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TO KEEP OUT DISEASED IMMIGRANTS

EXAMINATION TOO EASY AT LAREDO AND EL PASO.

Washington, Jan. 31.—"We are trying to have applied to Mexico the same regulations that are now in force respecting the admission of immigrants who come to the United States by way Canada," said Commissioner of Immigration Frank P. Sargent today when asked about the steps being taken to reach an agreement with Mexico for keeping out of the United States undesirable immigrants who reach Vera Cruz and other Mexican ports and then cross the Texas border line.

"We are now making an effort to perfect an arrangement with Mexico whereby our physicians may be stationed at the ports of arrival of the transports to examine the qualification of immigrants intending to enter the United States.

"Many of the immigrants who arrive in Mexico are afflicted with trachoma. When refused admission they undergo treatment for several weeks and try to get into the country. It is this class that is giving us considerable trouble."

Monterey is the point, the agent says, to which those who have been debarred from entering as contract laborers on account of suffering from trachoma, return for instructions and who do not care to take treatment for the eye disease at Nuevo Laredo.

At Monterey they are instructed to go to El Paso or Eagle Pass. It has been reported to him, says the inspector, that a great many Syrians suffering with trachoma who had been refused passage by steamship lines into Europe, and who were deported from New York, had no trouble in passing safely the medical examination at Laredo or El Paso.

W. O. W. Oyster Supper.

The principal attraction of the week was the oyster supper given Thursday night by the members of La Salle Camp Woodmen of World. The supper was not exclusively for the members, but all Woodmen and their families.

There were about two hundred people present and the occasion was one that has not been equaled in Cotulla.

At 7:30 the doors of the reception hall were open and the people began to gather. An hour later an interesting, amusing and exciting voting contest began to decide the most popular lady, the ugliest man and also the best looking man present. Each one present was entitled to cast one vote. Clerks kept up with the ballots cast and every five minutes it was announced how the vote stood. After the first announcement interest increased to a high pitch which did not subside until the final result was announced.

Miss Hazel Glass received the highest number of votes 42, for the most popular lady, and Mrs. W. T. Hill was a very close second with 35 votes. Other ladies that received a splendid vote were Misses Katie Knaggs, Emma Cotulla and Fannie Woods.

There were twenty-two candidates put up for the best looking man but Dr. J. D. Motheral skinned 'em all a city block. He received 33 votes. Roland A. Gouger was next with 17 votes and John P. Guinn third with 13 votes.

Edward M. Evetts was declared by an overwhelming majority, the ugliest man in this jurisdiction. He received 45 votes. There were 26 candidates in this contest, a greater number than in either of the other two races. Some of the other fast runners were J. B. Brown with 22 votes, Jno. P. Guinn with 14 votes and W. T. Hill with 12 votes. There was was evidently a difference in opinion as the looks of Mr.

Guinn, as he received for the ugliest man and 13 for the best looking man.

Rev. T. G. Woods in very appropriate speeches presented the winners with prizes. Miss Glass the most popular lady, was presented with a beautiful souvenir spoon with "W. of W." engraved in the bowl. Mr. Evetts, the ugliest man, was presented with a nice emblem pin and Dr. Motheral the best looking man was presented a couple of boxes of face ointment and a mirror. The first (so the speaker said) to preserve his beauty and the latter that he could better observe how to put it on.

The contest was enjoyed immensely by everyone present. Music furnished by the Cotulla String Band added merriment to the occasion.

The supper was served at Mrs. Brown's Restaurant and began at 9:30 and by 11:30 the big crowd had been fed. There was an abundance of splendidly cooked oysters and after the W. O. W.'s had finished feasting about twenty-five hungry looking boys were lined up at one of the tables with instructions to eat oysters till they could eat no more. There was no trouble in enforcing the order. Probably half a hundred outsiders were also fed up till one o'clock, when the oyster supply was exhausted.

When the music left the reception hall at eleven o'clock about twenty-five couples went to the Skating Rink and tripped the light fantastic for a couple of hours.

From every point the supper was a success. The committee in charge of the numerous details performed their duties perfectly and there was not a hitch. It was the first supper ever given by the Woodmen and the manner in which the Camp "lined up" for the success of the occasion is seldom seen in any organization.

Lyceum at the Court House Monday night. Come

Private Survey

Show Here.

Markness & Fox Dixie Miners give exhibitions here under canvas Thursday and last nights. It is a first class, clean show and last night every seat in the large tent was taken and probably a hundred people stood up. It is a show that will make you laugh for two and a half hours. In their advertising they say "If you can't laugh don't come," and that is the truth.

