General session.

Report of committees.

Election of officers.

Closing.

We have a supply of Type-writer ribbons for Remington, Underwood and Oliver machines. Call at The New Era for a new ribbon when in need.

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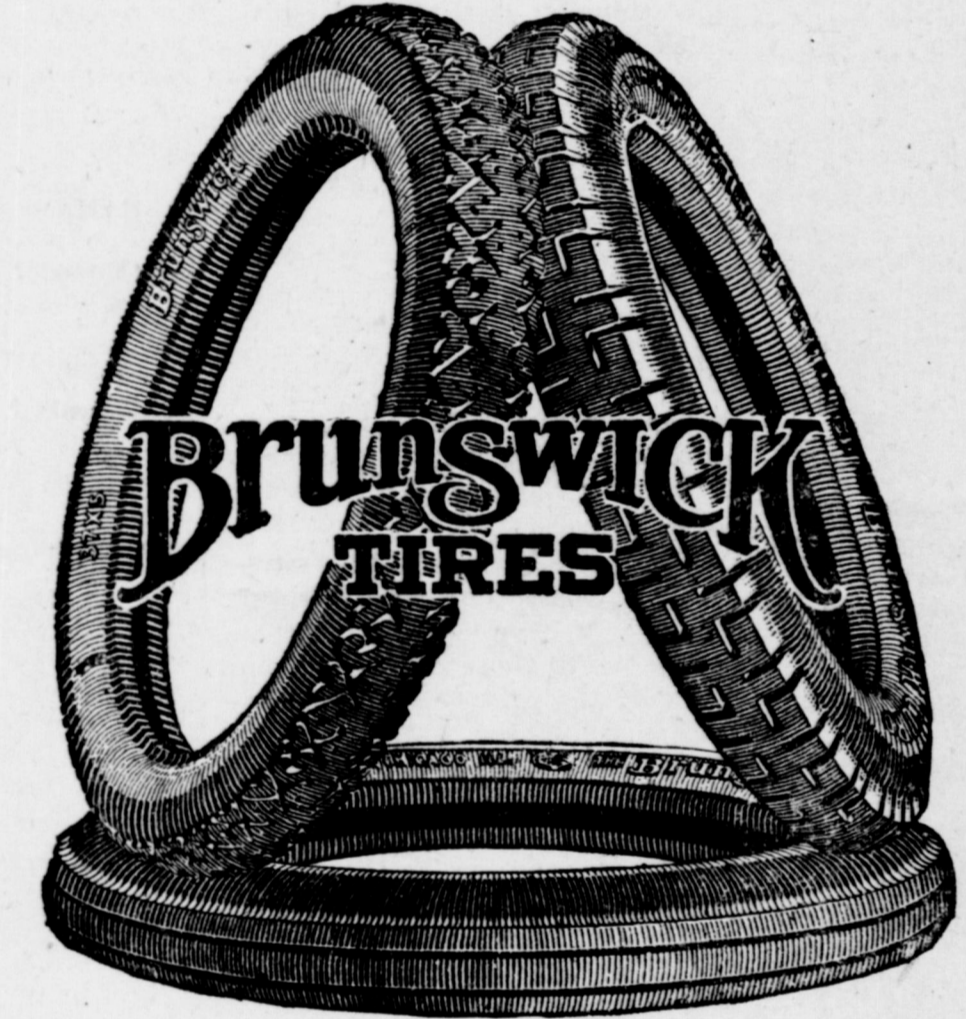
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Considering the fact that the willing support of the American people to selective service was the cornerstone of the creation of our great army and our successful military achievements, the war department does not deem it proper to pursue the policy of unjustifiable leniency toward those who deliberately evaded military service.

The creation of the huge army which was sent to the battlefields abroad was the result of the selective service act of May 18, 1917.

Although critics of American institutions predicted that in the event of a great war, the people of the United States would fail to rise to the full heights of patriotism and self-sacrifice in defense of their country, because of selfish motives and foreign influences, the war has proven that the old American spirit of sacrifice and service is not only alive, but more widespread than ever before.

During the period of active hostilities, the government was assisted by the various officials and agencies in apprehending draft deserters; a small but constant stream of whom were being delivered to posts, camps and stations; but because of the fact that those days were crowded with other matters of more importance, special attention could not be given during that time to the running down of the comparatively small number of draft deserters.

After the discontinuance on November 11, 1918, of mobilization and induction under the selective service law, the war department began at once to consider the question of the proper disposition to be made of all those registrants classified by the draft authorities as draft deserters with a view to definitely settling their status and punishing the guilty.

For this purpose instructions were issued on December 23, 1918, to the local draft boards to segregate from the 24,000,000 records of draft registrants, those of men reported during the period of the war as draft deserters. The shipment to Washington of these records, amounting to 489,003 began in March, 1919. Investigation showed that a comparatively small proportion of the nearly half million men reported as draft deserters could be considered as willful offenders.

In the reduction of this number, the following class of persons, numbering about 163,000 men, had their cases disposed of during the war:

Registrants who enlisted in the army, navy or marine corps, but failed to inform their local boards of the fact.

Men who failed to report for military duty, because of ignorance of the selective service act, but who, after learning of the seriousness of the offense, reported to military camps for service, and were restored to duty, after satisfactorily showing that their offense was not willful.

A small number of persons, who during the progress of the war were convicted of desertion, or discharged as physically unfit for service.

Registrants who died after their induction orders were mailed.

Of the remaining 325,000 names, the records of 151,000 showed that they could not properly be charged with desertion, and the records of 173,000 registrants revealed that they had been ordered to report for military duty and willfully failed.

Out of 24,000,000 registrants, the maximum number chargeable with willful desertion is 173,911, considerably less than 1 per cent of the total registration, and a tremendous improvement over the draft record of the Civil War. The war department, in the near future, will publish to the country a list of men classified as willful deserters, and desires to obtain the co-operation of the various state and local officials, patriotic societies and other agencies, including the department of justice, in bringing about the apprehension of these men. Assurances of such co-operation have in many cases already been given. Exact copies of the list of names, grouped by states or other convenient divisions will be available for postmasters, police stations and other agencies.

Pending publication of the list of deserters, any man charged with draft desertion who wishes to avoid the humiliation of arrest may voluntarily surrender at the nearest army post, camp or station, in order that his case may be investigated and his status definitely determined. In the event that any such man's case shall have been finally disposed of, prior to the publication of the list of deserters, his name will be omitted from that list.

Any draft registrant who is in doubt as to his draft status may write to the adjutant general of the army, Washington, D. C., and find out how he is classified, notwithstanding that ignorance of such

status is the registrant's own fault, because of his lack of interest in keeping track of his obligations to the government.

The war department wishes it clearly understood that men who are guilty of willful desertion will not be relieved of the consequence of their misconduct, nor will they be discharged merely because they write to the adjutant general of the army and request a discharge.

While the war department is prepared to give full information to the draft registrants requesting it, as to what evidence will be required in order to obtain a discharge, the documentary evidence required will be most rigidly examined when it is submitted, and must show conclusively that no injustice is done to the government in granting a discharge.

Draft deserters are men who registered, and who were ordered by the draft authorities to report for military duty at a specified time and place, and who did not so report. Such men are by law held to have been inducted into the military service of the United States, where they remain until they are discharged. They are subject to trial by court marshal for their offense of desertion.

Draft delinquents are men who were required by law to register, but who failed to register, or who, although they registered, as required, failed to report for physical examination, or failed to return properly executed questionnaires.

