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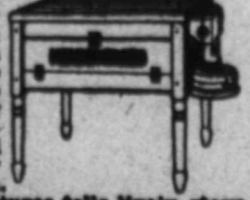
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**Panhandle Live Stock Association
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"TRANSPORTATION" BY L. A. ALLEN, OF
KANSAS CITY, MO.

I have taken considerable interest in railroad transportation of live stock on account of the very bad service the roads have been giving shippers. Before my address on "Railroad Discrimination against Live Stock Shippers" at the meeting of the National Live Stock Association at Portland, Oregon, it was fresh in my memory of the failure of all railroads in the West to furnish cars and motive power for stock shipments, and when they did so they only ran them on an average of 6 to 8 miles per hour from shipping point to market, and then often letting stock lie on side tracks for hours at a time, causing shipments to arrive on the market at all times of day and night and many times at the latter end of the week when there was no market, which caused the damage claims that commission houses and owners were compelled to put in against the railroads. Also there seemed to be concerted action on the part of all the roads to make tonnage paramount, therefore one could get no better service on one road than on any other.

Therefore I felt it my duty to make the address I did at the Portland meeting, especially when the officers of that Association urged me to do so. I mailed copies of that address to all State Boards of Railroad Commissioners, to the Secretary of Agriculture, to the Inter-State Commerce Commission, to the Secretary of Commerce and Labor, and to many senators and congressmen in Washington. I particularly urged the Congressman (Mr. Cowherd) from the Kansas City district to introduce a resolution in Congress asking that body to appoint a committee to investigate the bad service the railroads of the West were giving live stock shippers. He did so, and that resolution is now pigeon holed by the Chairman of the Committee, he not caring to have his committee make a favorable report on it to the House. Mr. Cowherd has informed me that the chairman of that committee has told him that it was a matter that should come before the Inter-State Commerce Commission. That Commission has been importuned to take hold of matter, but we find that the law creating the Inter-State Commerce Commission gives it inquiring authority and no power to pass and enforce judgment, which looks as it is a worthless piece of machinery so far as it is able to protect the shipping rights of the people.

The Iowa state Legislature being in session this winter. I sent a copy of my Portland address to a member. He prepared and introduced a bill in the House making it obligatory for the railroads of Iowa to furnish stock cars on demand, and when loaded to run them at an average speed of 20 miles per hour, and the company to furnish free transportation to the owner or his representative with the stock, and return on passenger trains. This bill passed almost unanimously.

If the railroad do not give better service in other states, then the Iowa plan of compelling them to do so will have to be taken up by all the state legislatures next winter.

Transportation problem has always been one of the most important questions that has confronted the people since the beginning of the world. It has been recognized in all ages as the most necessary factor in the development of nations, and in moulding the characteristics of the people. Nations have become great and powerful in proportion to their means of transportation.

The question has become vital in our time owing to the great spread of people in sections hitherto deemed inaccessible, and the variety of their wants. However, the ancients grappled with the question and found an easier solution than the supposed-to-be trained manipulators of our time.

History reveals to us that man in his paths, trails and roadways, by which there was an easy communication between tribes and villages in their exchange of commodities. We do not learn of their mediums of travel being blocked, or at any time being in such a condition that they could not travel on schedule time from one place to another.

The old time canal builders so constructed their waterways that one boat could pass another going in the opposite direction without hindrance to either. Thus each could make scheduled time to its destination. The Romans built roads to all parts of the then known world in order to make transportation easy. The marine laws of one hundred or more years ago compelled ships of each line to double their ocean ways to prevent collision, and to insure rapid sailing in order that ports might be made on schedule time. The laws of states and of our national government in the early days of steamboating defined the boating channels in all navigable rivers, and made it obligatory upon the ascending boat to give the descending one the right of channel for a few minutes while passing. This in order that neither could be delayed in making its up or down landing in

schedule time.

The old traders and freighters across the plains from the Missouri River to the mountains and Mexico laid out the famous Santa Fe Trail, and when it was crowded with wagons and droves of stock, two trails were made side by side in order that those going in opposite direction might pass without. The wagon trains were scheduled to make the round trip from the Missouri River to Santa Fe in three months, and they made it. The wagon master who delayed or failed to have his wagons arrive on time was discouraged. The overland stage coaches made their trips on schedule time. At one time the trails across the great plains were staked by out-going travellers that they might return by the same way without being sidetracked. The boss trail driver of the big beef herds from Texas to Kansas and the North never failed to deliver his herd on time, although he had to fight Indians, swim rivers and face storms night and day.

Up to the time of constructing the modern railway the methods of transportation were kept open for the free undisturbed travel from one section to another. It was the means of building great commercial centers and prosperous communities along the routes. Travel, trade, and trade, were the three great elements that caused civilization to spread.

What have the modern railways done to better the condition of the people of this great country? I will say that they have done wonders. Of course, they were backed by the people. They have done more than all other agencies in helping to develop the resources of this country. They have enabled the people to travel, to mingle with each other, and do many things which have added to their betterment.

On the other hand, what have the people done for the railways? In the first place they have given the railways the right to organize and enlist capital for the construction of the lines. Then they give liberal charters and franchises under which to operate them. The people were also liberal in donating right-of-way and in voting aid in the form of municipal county and township bonds, in many instances enough in value to construct the roads. And the government granted them immense bodies of land to further aid them in constructing their roads. This was done on the supposition that the managements of these roads would construct and equip them at the actual cost, and that the charge for transporting all commodities would be reasonable and at the same time yield a fair per cent on the cost of construction and equip-

ment.

This plan worked well for several years after the roads were built. The people settled the country and engaged in various occupations, feeling confident that they had good transportation facilities to the markets for their surplus products.

While this was going on, the railroad companies were putting heavy mortgages on the road and issuing stock certificates much above the actual value of their property. Then in order to pay dividends on these stocks and bonds, the freight rates were raised, and equipment allowed to run down to extent of not being able to handle the business offered them.

Some three or four years ago a new idea, borrowed from the double-tracked Eastern roads, struck the heads of the Western lines. This was the hauling of heavier trains with more tonnage at supposed-to-be less proportionate expense. The idea spread to all the roads regardless of the class of freight to be transported. Just how that scheme has succeeded is well known, not only to live stock shippers, but to all classes of business men throughout the country. It has resulted in restraining trade, thereby injuring the growth and prosperity of the country, which reacts on the transporting roads themselves. This vast country from the Missouri River to beyond the mountains, and from the Gulf to Canada is largely dependent upon the live stock industry. When it is prosperous, so are all other lines of business, including the railroad companies.

For the last two years stockmen claim, and justly so, that they have virtually paid two freights on their shipments; one direct to the transporting company, and the other in extra shrinkage and damage to their stock caused by the slow time made en route and the rough handling of the long trains on which they were compelled to ship. This extra loss deprived them of a large per cent of their profit, which in turn caused them to curtail their expenditures, and this has injured the general business of the country. We are told that this policy of making tonnage paramount emanated from the executive boards of these roads, who have their offices in the East. It was an imitation of the manner in which freight is carried over the old Eastern, double-tracked, dead-freight carrying roads. In carrying out this policy schedules were shattered, and all freight trains run by train dispatchers, who probably did the best they could in having those heavy trains dodging one another and lying on side-tracks, often for many hours at a time, which caused loss and dam-

age to live stock shipper.

We find that the head officials of the Western lines are not in touch or sympathy with the vast producing public and business interests of the West who give the roads practical all the business they get. The policy of the roads is dictatorial from the standpoint of the head railroad official who thinks he is causing the greatest amount of revenue to flow into the coffers of his company, which he believes will enable him to pay dividends on his over-bonded and over-stocked road. In the meantime the business interests of the country suffer, but what matters it to him if the road bed and equipment are worn out, for he may be in that position for only a short time, and when he retires his successor may work out his own salvation.

Formerly when the policy of management was in the hands of practical railroad men with headquarters somewhere on the line, they were in touch with and in sympathy with the general welfare and prosperity of the people on whom they relied for business. Friendly relation existed between officials and shippers. If there were complaints, they were immediately adjusted. The railroad men of the traffic and operating departments worked in harmony; we are told now there is friction among them. Formerly one could put in an order for cars with any traffic man and the operating department would promptly fill the order. Can that be said now? And can a shipper get the railroad men to properly explain why they cannot do business as they formerly did that is, furnish cars promptly, and when loaded, run them on schedule time and with a due regard for the rights of the shipper and for the class of freight transported.

We believe the fault for the lack of proper consideration lies with the head management of these Western roads, and not with the local officials. Indirectly they promise better service, but we have no official assurance, we can only guess at the future by the past. We now ask for official assurance.