One of the funny features of the show last night was a Ladies "Sawing Contest." It was open to all and the lady who sawed a 2x4 into first received a \$5 gold piece. Four ladies entered, Mrs. S. A. Pease, Mrs. I. C. Jennings, Mrs. J. H. Gates and Mrs. W. N. Guinn. Mrs. Guinn was the winner and Mrs. Gates was a close second. Tonight there will be a ladies "nail driving" contest and a \$5 note will be given the lady who first drives ten nails through a one inch plank. There will also be a similar contest for men tonight and a pie eating contest for the boys.

A voting contest for the most popular lady was also started the first night and the winner will receive a set of silverware. Twenty-five ladies have been voted on and below we give the names of all that have received over 500 votes.

Miss Kate Knaggs, 6,530; Miss Jessie Copp, 6,450; Mrs. J. H. Gates, 2,990; Mrs. W. T. Hill, 1,830; Miss Dottie Reed, 1,390; Mrs. R. H. Hall, 610; Miss Florence Poole, 540; Miss Susie Barris, 530.

Will Leave Monday.

Miss Kate Burwell will leave Monday for St. Louis on her semi-annual buying trip for the One Price Store. She will be gone about two weeks and will purchase an unusually large line of spring and summer goods.

LOCAL NOTES.

Coming! "The Runaway Tramp." Monday, 11th.

Hear Dr. Landreth at the Court House Monday night.

A. G. Salmon and wife of the Buckley ranch are in town today.

Dr. Ira Landreth, noted Southern man will lecture at the Court House Monday night under the direction of the Rice Bureau.

Wanted.—An improved farm 40 to 80 acres, prefer on river and to cost about \$2,000. Leave answers at Record office.

Mr. G. Philippe has a permanent position with a lumber firm at Dilley, and expects to move his family there as soon as he sells his place here. Mr. Philippe has been identified with the business interests of Cotulla for twenty years and we regret to see him leave, but wish him success in his new place.

The "Runaway Tramp," a comedy in four acts at Cotulla Monday night.

W. E. Campbell purchased lots 3 and 4 in block I of East Heights' addition this week. Mr. Campbell who is drilling deep wells is not here more than a month or two during the year and says he has become tired of paying \$10 a small house on the lots he built to store his household goods in until some future date when he expects to build a nice residence.

E. L. Campbell was a pleasant caller at the Record office last Saturday and squared his subscription for another year. Mr. Campbell also sends the paper to Dr. C. W. Campbell, at Hammond, Ind., who is interested in Southwest Texas. Mr. Campbell has completed his house and says "living at home" is much more satisfactory than paying rent, which he has been doing for the past seven or eight years.

45 CAL. BULLET CAUSED DEATH

HOW DR. BARNHILL WAS ACCIDENTALLY KILLED AT MINERA.

In the last issue of the Record in the report of the accidental of Dr. A. G. Barnhill at Minera it was stated that particulars were not obtainable at that time but it was thought that he accidentally killed himself with an automatic shotgun. This however, was an error. As near as we have been able to learn, the facts were as follows: Dr. Barnhill, who was the Coal Company's physician, was in the habit of making a round to see his patients about six o'clock each morning. He was in the habit of carrying his revolver with him, and on this fatal morning, he arose as usual, and Mrs. Barnhill said that as he started to open the door it blew open suddenly and he probably had the pistol in his hand, and in some manner it was discharged, the bullet going through his body just below the heart and lodging in the wall of the house. He called for her to come quick that he had shot himself. Mrs. Barnhill quickly lighted a lamp but when she got to her husband's side, he only looked at her and died without speaking further.

The body was shipped to Brenham for interment.

Cattle Shipments.

Several train loads of cattle have been shipped from Cotulla this week, and also several trains from Encinal. About 150 cars went from the two points. Among the shippers from this station were W. G. Johnson, J. M. Williams, Jos. Cotulla and W. C. Irvin & Sons. W. G. Johnson sold a train of steers in the pens here to J. W. Matthews for \$36 per head.

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When you buy property in Cotulla you make no mistake.

Considerable tree planting has been done in town the past three weeks. We are glad to see this, and we hope that many more will be put out before spring opens.

What other country in the United States is turning fat cattle off the range at this time of the year except Southwest Texas. Next we will be shipping our Northern friends the famous Bermuda onions to cook with beef-steak.

In a very short time now the newspapers will have something else to write about. Major Penrose is to be court-martialed for neglect of duty on the night that the negro soldiers shot up Brownsville.

