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\$1 IN ADVANCE

WEDNESDAY, 15TH

WILL BE AN INTERESTING DAY AT K. BURWELL'S

WHY?

Because that is the day set apart for a Special Sale of Bleached and Brown Cotton. In the face of high cotton and the scarcity on the market of these goods we are going to have a Special Day of Cut Prices on this one thing, and remember it is for one day only, WEDNESDAY, MAY 15TH.

K. BURWELL.

HIGHEST CASH PRICES PAID THIS WEEK.

ONIONS SOLD AT COTULLA FOR \$1.50 PER CRATE.

One Hundred and Fifty-two Carloads Have Been Shipped to Date.

The week past has been very favorable for the onion harvest and many carloads have moved. Up to last night one hundred and fifty-two cars had been shipped from Cotulla.

Prices are still climbing and have already gone where the most optimistic grower never dreamed they would. \$1.50 cash per crate was paid here this week, the highest f. o. b. price ever paid since the onion industry started. The market opened at about 90c and notwithstanding that about 1000 carloads out of Southwest Texas have been put on the market inside of forty days, the price has steadily climbed.

The growers who pulled their onions early—before they were grown or matured, lost for themselves in many instances as much as \$100.00 per acre, and they are now regretting it.

Nearly all of the growers in the Nueces Valley have about finished up. However, there are two or three who have just commenced. E. A. Keek has just begun harvesting and E. T. Lesterjette has shipped only one car.

E. D. Cohenour has returns from the Association for six of his cars, which net him \$3550.00. He has 9 cars yet to hear from and all of them went on the high market.

Talbott & Guthrey received a check for their first car Monday. It read \$674.25. All of their stuff went through the Association.

Frank Rock informed us that he would wind up today. He gathered 3730 crates off of 10 3/4 acres. He sold one car yesterday to J. H. Davis for \$1.50.

J. H. Daniel contracted the remaining half of his crop first of the

week to R. H. Seefeld, for \$1.25 per crate. This is the highest crop contract price that has been made.

Growers are receiving returns nearly every day and they are all getting over \$600 a car.

A crate of onions from the W. L. Hargus farm was on exhibition at Tarver's store this morning. In the crate were 60 onions which weighed 65 pounds.

Potatoes to Denver.

Kurt Shroeter shipped the first car of new potatoes out of Cotulla yesterday. They were fine large potatoes and went to Denver.

Business Houses Close at 6 O'clock.

An agreement was signed this week by every hardware, dry goods and grocery firm in the city, with the exception of Y. P. Bowen & Co., pledging themselves to close their places of business every day except Saturday at 6 p. m. This will go into effect Monday.

The business houses in nearly all towns along the line are now closing at this hour. This enables the clerks to get an hour or two of recreation before dark.

Big Barbecue.

There will be a big barbecue at Dilley May 17th. A ball game has been arranged and a general good time is anticipated. Everybody is invited.

Dentist Coming.

Dr. Goodman, of Devine, formerly of the Chicago Dental Parlors of San Antonio, will be in Cotulla Monday for one week. First class dental work, and a guarantee with every job.

Broke His Arm.

Miram Coleman, while loading a bundle of hides at the depot Wednesday fell from the platform and broke his left arm just above the wrist. He had this arm broken once before above the elbow.

Business Men Get Busy.

The Business Mens' Club which existed a year or so ago, was re-organized at the Court House Wednesday night. Col. W. A. H. Miller made a splendid talk and urged the people to get busy.

Nine directors were elected, as follows: W. A. H. Miller, F. B. Earnest, L. W. Gaddis, V. H. Harding, Jno. M. Daniel, T. R. Keek, L. A. Kerr, G. W. Henrichson and J. D. Motheral.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors afterward L. A. Kerr was elected as President, W. A. H. Miller, 1st Vice-Pres., W. A. Kerr, Secretary and C. E. Manly, Treasurer. The following committees were then appointed:

Executive and Finance.

V. H. Harding, Chairman.
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Simon Cotulla.

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Geo. Copp.

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T. R. Keek.

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C. C. Thomas,
T. H. Poole,
Jno. P. Guinn,
C. F. Binkley.

A Word in Behalf of the Clerks.