We say to the railroad companies, Treat all shippers right, and particularly, handle live stock shipments as perishable property, and in accordance with humane laws, and there will be no further complaint.

Hundreds of thousands of people have come into this vast country lying West of the Missouri River in order to develop its various resources, and many have been the hardships and deprivations they have endured, all the time hoping for the better. Therefore it seems strange, after all they have done for the transportation companies that now they have to make these complaints of bad service which seriously injure the people. The controlling spirits have acted, so it would appear, as if they did not give a continental whether the live stock shipper liked the service or not. It is currently reported they have said they did not care for live stock shipments, but preferred to haul other commodities which paid more freight. If that is true, God help the consumers of such, many of which are live stock producers.

In regard to the railroad companies not furnishing free transportation for

the owner of live stock or his representative, the roads should do it, for the reason that the shipper takes good care of the stock while en route, which lessens the liability of loss and damage. While doing so, he is practically the agent of the company. The law requires that when common carriers receive shipments of any character in good condition they must deliver them in good condition. The shippers help do that without charge to the company; therefore, he should be given free transportation, not only with stock but returning to the place from which it was shipped. This is simple justice. There is no trouble in throwing safe-guards around the proper use of such free transportation for the actual shipper or his representative. It must also be considered that the West is still in a state of development, and a little free transportation to those who are paying the freight and doing the development won't hurt the railroad companies.

In regard to the shortage of cars the railroad companies are at fault in bringing about such a condition. They control the situation, and should be prepared in advance to promptly move all shipments offered them. This is what they contracted to do when they received their charters, and it is surely what they promised when they got their land grants and right-of-ways, and induced the people to vote them bonds to aid in construction.

Some of the officials say they could not afford to keep on hand enough cars to move the rush of stock for part of the year, and then have them lie idle for the remainder. They don't seem to understand that conditions have changed and practically the same amount of stock is now moved each month of the year. Besides we know that stock cars are used for hauling many other kinds of freight at all times of the year. We have found that they were being used extensively in hauling dead freight when the demand was greatest for live stock.

The people on whom the transportation companies depend for business should not be compelled to make the complaints they have in the past two years. It shows lack of consideration for them and their business on the part of the head officials. This calls to mind the question, "Are the railroad companies serving the people better proportionately than the old methods of fifty or a hundred years? Are the railroad magnates abreast of the times, and whither are we drifting?"

It is largely within the power of the transportation companies to assist the people in the up building of the great Western country. Without their mutual and friendly co-operation, business of all kinds will decline and the roads will eventually be heavy losers. The shippers have told them that they will not stand in the future the bad service they have been receiving in the past.

Formerly shippers of live stock were able to take advantage of favorable markets because prompt service was rendered them by the railroads. But during the past two years, because of the inability to get stock cars when ordered, and because of the delays in moving stock trains, shippers have not been able to market their live

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The Texas and Pacific people have lately put into effect the new idea of furnishing cars only from one point to another on their own line and charging local rates. In other words, they will not contract shipments to go beyond their own line. How satisfactory this will prove to cattle shippers who want to send their cattle to other parts of the country and to other roads, I do not know; it is a new feature in railroading. I am told it was brought about by the heavy damage claims that were brought against them. We did not hear much of heavy damage claims prior to the introduction of the heavy tonnage proposition which has caused the delays and damage.

I do know that great complaint is brought against the Colorado Southern and Fort Worth & Denver roads because they will not furnish cars when ordered and the motive power to move live stock to market when wanted. I am told that they depend on connecting lines to furnish the cars, and when other lines do so, these two roads want the line's share of the freight for having originated the shipment on their lines, regardless of the greater distance the connecting line has to haul the stock to market. For that reason the connecting line do not want to, and often will not furnish cars. This puts the shippers along that line in a bad predicament. There is a railroad passing him, but he cannot ship his live stock. Wrongs like this should be righted or the people should know the reason why.

In regard to the present condition of the cattle market, it is some lower than last year, but there is no occasion for anyone to sacrifice his cattle. The ups and downs go with the trade. When prices are up, we are liable to become too gleeful, and when down, get too sad. We should govern our business by the law of general averages. We would not know that sugar was sweet unless we had tasted pickles. The future will not be as bad as some picture it; there are still lots of hungry people who want what you are producing.

I am glad to be able to make an address to the Panhandle Live Stock Association of which I am a member, in the Queen City of the plains. It reminds me of years gone by.

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The Printer's 23rd Psalm.

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I will make him lie down his work and do mine when I get ready to have it done: I will lead him a merry chase to collect his pay.

He must restore my money tenfold for the goods which I sell him. He shall lead many customers to my place of business for my patronage sake.

Yea, though I maketh him run after my work until he weareth out his shoes, I will send it to Mr. Bump-Printer if he taketh it not at the price I fixeth for him.

He preparet a nice job for me and I maketh him change it forty times in the presence of my customers: I anointest his head with blasphemy: his madness runneth over.

Surely I show him goodness and and mercy and he shall follow me all the days of his life and I shall dwell in the land of plenty forever.

Kept the Rains Off.

Cardiff Times:

A business man who knew more about driving trades and bargains than he did about driving horses took his wife driving, but before he started inquired of the liveryman:

"Is this horse perfectly safe?"
"Perfectly," answered the liveryman, "unless you allow his tail to be mixed up with the reins."

The city man hesitated to start, but was encouraged to proceed by the assurance: "If you just keep the rein away from his tail he will be all right."

As he returned the team in the evening the liveryman said: "Well, I see you have no trouble."

"Oh, no," said the man. "We had only one shower while we were out, and my wife held her umbrella over his tail while that lasted."

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Much has been said about the rapid growth of Woodward county in its transition from a great cattle range to a community of good farm homes but little notice has been taken of the substantial growth of the town of Woodward. The assessor's returns show a valuation of \$438,060.00—an increase of 15.5% over last year. A similar increase for next year will show a half million dollars assessed valuation for our quiet little city.

As Others See Us.

He walked in jauntily and after looking carefully around whispered, "I'm a tender foot as you call 'em, out here. At home my health was not good so I'm here to rest and recuperate." By dint of questioning we learned that his young life was hanging in the balance and nothing but Oklahoma sunshine could help him back to strength. And this is the way he viewed Woodward and western life:

"Woodward, by day, is a place of acting. In whatever direction you may look or part of the town you may be you see the same thing—bustling. The very air seems alive with the "hustle germ." By night Woodward is just the opposite. A calm seems to settle over the town—the calm that precedes the rush of the morrow. When the chickens roost, rests. When the cock crows in the morning the town awakes again.

This is the the first impression that an Easterner gets of Woodward. It may or may not be correct, first impressions often being faulty.

My first view of Woodward was by night. I came in on the combination freight and passenger from Wellington, Kan. Thoroughly tired from an 8-hour ride at a little better than prairie schooner speed, one is not in the best spirits as he is bundled into the hack and hauled to one of the hotels.

"Its two-bits up-town and return or 15 cents one way" said the hack driver as he took my grips at the station. I got a return check as I wanted to leave on the early morning passenger thereby making certain of safely landing at the depot again. A tender foot who has been "loaded" to the handle by solicitous Eastern friends, fears to trust to pedestrians in a western town of which he knows naught. Especially is this true when he is not up on dodging 6 shooter products. Strange as it may seem the average Easterner's view of the West is absurd as that of the native of New York who thinks that the portion of the United States not on Manhattan Island worth but little more than a couple of worn out street car horses. The Easterner reads magazine stories about the gun play in western towns and accepts them as literally true. He comes west expecting to find men with broad rimmed hats and big pistols on their hips. He sees the former but not the latter, and then he laughs to think how "Reubenish" his ideas of the West really were. He finds before he is west a great while that Westerners do not have time to shoot holes through the hats and the heels off the shoes of tenderfeet. They have too much business. And the Easterner generally learns this after he has been beautifully burned by a Westerner, that is skinned in some legitimate transaction. And when this happens and most likely every Easterner could testify to it from experience, the shorn lamb does not yet sore. Rather he bides his time and later skins his skinner or else imitates some newcomer from the east. In other words he soon adopts Western methods and customs.

In reference to this skinning game it might be remarked that it is also

played in the East. But the methods there are much slower. Then too when an Easterner does an Easterner he is done with him for all time. With the Westerner it seems different. He seems as much your friend after he has flinched you as before. The Eastern lion says to the Eastern lamb "You may now go to h—l." The Westerner quote from the Ironquill "Who openeth a jick pot doeth not always rake it down" and invites the lamb to play another day when he has learned the ropes and the terms are equal. The Westerner is big hearted, the Easterner is heartless of course there are exceptions but this seems to be the status speaking generally.