What excuse can you give for not wanting Cotulla incorporated? It is the first step of progress, and where is the man with cobwebs in his eyes so thick that he would hesitate to step up and out of present conditions?

The flocking of Japanese into Southwest Texas just at this time will relieve the labor famine to a great extent. The Japs are strong and good workers and although not accustomed to American ways are quick to catch on.

Millett, the thriving town in the northern part of La Salle is to have a new first class hotel—a regular "Menger" so to speak. There's something doing, and there's going to be more doing in every part of La Salle.

A bill has been introduced by Senator Hud-peth asking for an appropriation of \$100,000 for the extermination of wild animals. The bill provides for the payment of \$1 per head on coyote scalps and \$5 for lobo wolf scalps. It is more than probable that the bill will be defeated as the members from East and North Texas believe in letting West Texas take care of her own troubles.

Among the first questions a homeseeker asks is: "Where is your school house?" We can point with pride to our Churches and Court House, but did you know that our school house looked like 30 cents when compared with the other public buildings? It's a fact. Before many months we hope to see a new, modern building where the present one stands. We must have it. Good schools are the best town builders.

The anti-nepotism bill has passed the Senate. The bill makes it an offense not only punishable by fine but the removal from office for any officer, from State to Precinct to appoint or vote for the appointment of any person related to him by affinity consanguinity within the third degree to any clerkship, office, position, employment or any duty in any department of which such officer may be a member. This bill passed the Senate without a dissenting vote but it is expected to meet opposition in the House.

A short six years ago when the beautiful island city of Galveston was almost destroyed by wind and water and the world was staggered by the fearful catastrophe, it will be remembered that among the very first hands of aid came from William Randolph Hearst, who sent with the greatest speed to the stricken city a train load of provisions and half a hundred trained nurses. The newspapers of the state lauded him to the skies for his magnanimity. Today we find some of these same newspapers condemning him, but if you will investigate closely it will be found that they are few and far between.

The growing of Cotulla calls forcibly to us the fact that our present school building will in a year or two be entirely too small to accommodate the children of our citizens. An addition was put on last fall because it was necessary and we believe by the beginning of the next school term the population of our town will have increased until the building will be entirely inadequate. Means and ways must be made for the erection of a first class school building and the sooner our people get to thinking on the proposition the better, because the time is not far distant when it will be necessary to act.

The Crime of the Democracy.

The La Porte Chronicle, a republican paper, under the head, "The Crime of the Democracy," says:

The election of Mr. Bailey presents a spectacle probably without a parallel in the history of American politics. It has not been Bailey's honor that has been in the balance. The power of the great state of Texas to rise above partisan prejudice and personal favoritism has been tested, and the state has lost in the estimation of an enlightened citizenship. She has gone down before the bar of public opinion, hastened in her downfall by the haughty, arrogant and menacing conduct of a brag-

gart, whose brazen declaration that he did no wrong, is as repulsive to the finer senses as it is destitute of truth.

Mr. Bailey stalked up and down the length and breadth of Texas, calling his "fellow countrymen" liars and defamers of his personal character; he crammed down the throats of the people the proposition that democracy could do no wrong and forced many to accept the false theory that he was the party's nominee; he vilified every man who had the decency and honor to suggest an inquiry into his official integrity or fitness to represent the people and threatened with complete political annihilation every man who dared to withhold his support from this idol of the Standard Oil monopoly. He has forced a victory in the face of the most damaging indictment ever drawn against an American in public life.

Mr. Bailey had nothing to lose by submitting gracefully to, or even demanding a full investigation of the charges. If he is innocent, he would have been vindicated and the honor of Texas preserved. Now, if he is convicted, he may never be permitted to take his seat in the senate of the United States, while Texas will have brought upon herself an everlasting shame.

This is not a question of party politics. The republicans of Texas have had no hand in the matter. They have had no candidate who sought to displace Bailey. It has been a question of public probity on one side with high-handed personal and party expediency on the other.

This shameful performance will be written in history as the unpardonable crime of the Texas democracy.

Harry Thaw, the New York degenerate murder of Stanford White is on trial for his life.

LOCAL SNAP SHOTS

The new turn table at Cotulla is almost completed. The old table was in such a shape that it was difficult to turn engines.

M. J. Barlow is having improvements made on the Star Saloon building. An awning is being built in front and an addition 20x28 put on in the rear to be used as a pool room.

At a meeting of the Jolly Hay-makers one night last week, Roy Miller, Ed Evetts, Will Jackson and Carl Wildenthal were initiated into the mysteries of that noble order.