These delinquents have not been inducted into the military service and consequently are civilians, not subject to trial by military courts. The department of justice is charged with bringing these offenders to punishment, and has indicted thousands of them before the federal courts, of whom a considerable number have been convicted. The offense of draft delinquency is no more to be overlooked than that of draft desertion. The department of justice has most ably co-operated with the war department in apprehending draft deserters.

The war department has temporarily suspended the payment of the reward of \$50 for the apprehension and delivery to military authorities of draft deserters because of the tremendous expense that would be incurred. The patriotism and universal desire of the people to see no

draft deserter go unpunished, it is believed will be sufficient incentive without the offering of a reward tender to military authorities of these draft offenders.

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I pass—Joe Bailey.

And may the hatchet be forever buried.

Is it to be resurrected for the election in November?

We all need religious discipline more or less, and some of the preachers need it, also, and most of the politicians.—Thinkograph.

The emancipation day—August 26—of woman's new freedom will be put in the calendar.

Mr. Probe is still after the profiteers and old man H. C. L. Every day we read that another probe has commenced to probe. But what's the use? Back to the farm.

THE CRISIS IN COTTON.

The wide decline in the price of cotton has naturally led to the belief that other than legitimate economic influences have been at work

in the market. Since the prices of other commodities have fallen only slightly, in general it is not reasonable to assume that there is warrant for cotton to decline from 43 cents to 29 cents within a few months.

At present prices the farmer receives about \$75 per bale less than the price that ruled when he planted his crop last spring, or practically one-third less than he had reason to expect he would get, when he started the season.

In making his crop, his expenses have been on the basis of costs of general commodities, with which cotton prices were in accord last spring.

The whole situation is that while what the cotton farmer has to buy has declined in price scarcely at all, what he has to sell is now priced at least one-third below the general level of values.

It is obvious that some concerted action must be taken to prevent the farmers of Texas from being forced to sell their product so far below cost.

The Federal reserve board has endorsed the idea of member banks extending all the aid possible in helping the farmers to market their crop gradually, although it is advising strict economy on the part of the farmers and urging that no unnecessary burden be placed upon the banks.

Unless action be taken soon, before the bulk of the crop piles on the market, the farmers may be in almost as bad a predicament as in 1914, when the price slumped so disastrously for lack of buyers.

It is up to the banks and the farmers to co-operate in a movement that will counteract the bearish attitude of the spinners. If Texas is to enjoy the prosperity that was expected from its crop this season, the interest at work to depress cotton prices must be made to understand that they are not going to be allowed to buy this crop at their own prices.—Houston Post.

Former Senator Bailey's demand that he be recognized as the political mentor and leader of the Texas Democracy, was answered in last Saturday's primary by a negative vote which can be considered nothing less than crushing to his vaulting ambition. In that vote, the people of Texas registered an unmistakable repudiation of those poli-

tical vagaries which had come to be summed up in the term, "Baileyism." And to no one so much as to Mr. Bailey himself, perhaps, was that repudiation a surprise. For it is evident he did not realize, even faintly, to how small an extent he was acquainted, and in sympathy, with public opinion in Texas. Time was when he was familiar with the sentiments of Texans on national questions; but it is extremely doubtful if he ever has been in close touch with them on matters relating to state affairs. And in the eight years spent almost entirely out of the state, since he quit the senate, he has lost touch with its people on national issues. Unfortunately for him, he could not understand this was true. Mistaking the constant devotion of a few friends here as representing the popular sentiment in the state, he imagined he could come back and sway them by his characteristic style of oratory—a combination of egotism and effrontery—to any dogma he might choose to offer them. How egregiously he was mistaken is shown by the vote of last Saturday.

An the result of that vote is highly creditable too the intelligence and independence of the Texas electorate. Had Mr. Bailey been able to succeed in his effort, the result would have been a calamity to the state from which it would not have recovered soon. It would have listed Texas as a non-progressive state, composed of non-thinking people who could be swayed from their principles by demagogic oratory, incapable of intelligently exercising the right of suffrage. But, "Baileyism" thus has been repudiated so emphatically, it is difficult to believe it ever will be reintroduced into the state's politics; and the result well may be accepted gratefully as the passing of Mr. Bailey as an important political factor in Texas.—San Antonio Evening News.

THE GREATEST TASK OF A CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The greatest task of a chamber of commerce is to "sell" itself to the people of the community in which it is located and from among whom it draws its support.

The term "sell" is borrowed from the primer of the modern salesman

and it is used advisedly. Men and women will not pay money to a civic or commercial organization which does not win their approval or of which they know nothing.

The successful merchant, nowadays, strives to educate his patrons to acquire a taste for the goods he carries on his shelves and the chamber of commerce or other quasi public institution, depending on popular support must prove to its members and to the people as a whole that it has a reason for being and therefore worthy of maintenance.

Too many chambers of commerce were permitted to die of inanition, in the past, because those who should be benefitted by it and who would support it if they were shown how to secure the benefits, were permitted to remain in ignorance often times even of its very existence except when they were called upon to send checks to cover their dues.

The officers and directors were too often to blame for lack of interest. They either did not know how to "sell" the benefits of the organization or they were inclined to adopt a policy of exclusiveness and converted the chamber of commerce into a "club" at which the favored few gathered on more or less regular occasions for the purpose of forming plans to which the community was expected to agree regardless of the fact that they had no voice in making them or of the further fact that they had not been given good reasons for agreeing to them.

It is as incumbent upon the directors of a chamber of commerce to let the people of the community know what the organization is doing or trying to do to advance the best but of the community as a whole as interests, not only of its members but of the community as a whole as it is that the people should support it.

The officers and directors of the Toyah Basin Chamber of Commerce are attempting to follow the advice given above through the publication of the little daily bulletin in which every move made for the benefit of Toyah and its people is chronicled.

The people of Toyah are familiar with the objects and aims of the Toyah Basin Chamber of Commerce

through the columns of the Toyah Basin Oil News.

To again use the language of the salesman they have "bought" the organization. That that is true is manifested by the manner in which the best people of the community support the Chamber of commerce. They have learned that the organization so far from being an "oil man's club" or a "club" operated in the interests of any class, it is a "clearing house" for the entire community and that from the humblest to the highest, if there are any either in Toyah, each and all may feel free to work with it and through it for the benefit of all.—Toyah Basin Oil News.

Joe Bailey Keeps School.

(By Marfaite.)

The following school drill in Joe Bailey's recent educational stunt is illuminating:

Joe Bailey, teacher.
Bailey—"Who is the greatest man on earth?"

Class—"Whole class with one accord, 'Joe Bailey.'"

Bailey—"How do you know this?"

Class—"Joe Bailey said so."

Bailey—"Who is the next biggest man to Joe a Bailey?"

Class—"There is none."

Bailey—"What statesman never made a mistake?"

Class—"Joe Bailey."

Bailey—"Who is the only living wonder that can live in two places at the same time?"

Class—"Joe Bailey."

Bailey—"Whose scholars always stay with him, right or wrong?"

Class—"Joe Bailey's."

Bailey—"Who can do more blowing, make more noise, and get less votes than anybody in Texas?"

Class—"Joe Bailey."

Bailey—"Who is going to pay the money lost on Joe Bailey?"

Class—"The suckers who thought Texas had gone crazy."

Bailey—"What is Joe Bailey going to do now?"

Speaking of the fun that is poked at women for wearing furs in summer, one of the fair sex calls attention to the fact that the original owners of the furs wore them the year around.—Indianapolis Times.

A wet plank frequently is rather slippery.—Indianapolis News.