To return to my story the cabbie dropped me at a hotel on the main business street of Woodward. The supper gong sounded just as I finished cleansing my face of train dirt. As before stated I was tired and generally out of sorts. But I shall not kick about the supper. I shall take the contrary view for never did hotel fare taste better. Not only was there a pleasing variety of dishes but the manner in which they were prepared convinced that the chef was earning his or her wages. A good meal puts a fellow in good spirits and so armed I started out to do the town.

I left the hotel looking for some kind of excitement. I walked up one side of the street and then the other and found not the object of my quest. I saw no shooting, heard no cussing. In fact it was so quiet that even a coyote would not have been disturbed. And this too, in the county seat of the Empire county of the "land of gun play and cuss words." Woodward is a dead town, I said to my self as I walked back to the hotel disappointed.

In the hotel lobby I met a cowpuncher, a veteran of the time when Woodward was a "cow town." He had no gun at least I could see none. His speech was like that of any other good user of English. I pumped him and he told me tales that put the kibosh on any short story I had every read.

There were guns at plenty in Woodward years ago. Then you could go behind the bars in any of the saloons and see a whole armful of guns that punchers had temporarily discarded during their stay in town, he said, and every once in a while there was use for them too and then then the corner had a job. And I doubted not that my entertainer could still handle a gun if the occasion demanded it.

About midnight the city marshal dropped into the hotel lobby. Personal questions seemed to bore him so we talked about dogs. The marshal had a fine dog with him. We talked about this dog and dogs in general. But not long; the marshal made his visit short. He had to look after the town and this it seemed he could not do well by chatting several hours with a tenderfoot. Therein Woodward's marshal differed widely from many eastern officers. I have known several of the latter who would waste more than one hour of their night work beside some friendly stove. Woodward's guardian of the peace did not impress one as being a shirker. He seemed to be like the average Woodwardite, up

and doing.

Two months later I saw Woodward by day. The town presented a different sight then. It no longer seemed dead. It was alive with business. It was surprising to see the number of people who come to town during the day to trade. An eastern town of quadruple Woodward's size would not have presented as much activity.

The Free-Seed Fraud.

The newspapers, both agricultural and otherwise, continue to fire shot into the free seed distribution humbug but it does no good. The abuse proceeds with the stereotyped regularity of the circus cavalcade and shows how difficult it is to reform a vicious custom when once it gets a firm hold. Originally there was some reason for this distribution, but though the reason has long since passed away the custom remains. In the earlier years when agriculture was rude, and intercommunication difficult, many isolated farmers found it impossible to procure necessary seed. The government was desirous of testing new varieties and had no other means of doing so than by letting the farmer experiment. Little, if any, good ever came from this crude conception, as few farmers were able to do any scientific testing, and such as did neglected to make reports. Now the government has its own experiment stations with special farms conducted by trained observers at great expense, and by means of bulletins farmers and newspapers are furnished with the latest scientific results in every department of agriculture. All seed may be bought in market much cheaper than the government can buy and distribute. The recipient of the seeds sent out every spring never thinks of reporting on results, as was the original intention, and if he did no attention would be paid to his procedure. It would be a sheer loss of time to handle reports sent in by isolated farmers without the training or gift for accurate observation. It is estimated that 40,000,000 packages of free seeds were sent out this spring, occupying the time and labor of innumerable clerks, secretaries, postal people, and others, not to speak of the Congressmen themselves. The Secretary of Agriculture has tried in vain to stop the fool custom with its wicked waste and the whole army of farmers should rise up and demand its cessation.—American Farmer.

My Neighbor's Pup.

Mail and Breeze.

What yelps and whines from morn till night,
And seems to ne'er a minute slight,
From then until it's broad daylight?
My neighbor's pup.

What takes my gum shoes from the door
And though I search the whole place o'er
I never, never see them more?
My neighbor's pup.

What pulls from ground the garden truck,
And 'neath my vines old bones will tuck,
And make the hens all loudly cluck?
My neighbor's pup.

What drags the clothes from off the line,

And spoils the best ones every time,
And for its gore I daily pine?
My neighbor's pup.

What dodges every stone I throw,
And turns and looks at me as though
He wondered could I be his foe?
My neighbor's pup.

What looks at me with wistful eyes
As if to win my love he tries,
And somehow then my anger dies?
My neighbor's pup.

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COMFORT AT THE WORLD'S FAIR.

The comfort for the visitor to an exposition was never the subject for so much intelligent thought and preparation as it has been at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition at St. Louis.

One of the features that cannot fail to appeal to the visitor is the convenience and comfort afforded by the Inside Inn, a structure of 2,257 rooms covering an area of 400 by 800 feet, wholly within the World's Fair grounds.

Probably no hotel ever built commands a view so diversified or grand. From the wide verandas that surround the mammoth structure a wonderful panorama spreads before one. Many of the state buildings, with their giant and magnificent structures, present their most attractive facades. Some of the foreign buildings may be seen, and the forest of towers and turrets, domes and minarets, rising above the great exhibit palaces and seen through the forests of real trees that surround the hostelry, give token of the other glories that lie beyond.

A leisurely walk of five minutes will land the visitor on the main terrace in front of Festive Hall, the center of the "main picture" of the Exposition, the grandest spectacle ever produced by man. Another five minutes' walk and the visitor may find himself on the The Pike, a street of amusement, a full mile long, with the shows of all nations in gay and enticing array.

In the ten minutes' walk many of the main exhibit palaces have been passed. These comprise the largest and grandest collection of architectural triumphs ever assembled in any one place. Notwithstanding its close proximity to these scenes of gaiety and splendor, noise and confusion, the Inside Inn offers a delightful retreat. During the noon hour the visitor may retire for a brief rest and resume his delightful task of sight-seeing refreshed and all the more able to appreciate and enjoy the World's Fair wonders.

The rates at this hotel within the grounds are no higher than those charged elsewhere. A good room may be had for \$1.50 per day, including admission to the grounds. Other rooms may be had up to \$5.00 per day, according to the luxuries demanded. There is a restaurant in the building with a seating capacity for 2,500 persons.

Santa Fe officials held a business meeting at Mutual Saturday.

Herefords in the South.

"The peculiar adaptability of Hereford cattle to the south has long since been recognized by experts in the line of bovine improvement.

"Kentucky has numerous fine herds, including the grand champion bull at the 1902 International Live Stock Exposition, 'Britisher.'

"Prof. Andrew M. Soule, of the Tennessee Agricultural Experiment Station, has demonstrated how great a part the Hereford can play in the upbuilding of 'Beef Breeds in the Middle South.'

"Dr. Geo. E. Nesom, state veterinarian, of South Carolina, testifies to the popularity of the 'white faces' in that region, and has some remarkably fine specimens, both home grown and northern raise, in the Clemson College herd.

"Practical Chicago stockmen are demonstrating the profit and pleasure there is in grading up Texas as well as piney woods heifers with Hereford bulls in the cheap lands of western Alabama.

"The famous Hereford man T. L. Miller, spent the latter part of his active and wonderful life in showing that Hereford cattle thrive and prosper in the winterless climate of western Florida, and if he had been permitted to live a few years longer, good judges feel sure that the name of DeFuniak Springs would have had more than a national reputation on account of the great herd he was building up there.

"Dale, the highest-priced Hereford bull ever sold at auction, was sold out of an Indiana herd to an Illinois man; also Dale's famous son Perfection, is owned in Illinois and Perfection Yet (134,616) a son of Perfection, sold as a calf for \$1,300, and heads the herd owned by M. E. McGuire, at Carbondale, Ill. These facts speak volumes for what the Herefords do in the some of the finest herds of the breed have been grown.

"The records of the great Smithfield show and market in London indicate the top notch esteem in which these cattle are held in the land of their origin.

"The thick, but mellow hides and heavy coats of hair make the Herefords especially hardy where the southern tick has not yet been eradicated.

"Secretary Chas. R. Thomas, of the American Hereford Cattle Breeders' Association, recently returned from an extended trip through the south, where ticks were unusually prevalent, and says: 'From a number of the largest ranch owners I learned that the Herefords stood the test admirably and were prime favorites.'

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"When Texas bred and Texas raised Herefords can be sent to northern and eastern feed lots and fitted so as to win first honors at the International Live Stock Exposition in ear load lots and when it is uncommon

thing for southern bred Herefords to top the Chicago market on several days of the same week, there can be no room to doubt the wonderful adaptability of 'white face' cattle for farmers and feeders in southern Illinois, Arkansas, Indian Territory, and, in fact, throughout our entire progressive and resourceful southland." -Chicago Live Stock World.

The High School Medal Contest.