Jno. R. Black brought down 20 Japanese from San Antonio Monday morning and took them to his ranch to grub land. Mr. Black says they are an energetic bunch and that they are clearing land in a hurry. As soon as he gets in a position to handle them he will bring in some more.

W. E. Campbell brought to our office Tuesday the head of a large catfish which was indeed a curiosity. The fish weighed about 35 pounds and was of the "blue cat" species. But this fish was as white as the driven snow with the exception of a few blue spots over it. Mr. Campbell said that his cook, Doc Murray killed it in the Frio. He found the fish in shallow water and shot it. It was a freak indeed. Many people saw the head at our office and none of them ever saw anything like it. Mr. Campbell said he skinned the fish and will bring the hide in from his camp next time he comes in.

The next number of the Lyceum Course is Ira Landrith, who will appear here next Monday night, 4th inst. Mr. Landrith is a speaker of national repute and is a prominent religious writer as well as speaker. The Knoxville (Tenn) Daily Herald says of him: "Dr. Ira Landrith of Nashville, the distinguished educator, editor, divine and orator, is in the prime of vigorous life, of inviting presence and magnetic personality. He is a candid type of physical manhood and the same plane therewith, he is a fervent, finished, brilliant orator and sweeps from grave to gay the emotions of his audience with all the felicity with which the great musician sweeps his harp strings."

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FARMER WILLIAMS' LESSON

In Time of Adversity He Got to Understand Who Were His Real Friends—Prosperity in Standing Together.

(Copyright, 1906, by Alfred C. Clark.)
 "What y' got there, Sis?" inquired Farmer Williams, as he kicked off his felt boots and set them carefully behind the stove to dry. "That's what I thought it looked like, one of them there Chicago catylogs, though I hain't seen one cost for quite a few years back. Me an' your ma ust to buy mighty nigh everything we used out of them catylogs when we first come to Kansas. Land sakes, I have to laugh now sometimes when I think of the way we would git kitched on in while. They's some cheap things in them catylogs, an' then agin they's a lot 't ain't so cheap. Y' never kin tell till they come, an' then it's too late to send 'em back. But as I was a sayin', he hain't bought nothin' out of a catylog fer a right smart o' years now, an' the way it come about I had as well tell y', cause I don't think y' really remember much about it.

"When we come to Kansas long in the first of the '80's we got along right well. We was able to pay cash for what we got, and we got the money fer everything we sold. We was payin' out on the place right along; crops was purty good an' we was a feelin' like the Lord was a smilin' on our efforts, and the happy home we dreamed about when we first got married was in sight.

But they come a change in Kansas long in the last half of the '80's. Times got hard and kep' a gittin' tighter. Four straight years it was so dry y' had to soak the hogs afore they'd hold swill—though I will say they was some extry reason on account of the swill bein' so thin—wheat jest died in the ground fer want of rain, and the hot winds biled the everlastin' say out of the corn. They wasn't no pasture, no nothin'. You can know we was a feelin' purty blue about that time, but we was young and strong, and thought with the chickens an' hogs we could git through anyway.

"Then one day you got to complainin' and lookin' so thin it worried us. Your ma is a middlin' good doctor, take it all around, but nothin' she could think of done you any good. Well, you kep' a gittin' pindlier and pindlier, till you got so sot y' wouldn't do nothin' but set in a chair by the kitchen stove, wrapped in your ma's old shawl, an' you looked so pitiful that we made up our minds to have the doctor, even if it took th' last chicken on the place. Well, he come, and after he'd looked at you awhile an' felt your pulse, he shet his watch up with a snap, an' says, quiet like: 'Better fix up a warm place fer her in the front room, don't have too much light nor any drafts to strike her.' Then we knowed it wan't no small sickness we had to fight, an' when we got you fixed up in bed I follered Doc. out on the porch an' I says: 'Well, Doc,' sez I, 'what's the matter with our little girl?'

"I don't want to skeer ye, Mr. Williams," says he, "but I'm afraid she's in for a siege of typhoid fever."
 "Well, after he was gone I went out in the kitchen an' told your ma, but she says, brave as kin be: 'Well, Ezra, if the Lord has seen fit to put that much more on our load we must bear up an' fight it out doin' our duty the best we kin, leavin' the rest to him.' An' I thought so too. So we jest kep' our hearts brave an' done what seemed right 't do.