WRESTLING CHAMPION WITH GENTRY BROTHERS' SHOW

Steve Savage, the wrestling champion, is an added attraction with Gentry Brothers' shows this year. The science of wrestling at present is at the very pinnacle of popularity and the addition of this well known champion gives the wrestling fans an opportunity to see Savage, as he appears at each performance in this city. The Slavic giant has met some of the best men in the world and is at the very height of his career at the present time. The Gentry shows will exhibit at Marfa, Tuesday, September 7.


Performing wild animals consisting of lions, leopards, pumas and other species of forest bred beasts have been added to the Gentry Bros.' famous shows until the little Wild animal Arena has been affixed to the trademark of this popular firm. Many new acts and features are in store for the patrons of Gentry, Bro.'s shows which will exhibit here on Tuesday, Sept. 7. The street parade will contain all of the favorite animal performers as well as the new department of performing wild animals. Clowns and other novelties that are new to this show will take part in the procession and all the little folks should be on hand to see the dogs, ponies and elephants in parade dress.

"A Scenic Route."


All who have traveled (tried to) the road to Marfa have had a splendid chance to view the mud. Some have even remained all day in a beautiful mud hole, entirely surrounded by mud, until some other (others) came along to view the same hole. So far no one has reported losing a car in any of them. "Let 'er rain."—Fort Davis Post.

No Sunday Mail for Fort Davis.
The fourth assistant postmaster general has ordered that after Sept. 1, 1920, the Sunday mail service from Marfa to Fort Davis will be discontinued.

It's time for Americans in Mexico to get out in a hurry. The Mexican government has assured them that they are as safe in that country as they would be in Chicago.—St. Paul Dispatch.



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Locals and Personals

C. H. Bird of Fort Davis was in the city Monday.

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J. S. Stockard of Cisco filled the pulpit at the Christian church last Sunday, morning and evening.

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J. E. Vaughn, after a two weeks' visit to home folks near San Angelo, returned to Marfa Tuesday.

Mrs. Yates and daughter Isabelle left Thursday for a few days' trip to El Paso.

A. D. Bloys and wife of Valentine were registered Saturday at the Alta Vista.

Andrew Prude of Jeff Davis county was over looking around the city Monday.

Judge Roy L. Tingle returned Thursday from a six weeks' visit to the old folks at home.

For Rent—Furnished three-room apartment. See Mrs. J. S. Cook, phone 147, ring 2.

M. F. Higgins of Fort Davis was over Monday. It is hoped that his watermelons, the Alabama Sweets, are ready to pull.

Announcement.

We are now prepared to furnish table cream, whipped cream, butter, buttermilk and sour milk.

MODEL DAIRY, Phone 146. If

Now on sale at Milady's Shoppe, a beautiful line of suits and dresses. Call and make your selections early, these will not last long at the prices.

Henry W. Schutze, having rented the basement under the Queen theater, left Tuesday for the east, where he expects to purchase a large stock of goods for his new store.

A new and beautiful line of serge dresses and suits are now to be seen at Milady's Shoppe. The styles are right and prices reasonable. Call and see them.

Lost.

One 34x4 1-2 U. S. cord tire, together with the rim. Finder will be rewarded by returning same to the Ernest Williams' Oil Filling Station, Marfa, Texas.

Misses Irene Berkhart and Laura Brooks left for their homes Saturday night, having been guests of Miss Leota Gillett at her ranch home and for the Skillman Grove camping.

Mr. F. L. Landers, who for the past ten or twelve months has held a clerkship in the local postoffice, left Monday, accompanied by his wife, for an overland trip to Port Lavaca.

T. J. Kennedy, of Portland Ore., interested in the company now preparing to drill for oil on the Fischer ranch has been in the city this week. He is a very affable gentleman, and if looks as if his company means real business.

A large party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Delong, and children, of Ozona, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson and family, of Christoval, Texas, and a number of others, passed through Marfa Tuesday en route for the celebrated Cleveland hot springs.

Mrs. Oliver Franklin Billingsley and little son, Oliver Franklin Jr., will arrive this week from their home in El Paso for a visit with Mrs. Billingsley's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Kilgore. Oliver Jr. will enter school here.—San Antonio News.

Miss Dorothy Mitchell entertained the Tri Sigmas Wednesday afternoon with a bunco party, after the business discussion. A dainty salad course was served. Those present besides the club members were Miss Stella Traweck and Mrs. Clay Mitchell. The club will meet with the Misses Rawls next week. The farewell breakfast which will be given Sept. 10, is the last meeting of the club for this summer as most of the members leave in a short time for college.

Mr. John Little of Pearsall, Texas, is a visitor to the city, having arrived here Thursday. For a number of years he was sheriff of Frio county. He has many old friends living in and around Marfa. In the old days he "punched" cattle with George Howard and other old-timers here.

Miss Leota Gillett entertained the Tri Sigma club August 26 in honor of her guests, Miss Laura Brooks of Wharton, and Miss Irene Berkhart of Matagorda. A very pleasant social hour was spent playing progressive forty-two. Then the club and guests enjoyed a Mexican supper.

School Opens.

School work will begin Monday, September 13th. The building will be open at 8:30 and all will assemble in the auditorium at 9:00. There will be the usual opening exercises and parents and patrons are invited and requested to be present.

For those pupils, who for one reason or another, failed to finish their work last year, there will be entrance examinations on Monday evening, beginning at 2 o'clock. Books will be issued Monday, also, to those pupils who are ready to go ahead with their work.

The attendance promises to be greatly increased this year. Our teachers all come well recommended and with the co-operation of the people which we have had in the past and, which we desire and bespeak for the future, this should be a banner year for the school.

Come to the opening. Respectfully yours, J. E. CONNER.

Mrs. W. B. Mitchell Entertains.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Mitchell extended their charming hospitality to a number of friends Tuesday night, honoring their attractive house guest, Mrs. W. W. Martindale of San Marcos. Their spacious home was beautiful throughout in its display of American Beauty roses.

Small tables, each overspread with pretty lace cover and graced with a pot of pink phlox, were placed in the living room and library for sixty-four guests. The dining room was especially beautiful. The green and pink motif being cleverly carried out in the decorations. A large silver basket tied with a bow of pink maline and filled with pink carnations was placed in the center of the table, and pinks and ferns extended to the four corners of the table. Candlesticks holding pink candles and tied with pink maline were also placed at the corners of the table.

After the guests had found their places at the small tables they were invited by the hostess to pass into the dining room, where Mrs. R. H. Evans, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Rosson and Mrs. McKie Mitchell, seated around the table, served in a charm-passed.

Between the courses Dorothy Mitchell, Elizabeth Fennel, Marguerite Evans, Thelma Mitchell and Catherine Mitchell passed seguard nuts and confections, at which time one of the most delightful features of the party, songs and readings by Mrs. Orgain, was enjoyed.

The personnel included Mr. and Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Brite, Mrs. Charles Pruett, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Crosson, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Mr. and rs. Word, r. F. A. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Orgain, issues Gorth of San Marcos, Mr. and Mrs. Colquitt, Mr. and Mrs. Pool, Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf, Mr. and rs. Fischer, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Mahon, Mr. and Mrs. Babry, r. and Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. Conner, Mr. and Mrs. Snyder, Mrs. Mueller, Mrs. Hereford and Mrs. Cox of Dallas, Mrs. S. D. Jackman of San Marcos, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Cook, Captain and Mrs. Dwan of San Marcos, Mr. and Mrs. Easterling, Dr. and Mrs. Mahon, Mr. and Mrs. Meade, Mrs. Orgain of Bastrop, Mr. and Mrs. Rason, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Evans, Mr. and Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Wallins of Fort Sill, Okla.; Colonel and Mrs. Hornbrook, Mr. and Mrs. Fennel, Mr. and Mrs. McKie Mitchell, Mrs. W. W. Martindale and Miss Martindale of San Marcos, Misses Dorothy Mitchell, Elizabeth Fennel, Marguerite Evans, Catherine Mitchell, Thelma Mitchell, Helen Joyce, Laura Mitchell.