The contest between pupils of the high school on last Wednesday evening was successful in every manner. As "aids and interludes" the program contained musical selections by Pearl Kendall, Lela Thompson, Stella Geismar, Earl B. Workman, Mrs. C. Sharp, Mrs. A. M. Appelget and Miss Ella Ethel Beegle, and vocal solos by Miss Cora Beardslee and Frank W. Hardy which in themselves formed a delightful evenings' entertainment.

The contestants, six in number were Misses Berta Lee Hudson, Goldie Goodell, Edna Flickenger, Cecil Roll, Ellen Little and Hettie Wood. Every one did exceptionally well and the score cards of the Judges balanced so evenly that the medal winner, Miss Cecil Roll was chosen after very close comparison.

Woodward has cause to be proud of the talent shown by each and every one of the contestants.

Credit is due the First National Bank and its enterprising Cashier L. L. Stine that the handsome \$20 gold medal was offered as an incentive to develop the best talent in the schools on this occasion.

A Rare Bird.

ED. WOODWARD NEWS:

I will try to answer the inquiry of your Perdue correspondent concerning a migratory bird he has seen. Yesterday I shot one, of probably the same specie on my pond south of town, and will leave the stuffed specimen at the NEWS office for inspection, and also give and extract from a description of what I believe to be the same bird in "Beauties and wonders of Land and Sea" vol I under head of Wading Birds. Avoset, characterized by a very long, slender bill, flexible, and curved upward. It stands 20 in. high, although the body is little larger than a pigeon's.

The anterior toes are connected by a wide membrane, the hind toe small or absent, color dark on back and wings, with white beneath, brown head and neck. The specimen I killed has extraordinary long slender legs of a light blue color without feathers almost to the body.

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Commission man—"That so?"

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The bank at Mutual which was burned down not long ago is being rebuilt.

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Santa Fe seems to have been brought about by one cause alone. The company refused to enter into a contract with an organization to procure certain work done, preferring to deal with the men directly. The organization sought to have only its members employed, and to have them employed through the channels of the order.

There is no dispute as to wages, nor treatment, nor condition, nor anything of the sort, and the action of the organization is "calling out" its men is without cause, so far as it appears to an observing public.—Lawrence Journal.

GOOD NEWS.

Will Return Shippers Free!

The following telegram from the General Freight Agent of the Rock Island System is mighty good reading for shippers:

Kansas City, Mo., May 2, 1904.

W. E. Bolton,

Return transportation will be granted shippers of live stock effective May 2nd the same as prior to January 1st 1904. Please notify all concerned.

H. H. Embry, G. F. A.

The New Outfit.

It may be that the new organization which styles itself "Interstate Executive Committee of Cattle Growers" is a move in the right direction but it seems to be in direct conflict with the National Live Stock Association thereby wakening both.

The average Cattleman is willing to do all his power to aid effective organization and God knows he needs it. This movement then is hard to understand.

In one of its resolutions it says: "That the Interstate Cattle Growers' Committee, sitting in Committee of the whole, recognizing the benefits heretofore accruing to our interests through the labor of the National Live Stock Association, hereby congratulates the National Association on its past work, and pledges it its co operation in such efforts in the future as will lead to our mutual benefit."

Now if this resolution is intended sincerely as it reads, then we cannot understand why all the work now being attempted, and such as has heretofore been done, by the National should at this time be assumed by the Interstate et. al.!

Fred Johnson is a whole team in himself including crib wagon, chuck outfit and a credit stack at the grocery house; so too, is C. F. Martin of the National. By uniting them, the live stock interests will be most ably served and the "funds" not be spent in duplication of "collect compile and publish such general information, data, facts and figures" etc & c. On the contrary, one dollar will do the work of two and the "Cow man's burden" will be materially lessened.

If this view is wrong, the LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR is willing to be corrected—but we can't keep looking at it in this manner at present.

Santa Fe Strikers in the Wrong.

The strike of the machinists on the

Butcher at the Round House here to prevent Messrs H. P. Thompson and Bill Kroneheimer the striking machinists from doing any damage to engines or other Company property although none is anticipated. The strikers here have little sympathy as they have no tangible grievance.

The editor left last night to attend the annual convention of the Oklahoma Press Association at Oklahoma City and from there will go to the World's Press Congress at St. Louis Exposition for a week. Creditors and others will kindly take notice and readers of this paper will please credit next issue to the best force of office hands employed in any print shop in Oklahoma.

The increase resulting from advances in railroad rates on a few leading commodities, in what is termed "official classification territory" alone, for the year ending June 30, 1903, is given as follows: Hay, nearly \$2,500,000; Sugar, nearly \$1,200,000; Iron and Steel, about \$4,000,000; Bituminous Coal, over \$10,000,000; and Lumber, about \$6,000,000.

As a possible suggestion of the times, it is pleasant to note that fewer banks have failed in Oklahoma recently than elsewhere, being limited to six in number. These six were the Holdenville National, the Duncan, I. T., bank, the Capital National Guthrie, the Ponca City bank, the McLoud bank, and the Citizens bank of Enid.

The indications are that coal, gas and oil will become Oklahoma's principal products. Congress may keep the peerless gem from entering her father's house, but she can't prevent the young and prosperous commonwealth from excelling the sister states in points of fitness and excellence.—Grand Republican.

They have been having a great time on the 101 Ranch near Bliss. The program consisted of roping contests, Indian war dances, bronco "busting" and a buffalo hunt. The out-break was attended by people from all parts of Oklahoma and Kansas. The hunt was a great success.

C. R. Mallory has just returned from Charleston and says that the people who two weeks ago were guessing they would get only half crops, are making statements to the effect that they will realize more on their farms than ever before.

At the last meeting of the City Dads, James Cunningham was selected for Marshall in place of Paris Howard. Assistant Marshall will be named next week. Huse Hopkins is now officially Mayor of the town by reason of his selection as Chairman.

F. O. Butler has just returned from Sumner county, Kansas, and reports nice rains and says wheat in that part of the state is looking promising and the demands for new headers increasing.

No Mixed Schools in Oklahoma.

Long wined articles have appeared in one or two county papers about an "attempt" to force a mixed school on the people of Hastings county, and a local correspondent sent out a dispatch to a Guthrie paper stating how the people of that section were wrought up over the affair. Like many other things that have been reported by local newspaper and newspaper reporters of this county, the whole affair was without foundation so far as an "attempt" was concerned, unless the attempt was all on the part of the negro, and the following letter from Governor Ferguson gives the law in the case.

People of Oklahoma, regardless of politics, will not sanction mixed schools but while the present law exists ignorance alone is the only excuse for such matters being earnestly discussed:

Guthrie, Okla., April 11, 1904.
 Rev. John McClements, Hastings, O.T.

Dear Sir:—In reply to your letter of recent date, which contained a clipping from a local paper, permit me to say that the Capital correspondent was very stupid in his report of this affair relative to the protest which came from certain colored people in regard to school matters at your place. The Capital correspondent stated in his article that colored children had been denied the right to attend the white schools. In that statement he demonstrated that he was not familiar with the laws of Oklahoma, which absolutely prohibit colored children from attending white schools, and impose a penalty on any teacher in the public school who would give instructions to one of opposite color.

This whole agitation was started through the density of the newspaper correspondent who attempted to instruct the public and was not informed himself as to the law.

A protest was made to this office stating that a large number of colored children at Hastings, Okla., were without school facilities, and as is the duty of the office under the law, the matter was referred to the attorney general for inquiry. He representing the legal department of the Territorial government, has these matters in charge. It is for him to decide whether or not it would be a matter of public necessity to establish a colored school at Hastings or anywhere in the territory. The law contemplates the establishment of separate schools wherever a sufficient number of children, either white or black, are without school advantages, but the law does not contemplate the establishment of a school of either kind where conditions do not require it. If the situation at your city is as you suggest, public policy would not demand the establishment of a school where it could not be utilized, as you state that there are only two colored children in the town, and that their parents are not permanently located. The law only contemplates the establishment of schools where they are needed and where the children who are without school advantages are permanently located.

Very respectfully,
 T. B. FERGUSON, Gov.

Kansas City Markets.

Special to LIVE STOCK INSPECTOR.
 Kansas City, Mo., Saturday, May 7th, 1904. Cattle receipts here this week amount to 27,040 head, 3500 less than last week and 1000 less than same week last year. Conditions favored higher prices on beef steers as proportion of she stuff and stock and feeding cattle was large, leaving supply of beef steers not at all excessive, but buyers resolutely resisted all efforts of salesmen to elevate values, bidding steady as a rule and appearing indifferent as to whether their bids were accepted or not. Lower domestic and foreign markets for dressed meats accounted for lack of snap to the market. However, buying orders were plentiful and daily clearances complete. Top beef steers brought \$5.35, and 700-lbs. yearlings sold at \$4.85 in one instance. As has been the case for some time, light weight steers were most wanted, competition on heavy cattle being small. Best heifers of the season were here this week and brought the best prices of the season. Straight heifers sold at \$5.05 Thursday. Heavy cows sold up to \$4.25. Medium to common she stuff sold about steady, best kinds 10 or 15 cents higher. The increased arrivals of stockers and feeders were freely moved at steady prices for the good ones and 10 to 15 cents lower prices for medium to common ones. Prices range from \$3.75 to \$4.40 for most sales. There is no change in bulls or veal calves. Stock cows and heifers were in good demand. Dealers are generally optimistic in regard to future cattle prices.