We understand there is some little dissatisfaction among some of the merchants in regard to making the closing hour of the stores in Cotulla at 6 p. m.

Certainly this should not be, for these stores will do just as much business by closing their doors at doors at six o'clock as they would should they remain open till 9. The idea of this early closing is to give the clerks a little recreation. A large per cent of them go on duty at six o'clock and to remain behind the counter twelve hours during the hot summer days is certainly long enough. Carpenters, and nearly all other laborers end their day's work at six o'clock, and it is nothing but right that the clerk should. He is tied up in a building and has no chance for outdoor exercise, which is essential to good health, and without which he cannot give his employer good service.

Keep a man behind the counter until nine o'clock at night—15 hours, and when he gets out he is dead on his feet. Goes to bed exhausted and gets up feeling the same way. He's half dead all the time. Is it possible for a clerk like this to give his employer the good, honest service he would if allowed to get out a couple of hours in the bracing breeze of the evening and fill his lungs with pure ozone. We say no!

Give the clerks a little rest every evening. When labor in almost every branch is ended for the day, don't keep the clerks toiling on. The world wasn't made in a day; neither can all the gold and the silver be rounded in, in a day. The clerk who gets out at six o'clock will be behind the counter on time the following morning, refreshed, full of energy, and will make more sales for you than the haggard and worn out young man or woman whom you kept watching for customers until 9 o'clock the night previous.

At Devine all stores close at six o'clock. At Pearsall all stores

close at six o'clock. At Dilley all stores close at six o'clock. At six o'clock all clerks in all of these towns are free to go where they may for recreation. The merchants of these towns are satisfied with having their doors open 12 hours, and certainly the merchants of Cotulla should be satisfied with the same.

Give the clerks a chance. Don't grind their lives out. Don't shorten their existence by keeping them on duty 15 hours out of every 24 during the hot summer months.

Steers from Cotulla Have Topped Ft. Worth Market for Two Years.

The George W. Saunders Commission Company of San Antonio and Fort Worth report a gradual increase in their business at both markets and wish to thank the public for their liberal patronage. This firm sold the first grass steers for 4 cents and better at Fort Worth the last three successive years. In 1905 they sold a string of grass steers for Guy Borden of San Antonio for \$4.10; up to that sale \$3.85 had been the top notch for grass steers. In 1906 they sold four loads for F. D. McMahon of Cotulla at 4 cents; up to that sale \$3.75 was the top notch. In 1907 they sold four cars for W. H. Jennings of Cotulla for \$4.10; up to that sale \$3.75 had been the top notch for grass steers. This firm sold the first car of hogs in 1907 at 7 cents that had brought that price in three years. This firm sold 1000 grass hogs for W. C. and E. M. Irvin of Cotulla during last January and February at top market price, which net \$36.16 per head.—S. A. Express.

Religious Services.

Owing to the absence of the pastor, Rev. F. A. Baraes, there was no services at the Presbyterian Church last Sunday but the pulpit will be occupied tomorrow instead. There will be a meeting of the session for the reception of members after morning service.

NOTES FROM ENCINAL.

Encinal, Texas, May 8.—A Union Sunday school has been organized here within the past two weeks which promises to be quite a success.

The Encinal fans had all the sport that they could have possibly wished for in a hard fought nine inning game, played on the Encinal diamond, in which the "Encinal Tossers" came off with the victor's laurels over the "Dilley Invincibles" by the small margin of one tally.

Just keep your 'off eye' on Encinal and watch us grow! ! ! !

"The La Salle County News," edited by Isadore Moritz, will make its appearance on or about the 29th of this month or the first of June. Subscribe for the News and help push Encinal and La Salle county to the front. Correspondence is cordially solicited from every town and settlement in this county.