An Elaborate Entertainment.

Beautiful indeed was the buffet dinner on Friday, August 27, when Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Smith opened their palatial home to sixty of their friends. Upon entering the reception hall the guests were invited into the den, where Misses Hester Brite, Dorothy and Katherine Mitchell served delicious punch, carrying out the color scheme in yellow.

The table was decorated in yellow. Maline bows and yellow garden flowers surrounded the punch bowl. Ribbon streamers tied with golden rod fell from the chandeliers. In the living room huge jardinares filled with yellow flowers were on all the tables and the piano. Beautiful golden rod was in evidence everywhere. In the dining-room long yellow maline streamers extended from the chandelier to each corner of the table, ending in fluffy bows with large bouquets of yellow flowers. The table was laid in lovely ebony and silver candlesticks holding yellow candles were placed here and there. A beautiful silver candelabra bearing yellow candles and flowers was used as the center decoration. The table was made especially attractive in beautiful silver. At the table serving were Mesdames R. H. Evans, L. C. Brite, J. C. Orgain, and J. W. Pool. Four courses were served, consisting of chicken croquettes, sandwiches, olives, peas in patties and potatoes, molded fruit salad, wafers, yellow and white brick cream, macaroons, yellow nuts, and cafe Noir. During the dinner several of the guests were called upon for stunts which caused much laughter. After dinner an old-fashioned spelling match furnished much amusement. Mr. Edgar Mahon winning first prize, an old-fashioned blue back speller. Mrs. Snyder, the booby, a Kewpie dressed in yellow maline. Following this the guests were required to make a rhyme before leaving. Those enjoying this hospitality were Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Casner, W. P. Fischer, C. E. Mead, E. R. Mabry, C. E. Orgain, H. O. Metcalf, L. C. Brite, T. W. Pool, T. C. Crosson, F. A. Mitchell, W. B. Mitchell, R. H. Evans, J. E. Conner, Karl Word, Edgar Mahon, H. B. Holmes, Charles Bailey, J. W. Rosson, F. L. Anderson, Raymond Fitzgerald, T. W. Snyder, R. S. McCracken, R. L. Robinson, Ben Pruett, James Hereford of Dallas, Mesdames Cox of Dallas, Murray of San Antonio, Will Martindale of San Marcos, Dr. and Mrs. Mahon, Colonel and Mrs. Hornbrook, Miss Hester Brite, Dorothy and Katherine Mitchell.

Popular Pastor Resigns.

Rev. Philip F. King, who for the past two years has been the pastor of the Christian church in this city, has resigned, and will leave about the fifteenth of this month for Del Rio, where he has accepted the pastorate of the Christian church.

Rev. King and his estimable wife have so endeared themselves to a large number of people in Marfa that their departure will cause much regret, not alone to the members of his congregation, but to a large circle of friends outside the church. The New Era speaks for him a successful pastorate at Del Rio and heartily commends him and his lovable wife to the Christian people of that city.

History Club Meets.

Mrs. K. C. Miller entertained the History club at the Community club building Tuesday afternoon. Members present were: Mesdames W. P. Fischer, Charles Bailey, T. M. Snyder, R. S. McCracken, W. J. Yates, Raymond Fitzgerald, L. C. Brite, T. C. Crosson, Hunter Metcalf, E. Nichols, J. E. Conner, C. E. Meade, H. M. Fennel, Charles Pruitt, Joe Humphries, Riley Smith, and Miss Jacobs. After the usual order of business and the lesson Mrs. Muna invited the guests to the Candy Shop where an elaborate ice course was served. The September meeting will be with Mrs. J. C. Orgain.

Cornoyer-Chastain.

On Monday, August 30th, Chester Cornoyer and Miss Leona Chastain were united in marriage, Rev. P. V. King officiating. Mr. Chester Cornoyer is employed



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at the Murphy-Walker Co.'s department store, and although only a citizen of Marfa comparatively a short time, has made many friends in the city. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Chastain of Marfa, and is one of the popular members of Marfa's younger set. The New Era extends congratulations and best wishes for a most prosperous and happy journey along life's pathway.

Marfa Visitor.

Ben Avant of Marfa, Texas, was in Jourdanon several days this week visiting with relatives. He is a nephew of Walter Avant and will be remembered as a son of A. M. Avant, a former citizen of Pleasanton and the sheriff of Atascosa for many years. Ben has been connected with a bank in Marfa for several years and was on his regular summer vacation. He met many old friends whom he had almost forgotten and said this part of Texas had improved wonderfully since he left here.—Atascosa News-Monitor.

Baptist Church.

Two fairly good crowds were present at the Baptist church Sunday morning and night. Many were not present who doubtless could have been if they had strained a point.

The pastor will preach two sermons Sunday that our people ought to hear, whether they sound good or not.

Sunday morning the subject will be, "The Fate of the Fruitless," as is indicated by Christ's words concerning the fig tree when he said, "Cut it down. Why cumbereth it the ground."

Sunday night, "The Modern Craze for Notoriety." Services at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. C. S. HARRISON, Pastor.

Christian Church.

Preaching by the pastor, Rev. Philip F. King, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. At the morning hour the offering for missions will be taken. Each member is asked to give one-tenth of his income for August to the mission cause.

Epworth League Program.

Sept. 5, 1920. Leader—Mr. Weatherford. Subject—"The Christian Use of Recreation." Song. Prayer.

Scripture Reference Eccles. XI. 7-10—Rom. XII. 1-2. Special Music—Local male quartet.

Talk, Leader—"What Was Solomon Driving At?"

"Is Play an Essential Part of the Christian Life?" Mr. Metcalf. Talk—"Recreation or Wreck—Creation, Which?" Prof. J. E. Conner. Song.

Benediction. On Sunday afternoon the Epworth Leaguers and their friends will hold an unique outdoor service at Paisano Pass.

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Here's What's Expected of You if Drafted on U. S. Grand Jury.

By Jack Stevens.

What is a federal grand jury? In the first place, it is a very different body from a state grand jury. Postmasters throughout the district or division within the jurisdiction of the federal court are requested to submit names of citizens in their respective counties who are freeholders and who are otherwise eligible to serve on a federal grand jury.

Thirty-six Are Drafted.

From the names submitted, which have been jumbled together in a box or some other receptacle, the federal jury commissioner, assisted by the federal district clerk and three witnesses, draw 36 names, and from these 36 names finally 23 men are drawn to constitute a federal grand jury, such as is to convene in El Paso on Sept. 15, when a special term of federal court begins here.

A federal grand jury cannot be composed of less than 16 members, and if from the panel certified by the jury commissioner 16 cannot be secured the United States marshal, or his deputy, can summon the number necessary to complete the body, but he cannot elect them from bystanders.

Less than 16 members present means no business can be transacted, and if you wish to term returning indictments business, and the body must proceed until a quorum is in the jury room. All 16 members participate in arriving at indictments, or the 23 members when there are that many jurors. But if 12 of the members of a federal grand jury concur in an indictment, it can be returned and certified to, notwithstanding four or 11, as the case may be, do not concur in the finding.