Hog receipts of 50,649 head were 3000 less than last week and 5000 less than same week last year. Prices declined rapidly first two days of the week, but have mended 15 cents since then, leaving top to-day \$4.85, bulk of sales at \$4.70 to \$4.80. Strong butcher weights are most wanted, and choice heavies above 300 lbs. do not bring any premium. A good many highly mixed hogs have arrived last few days and sold badly. Market closed weak to-day. Packers are anxious buyers all the time, and unless receipts are excessive next week, which is not expected, prices should be as good as steady next week.

All railroad lines are now issuing return transportation to shippers of two cars of stock or more, enabling them to accompany their consignments and see their stock sold, an advantage to both the shipper and the salesman.

J. A. RICKART,
 Live Stock Correspondent.

"Eastern Man in Woodward Co."

The following was found on the steet and is evidently the product of a budding genius whose enthusiastic muse simply wouldn't permit him to rest until he had made good by this effort:

"O Woodward Okla., land is the best
 You'd better stop here, if you are coming out west
 Plenty of wheat and plenty of corn
 The best you've seen since you was born.
 The sand blows a little,
 But we don't mind that
 It keeps us busy to hold on our hat

But who cares for the wind and the sand,
 We're living out west in the Woodward land.

The people back east are starving to death.
 You'd better hitch up and come out west
 We have the crops and we have the rains.
 And here in this county is the Salt plains.
 You'd better come out, you'd find it would pay
 You can have the salt for hauling it away.

Now if you don't think it is this way just hitch up and start out here today
 And when you get here out in the west You'll fine it is far the best.
 Now if you come to Woodward town.
 We will take you all around
 And show the place that you want,
 The cheapest that ever was bought"

"INSIDE INN" ADVANTAGES.

Why the Only Hotel in the World's Fair Enclosure Promises to Be a Popular Hostelry.

There is one large hotel on the grounds of the World's Fair at St. Louis called "The Inside Inn." It has a capacity of accommodating with comfort and safety, 6,000 guests. It is located near the southeastern corner of the grounds and convenient to two of the entrances. In its immediate vicinity are many of the beautiful buildings erected by the states and territories.

The Inside Inn is emdowered in natural forest trees. It is in fact a bit—a big bit—of suburban enterprise set in the edge of a great city. From the doors and windows of the Inside Inn one is not compelled to look upon sun-baked stone streets, sweltering alleys and dead walls. On the contrary, the guest has an outlook upon a primeval forest in which appear here and there the inviting outlines of new houses built without qualms as to cost and embellished with all the artistic adornments that architecture can supply. Looking farther, the guest may behold the graceful towers and the stately domes of the most wonderful city on earth—the Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

In short, the guest at the Inside Inn will be practically a summer resorster, away from the din and clamor and dust and heat of the busy city, and yet near enough to the World's Fair glories to behold some of them from his window and to reach any of them in a few minutes. If perchance he shall become a-weary of the wondrous wealth of things to see and hear, for the time being, he may hie him back to the Inside Inn, where in his own apartments or in the cozy lounging-rooms or parlors of the Inn he may enjoy a delightful rest, fitting him for a return to the heart of the World's Fair, refreshed and revived.

The guest at the Inside Inn will be the only visitors who can see the World's Fair from their own front door, so to speak; for at the Inn they will be at home, and while viewing any part of the great Exposition they will have the satisfaction of knowing

that a short walk or a brief ride on the Intramural cars will take them home without going outside the grounds.

GARDEN.

Wood ashes are an excellent garden fertilizer.

Manure your garden in the fall if you want the best crops.

It will pay to grow forest trees to a limited extent on every farm, because of increased comfort and attractiveness to the home.

Dairying takes less fertility out of the soil than any other form of agriculture.

Cheese and butter are condensed products, and the cost of carriage in comparison to their value is less than that of any other farm products.

The principal advantage in growing a variety of crops and keeping and feeding different kind of stock is that by good management it is possible to have something to sell at most any time.

It is now acknowledged by all sarghum makers that white cane is the best for molasses and superior for fodder.

It has been proved by actual experience that drilling and cultivating rape for hog pasture instead of sowing broadcast in the usual way will double the yield. Drill in rows about two feet apart with a wheat drill and then cultivate with a five tooth one-horse cultivator.

Don't forget to plant castor beans this spring. They are indigenous to Oklahoma soil.

At half past eleven o'clock yesterday C. C. Wells died at the Globe Restaurant of blood poison, caused by the bite of a centipede. Several days ago Mr. Wells was working in his garden seven miles north west of town, when he felt something on his finger which he thought was a sand-burr; he dismissed it entirely from his mind and it was not until he was milking in the evening that his finger began to pain him, but it steadily grew worse the next day. He came to Woodward to consult physicians, hoping to save his hand which he feared would have to be amputated. His little twelve year old boy came with him. He stayed at the Globe Restaurant and Boarding House for three days. Drs. Wilson and Chandler attended him, and everything that could be done was done to help him, but he rapidly grew worse and died at half past eleven Thursday morning. Mr. Wells leaves a wife and three children, two are with his wife in Nebraska, and one, a bright little fellow of twelve with him here trying to help his father make a home. His body was taken to Mr. Boyle's undertaking establishment and will be buried in the Woodward cemetery to day.

If the farmers who think they want better roads wanted them as earnestly as they wanted the girls they married, there would be some lively road courtship going on along all the highways.

Program is Arranged.

Omer K. Benedict of Hobart, secretary of the Oklahoma Press association, announces that the following program will be carried out at the next meeting of the association at Oklahoma City, Friday and Saturday, May 13 and 14:

The first session will be called promptly at 9 o'clock on the morning of the 13th.

Address of welcome—Hon. C. Porter Johnson, Oklahoma City.

Response—Frank H Greer, Guthrie, State Capital.

Invocation.

"How best to meet the competition of the Metropolitan Press"—Mrs. W. H. French, Chandler Publicist.

Discussion led by W. R. Dutton, Geary Bulletin.

"Handling Live Wires"—Roy Stafford, Oklahoman.

Discussion led by Lon Wharton, Perry Sentinel.

"An Editor's Individuality"—Frank Stephens, Apache World.

Discussion led by Thos. B. Woolsey, Mulhall.

"The Editor in Politics"—J. J. Burke, Norman Transcript.

Discussion led by Bob Neff, Blackwell News.

Adjournment for lunch.

Reconvene at 2 p. m.

"The Independent Party Newspaper"—C. F. Barrett, Shawnee Herald

Discussion by R. C. Echols, Mangum Star.

"The Independent Press"—E. S. Bronson, Thomas Tribune.

Discussion by J. W. Casey, Perry Republican.

"The Newspaper That Prints the News and Tells the Truth About It."—Tom Fry, Kingfisher Free Press.

"Practical Legislation That Would Be Beneficial to the Newspaper Fraternity."—W. M. Allison, Snyder Signal-Star.

Discussion, L. A. Salter, Carmen Headlight.

"Newspaper Altruism"—Walter Olds Asber Altruist.

"The Fraternity of the Twin Territories"—J. J. Walter, Purcell Register.

Appointment of committees, committee on resolutions, membership and memorials.

Saturday morning session convenes at 9 a. m.

"How to Build up a Subscription List and Maintain it."—J. P. Renfrow, Alva Record.

Discussion, B. B. Price, Getebo Herald.

"How to Educate and Learn to Advertise"—J. B. Campbell, Waukomis Hornet.

Discussion by J. N. Miller, Morrison Sun.

"Home and Foreign Advertising"—Cad Ajjard, Enid Eagle.

Discussion, A. J. Ross, Alva Courier.

"The Local Field"—Horace Shepard Leger Times.

"Advantages of All Home Print"—Jno. N. Sheplar, Pawnee Courier-Dispatch.

Discussion, Chas. E. Verity, Western Newspaper Union.

"The Relation of the Oklahoma Press Association to the Oklahoma

Historical Society."—Lincoln McKinley Newkirk Republican News-Journal.

Adjournment for lunch.

Reconvene at 2 p. m.

Report of committee on constitution and by-laws.

Report of committee on membership and payment of dues.