"The hardest thing was to figure out where 't git the medicine, an' fruit, an' dainty things your sickness called



"Why Cert'nee, Mr. Williams, Jest Let Us Know What You Want."

for. We hadn't been tradin' much with the stores in Huston, buyin' mostly from the catylog folks y' know, an' so we didn't have any credit there to speak of. But I went 't Foster, the druggist, an' I told him how things was. I didn't have no money 't pay fer th' medicine an' things, an' the prospects for the next year was as poor er poorer than th' last.

"Why cert'nee, Mr. Williams," he says, "jest let us know what you want an' we'll carry you along till times come better fer you. We're all in a tight pinch now, but if we hang 'tgeth'er things is all goin' to come out right

in the end. I have faith in th' country, an' in the people that live here, an' nobody's sick baby is a goin' to suffer if I kin help any."
 "Well, it was the same thing at Harlow's grocery, an' th' coal yard, everywhere in th' town. 'Cert'nee, Mr. Williams, we'll see y' through on this.' It made me feel mean an' small some way, though I don't know why. An' often when they'd put in a few oranges or somethin' like that, sayin' in a 'pologizin' sort of way, 'little somethin' fer th' sick baby, Williams,' why somehow it made a hard lump come up in my throat, an' I had a queer feelin' in my eyes, kinder achy like, y' know.

"Well, to be short about it, fer eight weeks you kep' a gittin' weaker an' weaker, an' we kep' a feelin' more 'n more hopeless. It was a sad Christmas in our home that year. Your ma was jest wore out with watchin' an' tryin' to do her work between times, an' I was so nigh sick with trouble an' discouragement 't I ust to go around by the barn an' jest cry like a baby. But I never let on to your ma though, ner she 't me. We tried 't encourage each other though we knowed in our hearts 't all our cheerf' words was lies, an' each one knowed the other knowed it too.

"Well, jest th' night before New Years Doc. called us outside your



I Sez: Les Burn It.

room. Oh, how my heart sunk then! 'I don't want to hold out any false hopes to you people,' he says, 'but I think with proper care from now on, your little girl is goin' 't git well.'

Elsie, it seemed jest like a ton of hay had been lifted off my chest right there. As fer your ma, why she jest busted down an' cried as hard as she could. After Doc. was gone we went out to the kitchen an' kneeled down right there an' thanked God fer the most glorious New Year's gift he ever give 't anybody in th' world—the health of our baby girl. You know your pa ain't no rater er shouter; yer ma bein' a Baptist has furnished most of th' religion for our house, but jest then I seen how it was that they comes times in people's lives when they've jest got to have somethin' bigger an' greater than anything but man 't turn to with a great joy er a great sorrow.

"Well, it was a long time yet before you was strong enough 't play out doors, an' it was a hard winter. I burned every post of the fence around the south eighty fer firewood afore it was over. But it seemed like we had so much 't be thankful fer that we was strong 't care fer any an' of th' smaller troubles that we come across.

"It really hain't so bad to look back at it now after th' trouble is over, but them hard years in Kansas drove nearly all our neighbors 't give up their land an' move away, broke in hopes an' pocketbook. Them of us as stayed is purty well fixed now, but we fit fer everything we got, an' it fit hard, too. An', O, yes, about th' catylogs. Well after you was well an' things begun 't take a turn fer th' better, one night ma brought out that Chicago book an' laid it on the kitchen table an' says: 'Ezra, what do you want 't do with this?' An' I sez: 'Les burn it.' An' your ma sez: 'Jest what I was thinkin', too.' An' so we did burn it, an' what's more, we ain't never had one in th' house since, an' we never send away fer anything we can git at any of the stores in Huston, 'cause we want to deal with them as has an int'rest in the country we live in, an' in us people that live close by.

"Why, you needn't of put yours in th' stove, too, Elsie, I didn't mean—yes, I don't know but what it's jest as well y' done it after all."

Folk Denounces Mail-Order Idea.
 Addressing a meeting of retail merchants in Jefferson city recently, Governor Folk, of Missouri, said:

"We are proud of our splendid cities, and we want to increase wealth and population, and we also want our country towns to grow. We wish the city merchants to build up, but we also desire the country merchants to prosper. I do not believe in the mail order citizen. If a place is good enough for a man to live in and to make his money in, its good enough for him to spend his money in.

"No merchant can succeed without advertising in one way or another. Patronize your town papers, build them up, and they will build the town up in increased trade and greater opportunities. Do not be afraid that business is going to be hurt by the recent exposures of wrong-doing in the commercial world."

Mixture of Many Nations.
 Louis N. Parker, the dramatist, was born in France; his father was an American, his mother an English woman; his first language was Italian and he was educated in Germany.