If a witness is obstinate he or she can be dealt with by a federal grand jury the same as if the witness had been guilty of contempt of court. The foreman has the right to summon witnesses and to issue subpoenas for them.

Duties of Bailiff.

Every federal grand jury has a bailiff to wait on the body, but the bailiff is not allowed to discuss with any one a case being investigated, and is prohibited from being present in the grand jury room when the jurors are discussing or voting on a case being examined.

A federal grand jury meets and adjourns from day to day while the body is in session in accordance with a democratic custom—as a majority determines by their ballots—but a federal grand jury cannot adjourn for a longer period than three days without the consent of the court.

Members of a federal grand jury often come from a great distance and have to remain away from home for an indefinite period. Each member is paid \$3 per day from the time he leaves his home until he is discharged, and is allowed 5 cents per mile for traveling expenses; if he resides 50 miles from the court he gets \$5 to cover the 100 miles traveled going and coming.

Qualifications of a Juror.

The qualifications of a federal grand juror are: (1) he must be a freeholder within the state and a householder in the county of his residence, and must be 21 years' old and qualified to vote; (2) he must be able to read and write the English language (unless the required number of jurors cannot be found in the county); (3) he must never have been convicted of a felony and must not be under indictment or other legal accusation for theft or any other felony; (4) he must not have served on the federal grand jury within one year in which a defendant was tried for the same offense the jury he is a member of is to indict him.

A man more than 60 years' old can not be compelled to serve on a federal grand jury; civil officers are exempted, the same as are preachers, road overseers, doctors, attorneys, newspaper publishers, druggists, undertakers, telegraph operators, station agents, grist millers, saw millers, president, conductors, firemen and engineers on railroads, where they are actually engaged, and members of local fire departments (not to exceed 20 to each 1000 inhabitants in cities of more than 15,000 population).

It is seldom the case that negro is seen serving on a state petit or grand jury, but frequently federal grand jury bodies have a negro member or two. Heretofore women have not been qualified to serve on a federal grand jury. When U. S. Commissioner A. J. W. Schmid was asked Saturday, if women, since they have been enfranchised by a constitutional amendment, would be eligible for federal grand jury duty, he replied that he believed they would.

OIL AND GAS LEASE

LAWS OF TEXAS.

The Chamber of Commerce has had innumerable requests from prospective investors in oil lands and leases in the Toyah basin from all parts of the United States for copies of the laws of the State of Texas bearing upon the question of the rights of the leaser. For the benefit of those who have made inquiry as well as of those who may make inquiry in future the following resume of the state laws on the subject is published:

The law as it now stands had for its object the stimulation of development of the oil and gas resources of the state through the encouragement of the operator of small means and the prevention of any one person, company or corporation from gaining control of any field or great portion thereof to withhold it from development or hold it for speculative purposes.

The statute provides that the state may issue permits, good for three years, which gives the holders thereof the right to access to the lands covered by the permits for the purpose of developing the oil and gas which may underlie the lands in question, the development to begin within 18 months of the date of the permits. If development is begun, actually, within the 18 months' period provided another 18 months is given for exploration purposes and the finding of oil or gas or both in commercial quantities.

If oil or gas, or both, is found in commercial quantities within the three-year period the holder of the permit covering the land on which the oil or gas or both has been found will be entitled to a state oil and gas lease good for ten years, renewable every ten years thereafter if desired. If development is not begun within 18 months after the granting of the permit or if commercial production is not proven within three years from the date of the granting of the permit the permit lapses and the oil and gas rights pertaining to the land revert to the state or the owner of the surface of the soil, for the purpose of subleasing the oil rights as the agent of the state.

Permits may not be granted any one person, firm, company or corporation for more than 2500 acres in one tract, nor will permits be issued to the same person, firm, company or corporation for additional acreage within two miles of any tract held by them under a state oil and gas permit.

A number of permit holders may form themselves into a group, combination or pool but the aggregate holdings of the group, combination or pool shall not exceed 10,240 acres or 16 sections. The acreage held by the group, combination or pool may be in a solid block (the two-mile inhibition will not apply in such

cases) or it may be in detached tracts.

Commercial production of oil or gas or both in one well on one tract grouped, combined or pooled as above, within the three-year time limit as prescribed by law will entitle the holders of the permits covering all of the properties so grouped, combined or pooled to state oil and gas leases good for ten years. No permit holder will in any way jeopardize or impair title to his individual holdings by joining a group, combination or pool such as has been described above.

All original permits as and when issued shall be recorded in the state land office at Austin, Texas, and also in the county in which the lands involved may lie. If the permits are assigned or otherwise transferred such assignments or transfers must be similarly recorded.

The late reserve for itself and the owners of the surface rights a royalty of one-eighth of any oil or gas or both which may be found on the land covered by the permits.—Toyah Chamber of Commerce.

GENTRY BROTHERS COMING

Gentry Brothers' famous shows and wild animal arena, which will be seen here on Tuesday, Sept. 7, have many new features, principal among which is Miss Annette Delano, who gracefully mounted on a blooded high school horse, sings with the voice of the operatic star, while the intelligent animal which he rides, rounds the hippodrome track under the big arena tent performing its splendid repertoire of unusual accomplishments. Miss Delano is known as the "Australian Prima Dona Equestrienne," and she more than lives up to her title. The climax of her performance is reached when four score of white carrier pigeons, released from all sides of the great tent, circle above her head and then flutter down to perch on her head, shoulders and arms and on her reins and horse's neck and back.

People who love horses, ponies and dogs (and there are few of us who do not), may be interested in the news that this year Gentry Brothers are carrying with their famous shows a veterinarian, a highly specialized surgeon and practitioner, who explains to visitors interested in animals how Gentry Brothers carry over 200 ponies on the road and never have any ill for any length of time. This is true of the Gentry horses and dogs, also to say nothing of the wild animals in the interesting menagerie of the shows.

The veterinary surgeon invites stockmen to visit him at the show grounds in Marfa on Tuesday, Sept. 7, when Gentry Brothers' famous shows come to town.

"Stuck."

The popular stunt by way of amusement this week was stuck on the Marfa road, the favorite place

being the "scenic" grade at the curve about four miles this side of Marfa. Mr. Schroeter, the highway engineer, likes this spot as well as the writer and others from the Limpia hotel. It was an all night stay.—Fort Davis Post.

W. A. Buchanan was a business visitor in Marfa Saturday. He says that "he thought we had some water here, but found that the Marfa country was head and shoulders above Alpine in this respect."—Alpine Avalanche.

Water Works Busted.

From all reports Marfa turned on the "water works" there Saturday. We notice the editor of the New Era has been advocating such a move to the citizens of the city of Marfa.—Fort Davis Post.