Report of committees on resolutions.

Report of committee on memorial.

Annual report of secretary and treasurer.

Election of officers and delegates to the National Editorial Association.

The editors with their wives and sweethearts will leave on a special train at 8 o'clock Saturday evening, arriving at St. Louis Sunday afternoon, where they will see the sights of the world's fair and attend the meeting of the National Editorial association and the World's Press congress.

The Oklahoma editors will have the freedom of the Oklahoma building after 4 o'clock p. m. May 19.

World's Press Week.

NEWSPAPER MEN FROM ALL SECTIONS OF THE EARTH MEET AT THE WORLD'S FAIR MAY 16 IN A UNIVERSAL CONGRESS.

St. Louis.—The greatest gathering of newspaper men ever held will make the week beginning Monday, May 16, memorable amongst journalists. That is "World's Press Week" at the World's Fair. For more than two years preparations for this gathering have been in progress. The result, now about to be achieved, is a World's Press Parliament in which will sit as delegates many of the most distinguished journalists in the world. Newspaper men from every state and city in the United States will be present, and famous representatives of the press of every foreign land will cooperate to make this parliament complete. About 3000 journalists are expected.

During the week many state and district press associations will hold their sessions within the exposition grounds. The National Editorial Association also will hold its annual convention there. Elaborate programs of entertainment have been prepared for the members of the various associations and for the delegates to the Universal parliament. The newspaper man, for seven days, will be the invited and welcome guest of the greatest universal exposition.

The week's program begins Monday morning as soon as the gates of the World's Fair are open, the first number being a grand band concert. At 9 o'clock follows an organ recital in the magnificent Festival Hall. The National Editorial Association meets at 9:30 o'clock in Recital Hall, and again at 2 o'clock. At 4 o'clock the Kansas commission receives the newspaper men in the Kansas state pavilion, and at 8 o'clock there is an evening session of the national association.

Each day of the week begins with a band concert and organ recital in honor of the visiting journalists. Tuesday morning the National Editorial Association holds another session, and in the afternoon, from 2 to 4

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o'clock the Missouri Press Association will meet in the splendid Missouri state building. The evening is occupied by a reception in that building by the Missouri commission for the World's Fair.

Wednesday morning the national association will resume its sessions, and in the afternoon there are receptions at the Indiana, Wisconsin, Ohio and Arizona buildings. An evening reception by the Exposition officials will close the day.

Sessions of the national association are held Thursday morning and afternoon, Texas and Oklahoma receive the newspaper guests at their respective pavilions during the afternoon. At 8 o'clock the first session of the World's Press Parliament will begin in Festival Hall.

The second session of the parliament will be held Friday morning, with a third session in the evening. Iowa, West Virginia and Idaho are

the state hosts of the newspaper men during that afternoon.

Saturday morning the closing session of the World's Press Parliament is to be held. There is a reception by the Federation of Women's Clubs at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and at night the journalists may parade the Pike or do whatever else they may like.

Starting at 9 o'clock Sunday morning the press representatives will enjoy a voyage on the Mississippi river, aboard the big steamer City of Providence.

The woman, who sneers at a decent kitchen girl, ought to be made to do her own work. To cook is a highly respected business, and to do good cooking requires brains, experience and good sense. Many a good girl needs the wages to be earned in the kitchen, but hesitates to go out to work some foolish stuck-up people.
—Ewing Herbert.



MY ADVERTISEMENT

Has occupied this space for several issues.
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A CORNER OF PALACE OF ELECTRICITY, WORLD'S FAIR, ST. LOUIS.

Irrigation Statistics for Oklahoma.

The United States Census Bureau has given out the following preliminary statement concerning irrigation in the territory of Oklahoma in 1902: The counties along the western border of Oklahoma are the only sections in the territory where irrigation is required, although during dry seasons limited areas are watered in some of the counties lying farther eastward. The Cimarron and Canadian rivers with their numerous small tributaries, are the principal streams draining that section. These streams carry a volume of water during a portion of the year sufficient to irrigate many times the present area, and, by proper storage, several thousand acres could be brought under cultivation. In some sections underground water is used to irrigate small tracts. The soil is very fertile but the subsoil is so loose that frequent and copious applications of water are required. It will be impossible, therefore, for irrigation to make marked progress in the future without storage works, as the normal flow of the streams is already utilized.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

The year 1902 was a favorable one for farming; The annual precipitation in the semi-arid portions of the territory varied from 20 to 30 inches, making irrigation less necessary. The following statistics are for the year 1902 and relate to the different sources of water supply within the territory.

The number of acres irrigated was 3,329, an increase since 1899 of 569 acres, or 20.6 per cent. The 113 systems constructed at an initial cost of \$36,770 supplied 134 farms at an average construction cost of \$11.05 for each acre irrigated. The total length of main canals and ditches was 89 miles. The increase in number of farms since 1899 is 81 per cent, and

in total construction cost, 68.1 per cent.

Of the total area irrigated, 3,173 acres were watered from streams 14 acres from springs and 141 acres from wells. The construction cost of the stream systems was \$25,445; of the spring systems, \$6.25; and of the well systems, \$10,700.

DRAINAGE BASINS.

The drainage basins in which irrigation is practiced are Cimarron river and tributaries, Canadian river and tributaries, other small tributaries of the Arkansas and Red river and tributaries. The statistics for irrigation from springs and wells are not given by drainage basins but are for the entire territory.

In 1902, Cimarron river and tributaries, Canadian river and tributaries, supplied 41 irrigation systems and 1,965 acres belonging to 53 farms were irrigated. The total construction outlay for the 50 miles of main canals and ditches and other irrigation works was \$15,077, an average first cost of \$8.14 per irrigated acre. Water from Canadian river and tributaries was utilized through 31 systems to irrigate 869 acres on 35 farms. The 27 miles of main canals and ditches, and other irrigation works were constructed at an initial cost of \$6,918, an average of \$7.96 per irrigated acre. Nine farms were supplied with water from other small tributaries of the Arkansas and 220 acres were irrigated. The 8 systems, including 8 miles of main canals and ditches, represented a construction cost of \$1,582, an average of \$7.19 per irrigated acre. Eight farms in the southwestern corner of the territory were supplied with water from the Red river and tributaries, and 121 acres were irrigated. The 4 systems were constructed at an initial cost of \$968 for the four miles of main canals and ditches and other irrigation works and the average first cost was \$8 per irrigated acre.



A GOOD TIMEKILLER.

If an "Old Maid" had known my inmost heart she could not have written a letter more to my liking. Patchwork is a fad of mine, if "fad" means following a good old custom older than our grandmothers.

The pieces put in a quilt are not usually needed for any other purpose. They would be wasted if not thus used.

While we are piecing quilts we are not wasting time at anything worse. A housekeeper has so many minutes to spare that would be wasted if the quilt block were not ready to be picked up. I never could sit down to rest idly. My hands were trained to keep busy. I would go crazy without some kind of work to pick up every time I sit down.

I hope quilt piecing will never go out of fashion. MOTHER BRAY.

A QUILT OF MANY PIECES.

I am one of the old sisters who have a stack of pieced quilts. One of mine has over 5,000 pieces in it.

I never miss the time I spend on piecing quilts. It is all done at odd moments.

When I have a quilt ready for the frame I invite several old ladies to come and spend the day and help me quilt. I prepare a good dinner. We enjoy ourselves and get the quilt finished easily. It is a good way of having a social visit, besides getting the work done.

I would like to know if any of the sisters have a quilt containing more pieces than mine. I once heard of one as high as 10,000.

SISTER POWELL.

ONE VOICE AGAINST THE QUILT.

Dear "Old Maid," I adore you for your avowed "mejumness," but how can you be "mejum" and hold up for the finger-picking, eye-straining old-fashioned patchwork quilt? Don't you know that antiquated article is out-of-date? No wonder you are an old maid! Though, to be sure, you are a dear girl and if I were a man I would ask you to "have me" (of course you would jump at the chance!) and then I would proceed to give away all your precious old pieced and padded quilts and furnish our bed rooms with fluffy wool blankets and warm, light comforters, and hygienic white counter-panes! How happy we should be—and healthy too.

(As usual, I "run on" so fast, I must stop a moment to take breath.)

KANSAS GIRL.

CHOOSING YOUR CHILD'S FATHER.

Few women deliberately choose their husbands for the qualities that

make good fathers. More should knowingly be guided in their choice by such considerations.