5 BUILDING FACTORIES

The Styles of Diamond Brand Shoes are Exclusive

An office of our company designs our styles and patterns—and does nothing but the usual attention to detail only in originality and results no other of style, but in correctnes truer patterns and better fit. This is one reason why Diamond Brand Shoes are snug up under the arch and hold their shape so nicely.

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Photos 1.00 per dozen and up.

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Directory

CHURCHES

METHODIST—Rev. T. G. Woods, Pastor, regular services every 2nd and 4th Sundays. Sunday School every Sunday, T. R. Keck, Supt.

PRESBYTERIAN—Rev. F. A. Barnes, Pastor. Regular services 1st and 3rd Sundays. Sunday School every Sunday, F. A. Barnes and J. H. Gallman, Supts.

BAPTIST—Rev. W. G. Gilstrap, Pastor, regular services every 1st and 3rd Sundays, Sunday School every Sunday, Song practice every Tuesday night.

SOCIETIES

A. F. & A. M.—Cotulla Lodge No. 892A. F. & A. M. meets Saturday night after the full moon of each month. W. A. KERR, W. M., C. E. MANLY, Secretary.

EASTERN STAR—Eastern Star meets Friday afternoon before full moon in each month. W. G. Johnson, W. P., Mrs. L. A. Kerr, W. M., Mrs. L. W. Gaddis, Secretary.

W. O. W.—La Salle Camp No. 125, Woodman of the World, meets every 1st and 3rd Monday night of each month. ROLAND A. GUGGER, C. C. B. F. CLAUSER, Secretary.

CONTRACT SIGNED FOR CARRIZO ROAD.

WORK EXPECTED TO COMMENCE IN NINETY DAYS.

From the Javelin.

Mr. Geo. B. Jenkinson of New York, our railroad promoter, came in on Saturday last and left on Tuesday morning, to return within a week.

On his visit here Mr. Jenkinson was accompanied by the following gentlemen: A. W. Raht, a civil engineer of Henrietta, Texas; W. H. Myers, a prominent business man of Henrietta; A. M. EeElwee of Fort Worth and Col. W. A. H. Miller of Cotulla.

While here Mr. Jenkinson met with the railroad committee and the bonus was gone over, and was found to be short of the desired amount; and too, unsatisfactory conditions were incorporated in some of the notes.

However, a contract was signed whereby work is to commence within ninety days and the road to be completed within eleven months, the committee agreeing to put the bonus in satisfactory shape before active work shall commence.

Already the committee have had most of the notes corrected, and have received some additions to the bonus. Let all interested parties, who have not already done so, come up with their proper quota, and there will be no doubt of our securing the railroad within the time named.

Let The Entire South Rejoice.

The entire South should feel proud of the fact that it is the possessor of America's greatest commercial school. The January enrollment of the Tyler Commercial College of Tyler, Texas, surpassed in numbers that of any other American College. More than 300 enrollments of new students were recorded during the month, which is more than the number enrolled by any other commercial school.

This now famous institution opened its door to the public just seven years ago. It has had a rapid and continual growth each year. Its wonderful success is due mainly to its use of the famous Bryne Simplified Shorthand and Practical Bookkeeping and Business Training, its employing none but the very best and most progressive teaching talent, its progressive, honest business methods, its deep interest in its students, not only while in school, but in placing them in positions and helping them to succeed after graduating. This institution can now point with pride to its graduates in the highest positions in every walk of commercial life. Its courses of Bookkeeping, Business Training, Shorthand, Typewriting Telegraphy and Station work are the most thorough and complete. Let the entire South now rejoice that it can boast of not only one of the largest commercial schools in America, but one of the most thorough and practical one that is enabling young men and women to more than thrive their earning character and honesty, a school that holds that all true education is based on character and honesty a school that strives hard to strengthen each and every student morally as well as in the technical and practical knowledge of Bookkeeping, Business Training, Shorthand, Typewriting.

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COTULLA, TEXAS.

DON'T YOU CARE

if you have forgotten. Just walk in and buy anything you think your wife will want. The quality will be so good—things generally will be so satisfactory—that she can't help but be pleased. We know perfectly well, that you will buy your groceries where you can get the most for your money, and where that most will be purely good. Knowing this, we wouldn't be foolish enough to tell you we keep the best at the lowest prices if it were not so.

JNO. P. GUINN.