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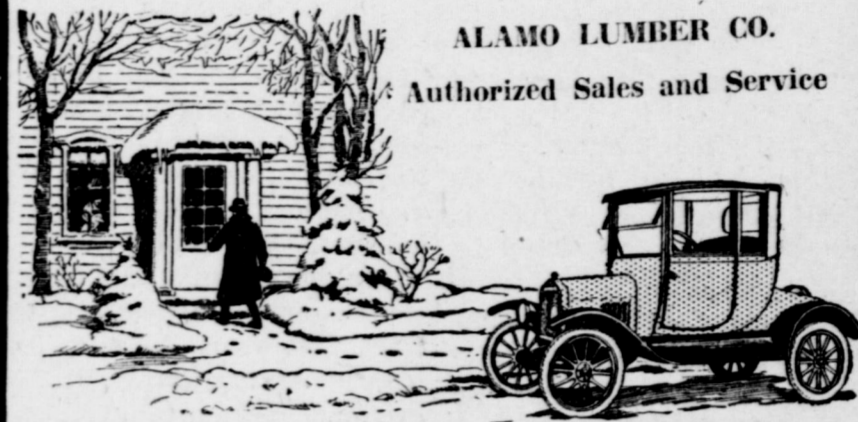
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The same man would be considerably surprised in anyone told him that there was an establishment in the West Bottoms, that deals exclusively with stockmen and cowboys, where a hat costs anywhere from \$12 to \$20, and a pair of trousers from \$15 almost up to any figure. A cowboy with a roll and a proper sense of the fitness of things can safely match tailors' bills with the most fastidious city dresser.

Several skilled workmen will spend weeks making a saddle, hand carving it with artistic designs and mounting it with as much silver and other precious metals as the purchaser desires to pay for. And when the stockman or cowboy wants a saddle he wants it right. It is not infrequently happens that his saddle costs more than the horse under it. Regular stock saddles cost as high as \$75, but when the purchaser goes in for something fancy they take the lid clear off. Take spurs, for instance. A good, everyday, knock-about pair of spurs can be had for \$15, but of course it is not contended that they are anything more than a rough and ready article for heavy road work. A silver spur, such as would set off a stamped patent leather boot, with a monogram on, will come higher of course. In making an estimate on a complete outfit it would be well to play safe and put the spurs down at \$40.

"Chaps" are something every cowboy has to have. "Chaps" is a trade name for those wide affairs that go on like a pair of overalls, which are seen in all faithful portrayals of life in the wild, horsey west. Sometimes they are of leather with a long fringe, or if the rider wants to look particularly devilish, they are of goat skin, with the hair unbarbered. "Chaps" cost anywhere from \$15 to \$25.

But the two articles that the cowboy who wants to shine really turns himself loose on are hats and saddles. A hat can be made a wonderful thing when price is not a discouraging consideration. Of hand-stamped leather, with silver filagree and buckle, it can be made to weigh several pounds and cost several dollars a pound. It seems that no cowboy would consider himself dressed up without at least five pounds of hat. As to what a cowboy thinks of a saddle can be figured in this way: When he starts to buy an outfit, he buys the saddle first and gets just what he wants, and then if he has any money left he buys the other things he needs.

There are fifty pounds of leather in a real cowboy saddle, fifty pounds of leather wonderfully carved, stamped and befringed. It is as big as a hammock, with a pommel like the ornamental stern post of a ship, and a back like a rocking chair. There are more rings, straps, throngs and holsters depending from it than an ayman could count without trying to learn their various uses. This saddle is a five-room flat full of furniture to the cowboy; he eats, works, loafs and sleeps in it.

The big Texas ranches, often stretching for miles and miles and including under their wire fences more acreage than European kingdoms and principalities, have their heraldry as well established as that familiar to the knight of old. The heraldry is the brands, and there are more than 8000 on record in Texas, as shown by their records of the Cattle Raisers' association of Texas. These brands are often better known than the name of the owners and many brands stand for honesty in breeding, honesty in weight and honesty in dealing just as the heraldry of knighthood stood for honor, for bravery and for noble deeds and accomplishment. The announcement a certain brand is offered for sale is often sufficient to guarantee that no precautions against fraud of any kind are taken.

In the record of brands every letter of the alphabet is represented, and most letters are found in three or four positions. An exception is "O," which has but one shape, in any position, and therefore can be used only once. True there is the "O" flattened at the sides, but then it is called a mashed "O," a link or goose egg.

"N" is another letter that is not

susceptible of many positions, for horizontally it is "Z," "I" is another letter with a limited use. It is seldom seen except in combination with other character and it is usually called a bar.

"C" and "K" are examples of letters that are used in four positions. For example, an ordinary K makes one position. Turn it to an angle of 45 degrees and you have the "tumbling K"; on its back horizontally, the "lazy K," and reversed a fourth position. There are lazy and tumbling brands in all letters except O and I.

The letter is perhaps the oldest brand known in any cattle country, usually having its beginning in the initials of the owner. Finally all the letters but one are eliminated.

But when the cattle business becomes general and instead of 100 ranches there are thousands, new brands must be devised. The seeker for a brand naturally wants to get an insignia different from that of other ranchmen, else the brand would fail of its purpose. So in the latter days the letters were finally all taken up and the necessity of individual and unique brands has led to many a "strange device."

It is worth mentioning that ranches oftener take their names from their principal brand than from their owner. For example, we hear of the "Spur" ranch, the "Turkey Track" ranch, the "Tumbling K" or the "Lazy X." Every ranch has its principal brand, and some have many others. Ranch owners who trade extensively, have a number of insignias on record. Often the ranchman's sons and daughters have their special brands and the dedication of a new brand is not an unusual form of celebrating a birth on the ranch.

But back to peculiar brands. The owner has a pig pen, which just means a square with its sides extending to form the exterior angles. Crescents are common. Only one ranchman has a hatchet for a brand.

A bow and arrow gives name to one big Texas ranch. I. J. Kimberlin's ranch has a crutch on the hip and a coffee pot on the side. The coffee pot design is not so intricate as one might imagine, consisting of only eight lines.

Wine glasses are not uncommon as a brand and the J. W. Friend Cattle company, in Crockett county, has a gourd. A rocking chair is the brand of H. B. Opp in Sutton and Menard counties.

Lee Bros. have for their brand the graceful fleur de lis. Anchors are common, but only the John W. Franks ranch in the Osage reservation boasts of the Swastika.

A hash knife, a hat, the Masonic square, key, a turkey track, a bell, crossed walking sticks, an hour-glass, a tree, a boot, a slipper, a flag, an apple, a flower, ladders, rakes, spades, a fence, doll baby, a bottle, bridle bits, a frying pan, a pitchfork, and even a comet may be seen among the long list of brands.

A "scuple" indicates that the ranch owner was a druggist, before becoming a cattleman. Hearts, diamonds and clubs are found among the records of brands, but the spades are those of agricultural design.

The tendency is toward smaller brands. Branding causes cattle to lose in weight, and the larger the brand the greater the suffering of the cattle and the greater the loss of weight, so the old-time custom of great brands, covering the whole side of a cow, is passing away. Hides are more valuable today, also, and the big brands injure the leather.

Clyde Griffith came down from Marfa Tuesday night and remained until yesterday. He and Mrs. Griffith went back in their Buick car, which they purchased in San Antonio. Clyde is doing well at Marfa and his many Floresville friends were glad to see him. Floresville Chronical-Journal.

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MRS. J. W. McCUTCHEON PASSES AWAY

Although in a manner prepared for the news at any time, our intire county was shocked Monday evening on receipt of a message announcing the death of Mrs. J. W. McCutcheon, at La Grange, Texas.

She had been at death's door for several weeks, and was prepared to go, and reconciled to the fact that her days were numbered. The body was brought to Fort Davis and funeral services were held Thursday morning at the Presbyterian church, conducted by Rev. R. L. Irving, D. D., and Rev. J. E. Fuller. The remains were laid to rest in the City cemetery. The following acted as pallbearers: Active, L. D. Brown, Wade Reid, J. H. Clark, H. M. Jones, Frank Jones, Bob Coffey, Walter Bolden, J. W. McElroy and Frank Huelster.