The healthy, thoughtful young woman is eager to make the most of the life that has been given her to live. She may have no special great talent for art, music, letters, or business, and yet, possessing the qualities that would make her an almost ideal wife and mother, she is far from being a failure. Given any sort of a husband, such a woman will accomplish wonders. But, in this age when our brains are used in every department to lighten labor, why not apply them to simplifying the arduous task of rearing a family? If you choose for your helpmeet a man in good physical health you will probably be spared the heartrending pain of seeing your offspring fade away in infancy or drag through years of semi-sickness. If your boy's father has good morals your boy is not nearly so likely to break your heart by his intemperance or crime. If your husband is a man of boundless ambition your son will inherit an energy that will save you from an old age of poverty.

"Oh," cries some one, (not the sensible girl I am addressing—) "how selfish you are! I mean to marry for love, let the cost be what it may."

Be guided by affection, of course. Let nothing drive you into a loveless union, but remember the best love is not a blind, unreasoning passion for some (perhaps unworthy) object, most novels to the contrary never the less.

"All love that has not friendship for its base,

Is like a mansion built upon the sand, says Ella Wheeler Wilcox. And again she says,

"Love, to endure life's sorrow and earth's woe,

Needs friendship's solid mason work below."

Don't be unreasonably exacting, but pray, pray, do not stoop to hopeless mediocrity in fear of becoming that most misunderstood specimen of all humanity, an "old maid". Choose for your life friend, or husband, a man who is your mental, moral and physical equal.

Such men may be rare, but you only need to meet one in a lifetime, one is sure to appear when you are ready to receive him. (Not, perhaps, when you think you are ready, but at God's appointed time. There is a fate otherwise inexplicable about his coming.)

And while you are waiting prepare yourself. There is plenty of work to do; much for you to learn. You cannot be too perfect a mother.

MRS. EDNA W. ALLEN.
Big Springs, Tex.

In our Department for this issue there is quite a symposium on the subject of the old-fashioned, hand-made "Patchwork Quilt." I am delighted with the freedom characterizing your remarks, dear sisters. However commonplace the topic, if it is worthy the work of your hands it is certainly worth talking and writing about. You know you have a standing invitation to come as often as you can and—stay long."

PATCHWORK.

Dear Sisters: I was so much interested in "Old Maid's" letter about old fashioned patchwork quilts. And then how I laughed and sighed and frowned and laughed again over Aunt Mary's comments on that letter. Isn't it queer how different folks are? Here is our "Old Maid" in this happy household, and we can all see she is sweet and lovable despite her name and her

old-fashioned views; and here is our "Aunt Mary," the mother of the household, with her modern opinions and of course we all know she is sweet and lovable too, and eminently sensible. Yet they differ. What fun it is! Now we are going to have a discussion. It will be interesting. A question with two sides to it is always interesting. Just for the sake of argument, (as professional debaters say,) I am going to take "Old Maid's" side. Let me see—oh, yes! I must say something in favor of patchwork quilts.

1. Patchwork quilts are pretty.
2. " " " " warm.
3. " " " " durable.
4. " " " " cheap.
5. " " " " easily made

With hopes of a lively discussion, I remain,
AUNT AMELIA.

MISS MAHAN SPEAKS OF SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES.

It is a pleasure to place on this page the photograph of any woman known for her good works.

From time to time lovely faces have been shown here, faces bright with intellectuality, faces radiantly beautiful with high purpose and right living.

Today the pictured features are those of Miss Permelia C. Mahan, of Savannah, Mo., widely known as a reader and lecturer, an organizer in the Women's Christian Temperance Union. She lives in Missouri, but has traveled extensively in other states, wherever duty has called her to go.

Recently it was my good fortune to meet Miss Mahan as she filled engagements in Oklahoma. Hers is the style of welcome which warms the heart of interviewers. She is a true friend to the newspaper, recognizing its power in the field of reform. Her kindest sympathies are with the woman writer. When she greeted me with the cheery smile and hearty hand-clasp which together are irresistibly captivating, and said with her wonderful voice, "I am so glad to meet you. Aunt Mary!" it was as though the resonant words were, "We are making the world better! You with your pen and I with my tongue!"

In her addresses Miss Mahan has uttered many true and inspiring sentiments, among them one which she penned with her own hand for me to give my readers in this Department: "In social life lie the greatest opportunities and the greatest dangers for young people.

Dear young woman, you will find real joy in genuine Christian temperance work. Our work need never be dull or prosy. We have not yet utilized all the beautiful and helpful agencies God has placed in our social world. We ought to have more delightful coteries than any French court and be able to converse in such a manner that a talking party need not be a wall-flower sociable and, of all things under the sun, the most stupid. If as much attention were given to the art of entertaining with conversation as is given to dress and dancing, society would be more elevated in tone and more beneficial in results. We have not yet exhausted all the supplies we might derive from literature, art and music. The word "Temperance" stands for more than a personal attitude toward Total Abstinence. It stands for that which is lovely and

pure and of good report. At its dinners and festivals the keenest wit, the choicest sentiment and the best toasts prevail. It rests with you—it rests with us—to usher in these better social customs. Girls, your opportunity may be at the next dinner party or picnic where your simple refusal to drink wine or cider may prove as strong a protest as was the load from Moll Pitcher's cannon of Revolutionary times."

High School Commencement.

Last Sunday evening the Opera House was well filled with an interested audience ready to enjoy the first commencement exercises of the Woodward High School which was a success in every way, not only in reference to the graduates but winning fresh laurels for the musicians and singers as well.

The program was opened by a prayer from Rev. J. D. Munsey, and on account of the illness of Miss Beegle who was unable to give her piano solo as on the program, Mrs. Sharp then gave a beautiful selection on the violin.

Miss Mabel Gray's salutatory and essay, "The Flight of Time" was exceptionally fine and well delivered. After thanking the audience for being present and the interest they took in the school work, she told how every one should improve their time for "we are young but once and rise solely by steps we build."

Miss Garnett Kendall's solo "Loye's Sorrow" was very well rendered and greatly appreciated by all.

The next essay was by Florence Chapman and the subject "True Heroism" was well handled. She maintained that heroes were not always found on the field of battle, but the noblest were those who conquered self.

Mrs. D. M. Thompson's piano solo was very fine and was highly appreciated by every one present.

Miss Iva Combs delivered the next essay and valedictory in which she told how the American girl should have higher aims and ambitions and not be content until they have attained the highest point. She closed her address by saying how sorry the class were to leave school and that now their paths lie in different directions but they would all try and do their best so that the school would ever be proud of them.

Mrs. Jennie Flickinger and Miss Lena Dean's vocal duet was beautiful and thoroughly enjoyed.

Supt. G. M. Lisk in a few well selected words thanked the parents and friends for their co-operation and help in the school work and then presented the graduates with their diplomas.

Messrs Smith, Hardy, Saunders and Sharp then sang "Goodnight Beloved" after which was the benediction by Rev. Walker.

The beautiful roses and carnations worn by the girls and which contrasted so nicely with their white dresses were presented to them by Mr. Lisk Supt. of the school. The stage was decorated with the class colors, old rose and moss green and made a very pretty appearance. The motto "We rise by steps we build" was worn

en colors at the foot of the stage. The whole evening was an entire success and we extend our hearty congratulation to the class and Mr. Lisk.