The "Atlee Special" from Laredo took quite a number of Encinal citizens to Atlee, one of the youngest towns in the State, Tuesday where they went more for a good time than to purchase lots. Among those who went to Atlee from this place were: Jas. Breeding and children, Sam Jordan and family, Geo. Stubberfield, J. R. Rodriguez, S. A. James, Chester Smith, Scott Cobb and family, Dr. E. Brock and family, Mrs. A. J. Landrum and family, S. McMullin and wife, Ed and John McMullin, Chas. and Arthur Rouse, Geo. Pettit and family, Miss Annie White and brother, Geo. Berry and family, Tom Salmon and family, Misses Nettie, Laura and Lola Salmon, Mr. Welhausen and family, A. N. Mann and family, L. W. Robb and family, James Buckley and sisters, W. J. Pettit and family, Tom Bowlin, O. Pratt, Jack Hill and family, James and Dan Carr, John Potts, Miss Kuykendall, Mr. Lindsey, Mrs. Buckley and children, Mr. Bell and family, Mrs. Reed, J. B. Moore and family, Prof. Morgan and Albert Mathews.

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SATURDAY MAY, 11 1907.

Don't you wish you was an onion grower?

San Antonio's political pot is red-hot.

A new town was born in La Salle last Tuesday—and its name is Atlee.

If you are interested in Cotulla line up with the Business Men's Club and get busy.

If you live in Cotulla, for Cotulla and work for Cotulla, or move on to Knockersville.

5000 population by 1910 for Cotulla—that's what the Business Men's Club is going after.

The Business Men's Club is going after all that Cotulla is entitled to, and that's a whole lot.

Pearsall is doing some hustling to get a cotton compress. Frio is one of the greatest cotton raising places in Southwest Texas and compress.

CORD would like to have some of its readers on a mission. We think Cotulla should be incorporated. It's the time of progress. Let us see what you think about it.

After a peaceful slumber of a year the Business Men's Club has been re-organized and we believe they mean business this time. Much is to be done and the proper efforts will accomplish a great deal.

Editor Dubose of the Devine News won a Free lot at Atlee in the drawing at the Auction Sale, but from the trend of his article on the excursion, we do not presume that he intends moving the News plant to the new-born city at an early date.

The people of Texas will be asked to vote on six Amendments to the Constitution in August. All of the proposed amendments are published in this issue of the Record. Read them and post up in order that you may vote intelligently when the time comes.

THE LA SALLE COUNTY NEWS will be the name of a new publication that will make its appearance at Encinal about June 1st. Mr. Isadore Moritz, recently of the Pleasanton Monitor will be the editor and proprietor of the new paper. A newspaper will be of great benefit in aiding in the development of the Encinal part of the county and the citizens of that little city should give it their liberal support.

The Pearsall Leader of May 2nd came out in a special edition of 20 pages printed on book paper. The edition was illustrated with scenes on farms and ranches, photographs of Frio's officials, the leading pastors and lawyers, and the magnificent public buildings of which the little city boasts. The Leader is all right. It is doing a good work for Pearsall and Pearsall should appreciate it by a most liberal support.

BUSINESS MEN RE-ORGANIZE.

There was a reorganization of Business Men's Club of Cotulla at the Court House Wednesday night, and we believe that after a slumber of more than a year, the Club has awakened to the interests of the town in the fullest sense of the word. The members have had a long and a peaceful rest, and in the re-organization have started in upon the work, refreshed vigorous, enthusiastic, and with a determination to get what they go after and go after everything in sight that will in any way be a benefit in the upbuilding of Cotulla in particular and La Salle county in general.

There is much work waiting for the Club and we expect to see it get busy on short notice. The first thing we understand, will be to clean up the town, especially the business section, and ways and means provided for keeping it clean. Should the Club accomplish this much and nothing more it would be a great thing, for the Lord knows Cotulla's dirty streets are a disgrace to civilization. But it will not stop here. Efforts will be made immediately to induce the county fathers to sink a well on the Court House square and beautify the grounds. No other county in the Southwest has such a pretty Court House located or such an ideal site, yet it is the only one that is not surrounded by shade trees and green lawns. An effort will be made to provide means and ways for putting in first class condition all streets of the town, and have all brush cleared from vacant lots. Steps will be taken with a view of securing for Cotulla a pickling and canning factory. Each year we see how badly a plant of this kind is needed. In the irrigated fields adjacent to Cotulla tons of produce annually go to waste that would be money to the farmer if there was a cannery at hand.

United action and a determination to push ahead can perform wonders. Cotulla has the natural location to command many enterprises and if they are gone after in the right way they can be secured.

We believe that the re-organized Club means business and we will soon see results. They're after anything and everything that will help us grow. They're after a population of 5000 by 1910—watch'em get it. They're off!