Honorary: W. T. Jones, C. O. Finley, J. B. Gillett, J. W. Merrill, J. P. Weatherby, J. B. Davis, Charles Mulhern, James Stewart, Dr. W. T. Jones, S. L. Stone, W. L. Kingston, John Means, H. L. Kokernot, B. A. Johnson, W. S. Crow and Roy Reid. A party of 28 relatives and friends came out with the body to attend the funeral.

The Post joins the many friends in sympathy to the left behind.

Her Life.

A shadow of sadness and great loss was cast over the entire community, when the news came that Mrs. J. W. McCutcheon had passed away at La Grange, August 23, 1920. She was born at La Grange, December 2, 1870. She was the daughter of Captain T. G. Killough and Tabitha Moore Killough. Colonel J. H. Moore came to Texas from Tennessee and founded the town of La Grange in the Horseshoe bend of the Colorado river, under Monument bluff upon which are entombed the remains of the Mier prisoners and soldiers of Captain Nicholas Dawson.

In early girlhood Mrs. McCutcheon joined the Methodist church and she was always a consistent and devoted Christian.

She married Mr. J. W. McCutcheon in 1900, and came to live in Jeff Davis county. She was dearly loved by all the cowboys and the kind, motherly interest that she showed to all of them inspired them to be better and truer men.

Fidelity to a trust marked her life, and she lived a true mother, kind,

tender, affectionate and ever faithful to her duty.

With the certainty of death she heard the call clearly and answered with a readiness resulting from a Christian preparation.

While waiting for the door to open for her entrance she went over the details of her life work, and said: "Oh, how beautiful it is to prepare to go home with those you love around you caring for you."

Family love and attachment and consistent support of each other in all life's undertakings was a marked trait of Mrs. McCutcheon and her large family of brothers and sisters.

These are a few of the many virtues that make the light of her life ever shine as a guiding star to lead the way for those who love her memory here.

Beautiful twilight at set of sun,
Beautiful goal with race well run,
Beautiful rest with work well done.

Beautiful graves where grasses creep,
Where brown leaves fall, where drifts lie deep,
Over worn-out hands—oh beautiful sleep!—Fort Davis Post.

THE ROPING CONTEST

From the New Era, Friday Sept. 20th, 1899.

Yesterday afternoon the stockmen had a roping contest at Marfa and it was a lively one. At the time set for the contest a large crowd gathered at the stock pens. Many ladies could be seen in carriages and on the platform of Humphris & Co.'s warehouse. The following is a list of the entries, with the result of each man's trial:

- 1—Amos Kerr roped his steer first throw. Tied in 1:27.
- 2—John Chambers, his horse stumbled and the steer made for the railroad track. Rider gave up chase.
- 3—Tom Mitchell, roped his steer first throw, but could not throw him. On third attempt to throw the steer the rope broke.
- 4—Bob Ellison, got his steer first throw. Threw him down three times and got down off his horse once to tie him. Thrown and tied, 1:34.
- 5—Sam Moore, his steer was too fast and his horse too slow, and he never got there.
- 6—Berk Humphreys, threw his steer all right, but he could not hold him down long enough to tie.
- 7—George Howard, caught his

steer by one horn and ran clean around the toekpens. He threw him down, but the steer would get up before he could get to him.

8—M. Barker, threw his steer three times. On the second throw he would have evidently succeeded in tying him, but several of the boys rode up and scared the steer and he got up. However he tied him on third throw in 1:54.

9—Pomp James, got his steer on first throw. Time 1:22.

10—Bill Cleveland had to throw his steer several times and had hard luck in tying him. Time, 1:35.

11—Arthur Mitchell, got his steer on the ground very quickly but used too much time in tying him. Time, 1:30.

12—Louis Adams, fell a little be-

hind the average, but he tied his steer in 2:31.

13—Freight Barker, last but not least, tied his steer in exactly 95 seconds.

The first prize, a fine \$45 saddle, was awarded to F. Barker; second prize, a side saddle, went to Pomp James. Third prize, \$6.25, given to Amus Kerr.

After the roping was over Bob Shugart and Dred Sobbs appeared on the scene on horseback dressed up as clowns, and got a steer or two in "no time."

County Clerk W. Q. McCracken and family returned last Saturday from a pleasant several weeks' visit to Marfa.—Floresville Chronical-Journal.

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SEE A BIG FUTURE FOR MEADE COTTON

But Federal Experts Fear Injury to Reputation of Promising Variety.

Washington, D. C., Aug. 30.—Reports that several hundred acres of Meade cotton are being grown in Arkansas and Texas, and more than 2,000 acres in Hayti, this year have caused cotton specialists of the Bureau of Plant Industry, United States Department of Agriculture, to express some concern over the effect this may have upon their effort to bring Meade cotton to the front in Georgia as an upland long staple variety. There is no reason to expect that a variety of the special character of the Meade cotton can be grown to advantage in all parts of the cotton belt.

Meade cotton, developed by the Bureau of Plant Industry, is now replacing the Sea Island cotton in Georgia and South Carolina. It is earlier and more productive than the Sea Island cotton in the presence of the boll weevil, and produces fiber of the length and quality of Sea Island, so that the advantage to the farmer is great. The attention that Meade cotton has attracted in Georgia has led, however, to efforts being made to introduce this variety into many other districts, in advance of any recommendation by the department.

An essential requirement for the production of good long staple fiber is that the plants shall not be checked by draught, which makes the fiber weak and irregular, and renders the crop difficult to pick, because the bolls are withered and split prematurely and do not open to the full extent of those that are normally developed.

An important advantage of Meade cotton in the Sea Island districts, but a disadvantage in other parts of the cotton belt, is that this variety is better adapted to roller ginning, on account of the seeds being only slightly fuzzy, like the Sea Island cotton. Though good prices have been secured in some cases for saw-ginned Meade, there have also been complaints that such fiber is badly gin-cut, which is likely to injure the commercial standing of the variety unless the need of roller ginning is clearly understood by farmers, the buyers and the manufacturers.

It has been the aim of the friends of Meade cotton to keep the product on as high a grade as possible, and it has been selling on the market for prices equal to those paid for Sea Island of the same grade. It is already being produced in considerable quantities and is the nearest approach to Sea Island—now practically eliminated by the boll weevil's invasion—in length and fineness of fiber. Tests of the strength and spinning qualities of the fiber have given favorable results, so that the possibility of substituting this type of cotton for corresponding lengths of Sea Island is definitely indicated.

Meade produces earlier than Sea Island, and develops bolls nearly twice as large. A heavier crop can be set in a short period of time, and the fiber matures in advance of Sea Island—all tending to avoid damage by boll weevil. Even when a large proportion of the buds or young bolls are shed as a result of severe weevil injury or other unfavorable conditions, the Meade rows often yield two or three times as much as the Sea Island. At present there are about 5,000 acres planted in Meade in Georgia and South Carolina, about 2,000 acres being especially guarded as the basis of a supply of pure seed.

HIGHWAY TWELVE TO BE IMPROVED

Austin, Texas, Aug. 31.—Rollen J. Windrow, state highway engineer, left tonight for Del Rio and points in Val Verde county in the interest of a bridge across the Pecos river to make Highway No. 12 the short route to El Paso. Val Verde county has voted a large bond issue and state and federal aid has been granted the county by the State Highway commission and Mr. Windrow says bridges are to be erected across Devil's river and the Pecos.