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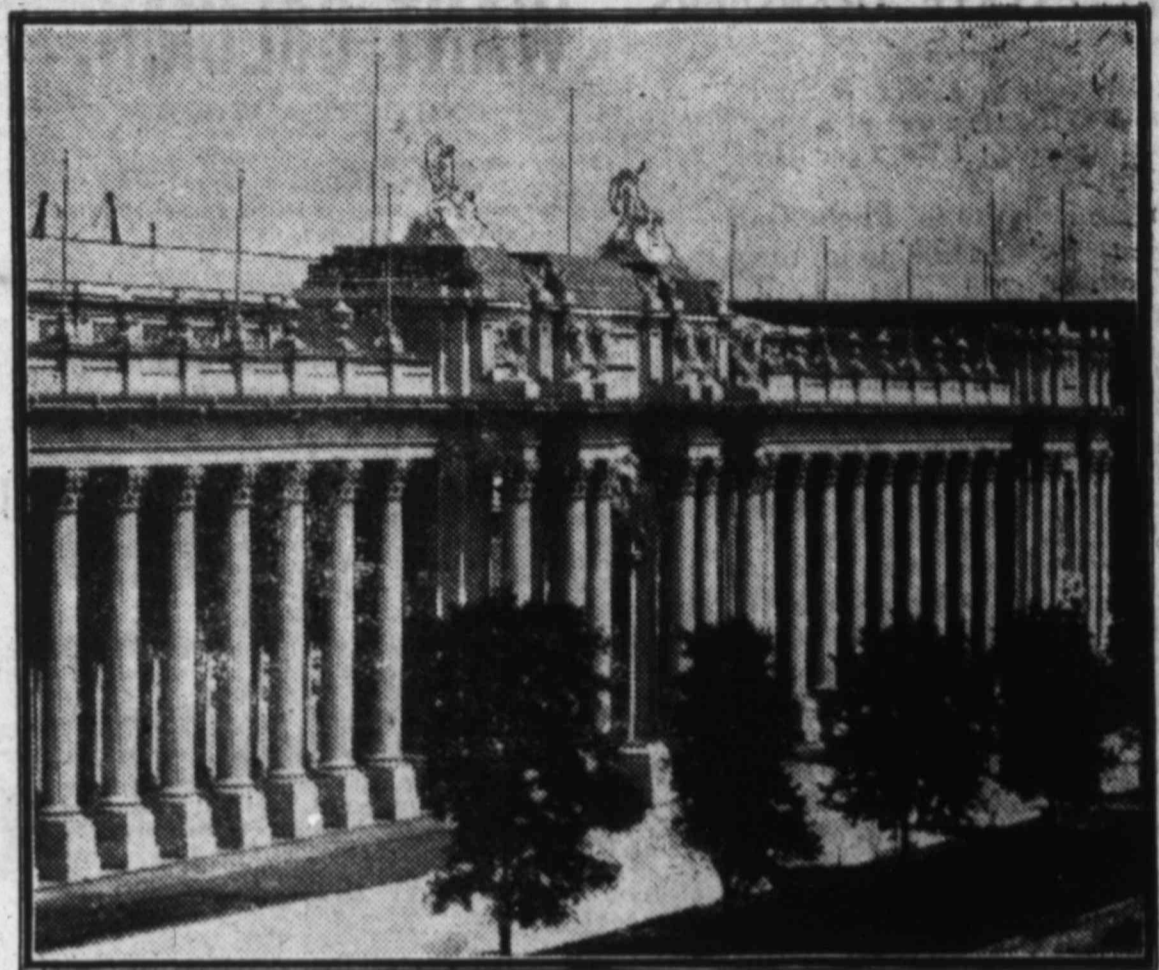
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PALACE OF EDUCATION, WORLD'S FAIR, ST. LOUIS.

WORLD'S FAIR NEWS NOTES.

The exhibit of the Philippine Islands at the World's Fair costs more than \$1,000,000. More than 1,000 native Filipinos will comprise a part of the exhibit, and 40 acres of ground are required for the Filipino buildings and villages. An accurate reproduction of a section of the wall around ancient Manila is one of the architectural features.

The sculpture adorning the World's Fair grounds at St. Louis, embracing creations by the world's greatest sculptors, has cost more than half a million dollars. Sculpture was never used so freely in adorning an exposition grounds, and critics say that the offerings never possessed so great artistic merit.

Connecticut's building at the World's Fair is finished and the furnishings are being installed. The building is a replica of the Sigourney mansion at Hartford, and much of the wood-

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The largest pipe organ ever built has been shipped from Los Angeles, Cal., to St. Louis. It will be placed in the Festival Hall at the World's Fair. The organ has 145 stops and some of the larger pipes are five feet in diameter.

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The Denver, Woodward and Southeastern Railroad is duly chartered at Guthrie with a capital of \$20,000,000. The head quarters will be at Woodward. The road extends from Denver through the counties of Arapaho, Douglas, Elbert, Elpaso, Lincoln, Pueblo, Otero, Bent, Las Animas and Baca in state of Colorado and counties of Beaver, Woods, Blaine, Dewey, Logan, Kingfisher, Woodward, Canadian, Oklahoma, Lincoln, Cleveland, and Pattawatomie in Oklahoma and Seminole, Creek, Chickasaw, and Choctaw nations in Indian Territory and then through Arkansas to Texarkana a distance of 1000 miles.

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The Winfield Chautauqu Assembly.

Dates are announced for the eighteenth session of the Winfield Chautauqua Assembly in Island Park, Winfield Kansas, June 14th to 24th. The platform will be up to the standard of excellence established by this Chautauque and while all dates are not filled, yet much of the programme is now ready. The list to date includes such names as Senator Dilliver, John R. Clark, W. F. Oldham, D. D., Prof. Geo. L. Robinson, J. Wilbur Chapman, Mrs. John A. Logan, Dr. R. S. MacArthur, Rosani, the juggler, Mrs. Bertna Kunz Baker, Dr. E. E. Cavers, Ioyokichi Iyenga, The American Vitagraph Company, several concert companies, Mrs. Antoinette Lamoureux with Henry Water-son, Alton Packard, Zack Sweeney and others in correspondence.

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Many improvements are being made in Island Park. The tabernacle has been remodeled and increased in size until it is now the best out-of-doors auditorium in the country. A thousand dollar cement floor is being laid to insure comfort and cleanliness. A new building is being erected by the women of Winfield and other nearby towns, to be known as a Woman's building and will be dedicated to their use on Woman's Day, June 22nd, Mrs. General John A. Logan being the orator of the day.

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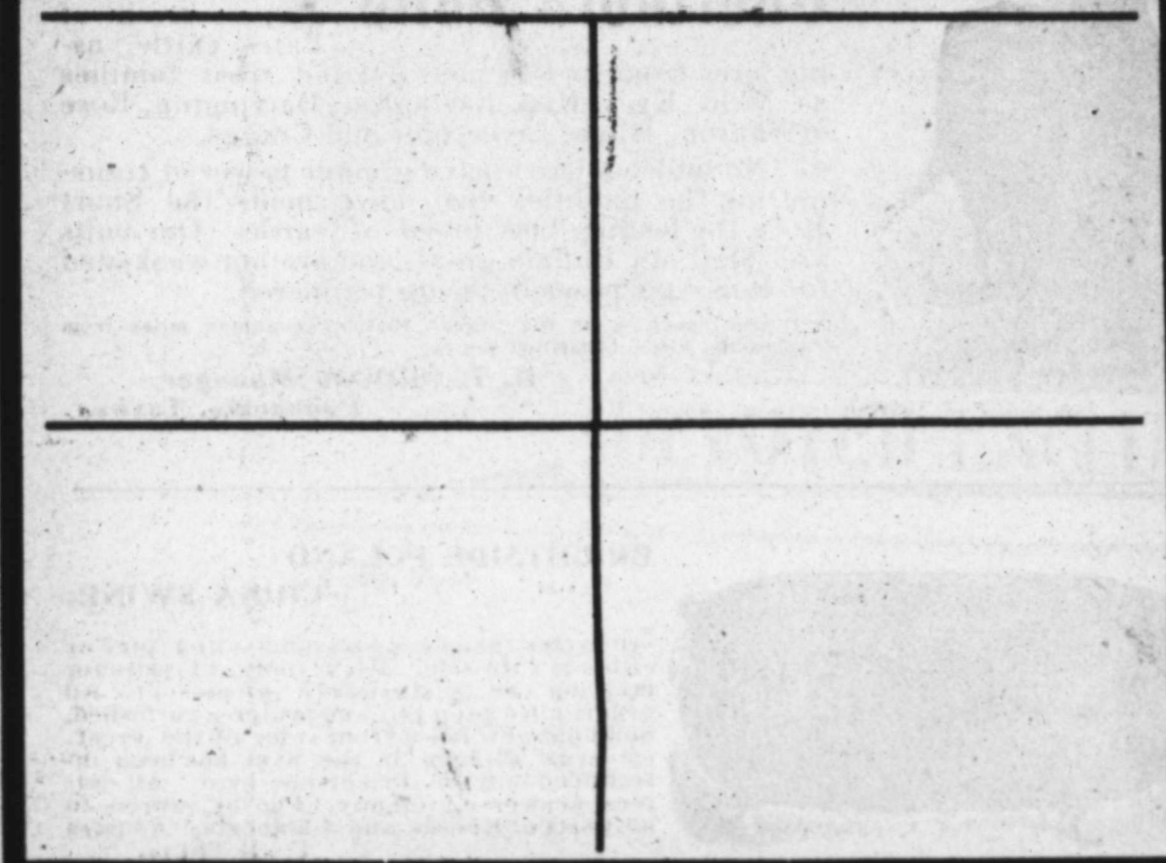
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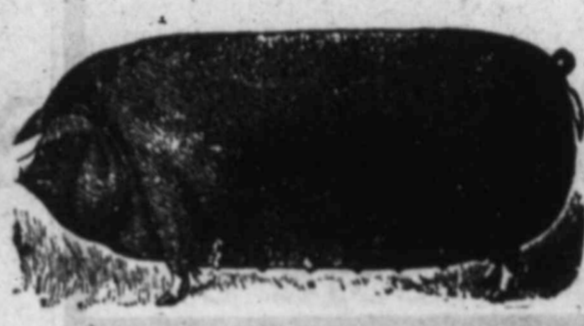


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