From the Best Sources

How and where a grocery stock is bought determines its value and quality. We could buy cheap stuff and sell to you at cheap prices. You might think we would be good people to trade with—but—we wouldn't be. We buy from the best sources, pay fair prices, and charge you a fair profit—just enough to pay for handling the goods. We wouldn't touch cheap quality for a great deal. We intend to maintain our reputation for honesty in all things.

GEO. E. TARVER.

ONION FARM—of 72 acres for sale. On Onion Spur one mile from Cotulla post office. Will sell farm with or without crop. 18 acres transplanted onions. Call on or address, E. D. COHENOUR, Cotulla, Texas.

LOST—Gold neck chain with bangle attached, between school house and Dr. Talbot's residence. Reward. Return to this office.



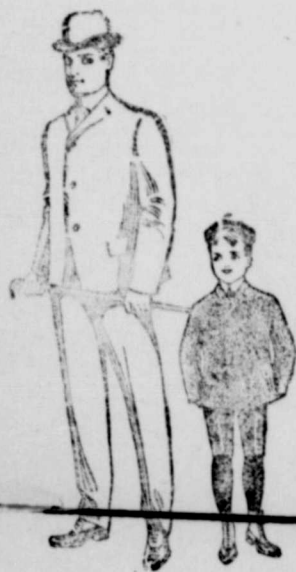
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San Antonio, Texas.

102 E. Crockett St.,
Next the river.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE STOCKMENS NATIONAL BANK

AT COTULLA, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, JAN. 26TH 1907.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	\$126,357.47
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	1,922.98
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	69,000.00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	2,254.00
Bonds, securities, etc.	10,721.77
Due from National Banks (not reserve agents)	21,869.45
Due from approved reserve agents	37,583.33
Checks and other cash items	3,425.81
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	2.45
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	3028.50
Legal-tender notes	1759.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	3,000.00
Due from U. S. Treasurer, other than 5 per cent redemption fund	900.00
Total	\$272,815.76

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	75,000.00
Surplus fund	15,000.00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	1,478.28
National Bank notes outstanding	60,000.00
Dividends unpaid	296.00
Individual deposits subject to check	121,041.38
Total	\$272,815.76

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF LA SALLE, ss:

I, L. A. Kerr, President of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

L. A. KERR, President.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 1st day of February, 1907.

W. A. KERR,
Notary Public.

Correct-Attest:
G. W. HENRICHSON,
L. W. GADDIS,
T. R. KECK,
Directors.

Dissolution Notice.

The firm of Stallings & Oliver, (Dentists) has been dissolved by mutual consent. Dr. Oliver opening an office for himself and Dr. Stallings continuing business at the same office as heretofore.

Lectures.

An unusual opportunity is offered Cotulla next week. It is to hear Rev. G. W. Painter, D. D., who has spent 33 years in China and who has ability to make it tell in lectures. He can be here only one day but will lecture twice at the Presbyterian church, Tuesday, at 4 p. m., on "The Condition of Women in China," at 8 p. m., on "Conditions in the Far East in relation to Foreign Mission Work." These lectures will interest you. Come and bring your neighbors. Seats free and no collection.

F. A. BARNES, Pastor.

TO THE ACTUAL HOMESEAKER:

We have for sale a number of the most desirable improved Ranches and Farms in La-Salle County, all close in and on the railroad and at prices less than you will have to

pay for unimproved places. All of our propositions have upon them an abundance of PURE WATER, together with good dwelling houses, fields, wells and windmills, barns, etc., all being under good fences, so that you do not have to wait for labor to have your lands cleared for cultivation, dig wells or build your houses.

In river lands we have tracts ranging from 300 to 3000 acres which are the very best irrigation propositions now on the market, at prices ranging from ten to twenty dollars per acre.

If you are an actual settler and mean business call and see our list, we can suit you both in lands and prices; should you desire unimproved property we can cut you tracts from 80 to 320 or more at rock bottom prices.

Knaggs & Jennings.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Dr. J. D. Motheral was called to Millett yesterday.

Show cases for sale at a bargain at R. A. Gilmer's.

J. M. Ramsey was in the city yesterday from Artesia.

R. J. Jennings returned Tuesday from San Antonio.

YOUR NEW WINTER SUIT—REED
All the counters and shelving at R. A. Gilmer's store for sale cheap.

Mrs. R. J. Jennings spent the week in San Antonio.

Orville Carr will call and deliver Laundry bundles.

W. T. Deopker made a flying business trip to San Antonio Tuesday.

Remember our special sales day Tuesday, Feb. 5th, Y. P. Bowen & Co.

3 pair Computing scales and 2 pr. platform scales for sale at R. A. Gilmer's.