At this time tourists bound for the west are forced to detour from Del Rio up to Ozona and via Fort Stockton and Fort Davis to get to El Paso, a loss of more than 150 miles. Mr. Windrow says when the Pecos is bridged Highway No. 12 will have a direct line to El Paso. It enters Del Rio from Laredo and Eagle Pass and is joined by No. 4 from San Antonio.

According to Mr. Windrow, the bridge is to be placed near the mouth of the Pecos, and the wagon bridge will not require extensive or expensive construction. The topography is better adapted to economical bridge work.

Mr. Windrow says when the bridge is completed Highway No. 12 will be one of the scenic beauties of the

THE SPINSTERS RETURN

Interesting Display of Ancient Costumes Seen Upon the Stage at the Opera House.

It is not frequent that one sees upon an amateur stage more unique and interesting costumes than those displayed by the Marfa spinsters on Tuesday evening.

It would seem that oaken chests of heirlooms had been opened and the siken folds of aged elegance once more shaken into freshness to adorn twentieth century maids grand daughters of its own days. Five wedding gowns of as many periods of fashion lent no small interest to the costuming, and poke bonnets still make as beautiful frames for feminine faces as in grandmothers' time.

Miss Brent Nicolls was elegantly gowned in a champagne epepe de chine, with trimmings of embroidered silk—the wedding dress of Mrs. H. M. Fennell. To obtain the much desired appearance of old style, the skirt was caught up into a polonaise effect and worn over a silk drop skirt.

Mrs. Chastain wore her wedding dress of blue silk with trimmings of lace and self-made bows.

Mrs. Roberts appeared in her wedding gown of gray silk henrietta, elaborately lace trimmed, and made in the prevailing basque and overskirt style of twenty-three years ago.

Mrs. W. Q. McCracken's costume was the wedding dress of Mrs. Kilgore, mother of Mrs. J. P. Shields, just as it was worn by the bride of twenty-five years past. It is a one-piece suit of heavy white henrietta cloth draped with brocade silk slightly entrain and not so very unlike the present day princess.

Mrs. Charles Grosson wore the oldest of the wedding garments, it being the bridal dress of Mrs. N. P. Barclay's mother, who was married in Bowling Green, Ky., nearly sixty years ago. It is made of heavy white silk and fine old laces, low neck and short sleeves, the very pointed basque and most voluminous skirt. That it is made entirely by hand, and is so perfectly preserved adds an additional interest.

Mrs. Maquer converted a dark blue silk of ten years ago into a very old fashioned effect by the addition of panniers and laces.

Mrs. R. S. McCracken was strikingly attired in an old hand-made green striped grenadine, which originally belonged to the mother of Mrs. W. Q. McCracken.

The oldest dress was worn by Miss Josie Kane and is the rare possession of Miss Leverett. It dates back to 1836—the days of Andrew Jackson. It was originally worn by an ancestor of Miss Leverett, and was sent to its present owner from Boston. It is of cross-barred organza with delicate lilac sprays against a background of brown and fashioned with a very short basque and most voluminous skirt. The waist is worn with a tippet of velvet and silk, trimmed with long silk fringe. Of course every seam and hem was stitched with the fingers.

Space forbids that dresses designed specially for this occasion be noticed in detail, but the costumes and bonnets of the pretty Irish maid in green and poke, the wife of "poor Lo," the fascinating secretary, the president, a past-mistress in election usages, all attest that feminine fingers have lost no deftness in fashioning as wonderful creations as were ever designed in the days of yore.—New Era, March, 1910.

Mrs. Barclay's mother — Mrs. Rootes—referred to in above described article, is now living in Marfa, aged nearly 89 years.

Gentry Brothers' famous shows and wild animal arena, which will exhibit in Marfa on Tuesday, Sept. 7, are presenting a patriotic spectacle as the opening number of this year's all new performance. Nearly 100 of the ponies take part in the picture which represents the allied nations. At a command from the trainer they march in different directions, each one bedecked with flags of the nation they represent and the entire moving panorama of horses form one of the most stirring events in the program. This spectacle is the result of the trainers' efforts of the past year and is pronounced the biggest and best animal display ever seen. Many new acts and features have been added to Gentry Brothers' shows this year, including a complete wild animal arena.

state, that the road enters the Pecos canyon away above the proposed bridge and follows the meanderings of the canyon to the crossing point. He says it is a rugged wonder and sublime to lovers of scenery.

SECRETARY MEREDITH FIXES CHICAGO COMMISSION RATES

Evokes Powers Under Food Control Act to Correct Discrimination.—Effective Aug. 16.

Declaring unfair certain rates charged by Chicago commission men on co-operative shipments of livestock, Secretary of Agriculture Meredith has evoked the powers of the food control act to fix other rates. The order, which became effective Aug. 16, was taken as a result of a hearing held in Chicago April 12 and 13, at which seven commission firms operating under federal licenses appeared to answer to a complaint filed with the department by the American Society of Equity.

In its complaint the society charged that as a result of action by the Chicago livestock exchange members were required to charge a different and higher rate on livestock in car lots having more than one owner. The difference between the rates for single and plural ownership, it was complained, was unreasonable and discriminatory in that it was laid for the purpose of discouraging co-operative marketing of livestock by farm organizations.

Secretary Meredith's action was in the form of a notice to the commission men that the present rates must be discontinued and that the following schedule of rates would be allowed for car lots having more than one owner in addition to the rate for a car lot having a single owner:

For more than 1 and not more than 10 owners, \$2.

For more than 10 but not more than 20 owners, \$3.

For more than 20 owners, \$3.50; provided that in no case shall any one owner of such car lot pay a higher rate than the maximum charge for a car having a single owner.

The order, it was pointed out, is not directed at the Chicago livestock exchange, but at the commission firms themselves, because being under federal license they are subject to regulation under the food control act which is still in force. President Wilson, by proclamation, June 18, 1918, required commission men to take out federal licenses and later prescribed regulations for conducting their businesses. These licenses and regulations are still in force, it is said.

"I find," Secretary Meredith said in his order, "that the difference in the commission rates charged for selling a single ownership car and a plural ownership car, I find that you have been following a schedule of commission rates which permits, and that you have been exacting, a minimum charge of \$7 in the case of cattle and calves, \$5 in the case of hogs, and .6 in the case of sheep and goats, more for a car lot of livestock having more than one owner than for a like car of livestock having a single owner, and that the amount of the charge is determined by the number of livestock in the car rather than by the number of owners. I find that both these charges and the method of determining the amount of the same are unjust, unreasonable, discriminatory, and unfair."

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I thought I was. When this statement was called in question by me the contended that she was correct, giving as the year of my birth 1871. Upon investigation, I found, to my surprise, she was correct.

"In regard to my age as stated in my poll tax receipt for the year 1919, I desire to say that was an unintentional and harmless error on my part.

"On some of my campaign cards my age was given as 47 years. The cards that contained that statement were the first ones I had printed. I have in my possession a sworn statement from the printer who made them that these cards were printed in August, 1919, which was before by 48th birthday and therefore correctly give my age as 47.

Didn't Read Application.

"As to the sworn application to have my name placed upon the official ballot, this application was drawn up by my secretary and he tells me that he placed my age in this application as 47 because he had seen this age stated on the campaign cards above referred to. At the time this application was drawn up, I was busy carrying on my speaking campaign and was at my office only one day in the week. I did not ever read the application. Of course, I should have read the application very carefully before signing it, but as the form was prescribed by statute and as I had implicit confidence in my secretary, I did not examine the application at all. I know I should have done so, but the truth is, I did not.

"I make this statement and hand it to the press without regard to what the fickle wheel of fortune may hold in store for me as the returns come in."

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