G. B. Withers, a ranchman from the Encinal country was in Cotulla Wednesday.

Dr. E. A. Oliver will be in Cotulla Monday to remain one week. First class dental work.

W. H. Jackson bought this week lots 15 and 16 in block 1, East Heights addition.

V. H. Harding, cashier of the State Bank made a business trip to San Antonio first of the week.

One bank safe 36x56, also one safe 28x34 for sale at R. A. Gilmer's.

Miss Dottie Wear left Wednesday for Monterey, Mex., where she expects to make her home, for awhile at least.

J. J. Campbell was here this week and shipped out about 50 bales of cotton that Campbell & Sons have had stored here.

Yesterday was an extremely warm day. The dead of winter and yet all the appearance of spring time.

Jack Baylor, manager of the La Motte Ranch was in town Thursday and was accompanied by his sister, Miss Mary.

For Sale—My place in Cotulla, splendidly located and well improved. Call at residence for further particulars. G. PHILIP

L. W. Gaddis, proprietor of Gaddis' Pharmacy was confined in his room several days this week the grippe.

NOTICE.—All parties are hereby forbidden to haul wood from my pasture.

W. P. BUTLER.

Geo. H. Knaggs and W. T. Deopker have formed a partnership in the Abstract business. Their office is on Front Street.

Mrs. Lawson of Laredo came up yesterday morning in the interest of the order of Loyal Americans, which has just been organized here.

Dental Notice—Dr. E. A. Oliver of Pearsall will be in Cotulla Monday prepared to do all kinds of dental work. Will be here only one week.

H. H. Mills, a prosperous stock farmer of the Dilley country was in Cotulla Thursday. Mr. Mills said Dilley was building fast and farm after farm was being opened up in that section.

Tuesday, Feb. 5th, will be special sales day on all winter goods such as cloaks, underwear, ladies skirts, mens suits, hosiery, etc, which will go at cost, to make room for our nice spring line of dress goods, at Y. P. Bowen & Co.

W. H. Robbins has finished sinking a well on the lots he bought on East Heights. Plenty of exceptionally good water was found at 78 feet. He says the water is almost as good as cistern water.

W. T. Hale of San Antonio is in the city the guest of Col. W. A. H. Miller. He will be here for several days looking at the country. Mr. Hale is a cousin of Col. Miller.

LOST—Small pocket book containing several notes, railroad pass and other papers. Liberal reward. Return to J. H. McGEHEE, 236 E. Houston St., San Antonio or the Record office.

Chas. Obetts, a prominent planter of Moore was here one day this week. Mr. Obetts said his section was in a flourishing condition. He is advertising in this issue Mabean Cotton Seed and says he can furnish any quantity of them.

We acknowledge receipt of a can of open kettle ribbon cane molasses, sent us by Asher Richardson from his Eagle's Nest ranch. This molasses is as good as was ever made and Mr. Richardson especially recommends it to ladies who have cross-grained husbands. He says it will sweeten their temper every time. It is put up in cans that hold 20 per cent more than the ordinary so-called gallon molasses can. It is for sale in Cotulla by Geo. E. Tarver and Jno. P. Guinn.

Your attention is called to the Statement of the Stockmens National Bank published in this issue, which is indeed creditable, and is the best showing since the bank has been in business. The deposits are over \$60,000 more than for the same month last year.

H. B. Gouger, County Judge of Wilson county, in company with his wife are here visiting their nephew Roland Gouger and family. Mr. Gouger says rain is needed over in that section, but there is still enough moisture in the ground for farmers to plow.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Allee came in from the ranch Wednesday night for the Oyster Supper, but like many other people from the country were disappointed on account of the oysters not coming. However, they remained over until Thursday night and enjoyed the occasion.

Mabean Cotton Seed for sale, either local or car lots. Guaranteed absolutely pure. Orange Cane Seed, free of Johnson and Bermuda grass. California Pink Beans, Alabama Sweet Water Melon Seed, carefully selected from 20lb average melons.

Cantaloupe Seed. For prices apply to C. H. OBETS, Devine, Texas.

For Sale At Cost.

Crockery, Glassware, Overalls, Jackets, Pants, Shirts, Blankets, Shoes and Hosiery. R. A. Gilmer.

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V. H. Harding, Cashier.
J. H. Gallman, Asst. Cashier.

DIRECTORS.

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Jno. M. Daniel,
Roland A. Gouger,
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Cotulla State Bank,

CAPITAL STOCK \$25,000

Open for business 7th day of January A. D. 1907.

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Bank Opens 8 A. M., Closes 6 P. M.