Not since onions have been grown in the Nueces Valley have prices been as high as they are this season. Selling for three cents a pound f. o. b. station. Just think of it, and some of the farmers got as high as 25000 pounds off a single acre! Do not understand us to say that the average yield this year is 25000 pounds, for it is not. It will run about 15000 pounds—\$450 per acre. Do you know of anything that beats it?

The "Atlee Special" was without a doubt the quietest excursion ever run in Texas, and we dare say that it was the first excursion ever run on which there were no drunks and no drinking. So much for the new law which prohibits drinking on trains and good officers who will enforce it. From the time the train started from Taylor, officers from Cotulla were in charge, and the law was strictly and impartially enforced. Several parties who brought booze on the train were forced to throw it out of the window. On the return of the train several parties attempted to get a few bottles of beer aboard at Cotulla. One of the officers promptly seized it and broke the bottles against a box car, and it was announced in every car that the first person caught with intoxicating liquors would be arrested. No further trouble occurred after that. The last place a man should tank up on nose paint is on a train where there are ladies, yet a lot of bullies never fail to do this very thing. The law which makes it an offense is a good one and if you don't think it will be enforced in La Salle county, just experiment.

CONCLUSIVE EVIDENCE.

The following letter is self explanatory, and shows conclusively the opinion the Vice-President a Gen. Manager of the Cotton B. Railway has of the Telegraphy department of the Tyley Commercial College, the leading school of Telegraphy in America.

Tyler, Texas, Feb. 5, 1907.
Tyler Commercial College,
Tyler, Texas.

Gentlemen.

This letter is given you in order to avoid having to answer so many letters of inquiry, relative to this Company's connection with your college, and I beg to state for the information of attending students, that we have placed a loop of our main line wire thru your college for the benefit of your students, and are furnishing you our telegraph and station blanks. We have also agreed to employ you telegraphy graduates who can pass our regular examination to fill vacancies coming up on this line, and will pay them the standard rate of wages for the position they are employed to fill.

The minimum salary paid operators is \$55 per month, 12 hours work constituting one day, all time in excess of 12 hours will be paid for on basis of prorata of regular rate. Operators called for special service after being excused by the dispatcher will be allowed fifty cents for the first hour and prorata of the regular rate thereafter.

Yours truly,

W. E. GREEN,

1st V. P. & Gen'l. Supt. St. Louis Southwestern Railway Co. of Texas.

BACK GIVES OUT.

Plenty of Cotulla Readers Have This Experience—

You tax the kidneys—overwork them—

They can't keep up the continual strain.

The back gives out—it aches and pains.

Ordinary troubles set in. Don't wait longer—take Doan's Kidney Pills.

Theodore Blumber, farmer living seven and three-fourths miles south of New Braunfels, Texas, says: "My kidneys had troubled me for a long time and often I did not feel fit for work on account of the heavy dull aching across the small of my back, extending down to the hips. On one occasion I was confined to my bed for several days, during which time I was hardly able to move. The secretions from the kidneys were very irregular, highly colored and accompanied by a scalding sensation. I read about Doan's Kidney Pills and procured a box. After using them a short time, the pains and aches disappeared and I could lie on my back, which I had not been able to do for a long time. The annoying and distressing difficulty with the kidney secretions was corrected. I cannot speak too highly in favor of Doan's Kidney Pills."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doans—and take no other.

FOR SALE—One pony horse gentle for children; also saddle and bridle. One buggy and harness, safe, stove and kitchen cabinet, one heating stove, 5 dining chairs, 3 rocking chairs, parlor suit of 4 pieces, walnut upholstered with plush, one nice bedroom suite, all walnut and in good condition.—R. W. WARREN, 2 miles East of Cotulla.

STRAYED OR STOLEN—One dun saddle horse about eight year old no brand, black stripe down back, black main and tail. Will give liberal reward for horse and \$100. for conviction of thief.—JOURD J. IRVIN, Cotulla Texas.

PLAIN TALK.

When you get up in the morning with a Headache, a Coated Tongue and a bad temper, don't scold your wife, box the children's ears, and make life miserable for everybody when you get down to the office.

Take a dose of SAL-TE-NA Effervescent Fruit Seltzer before breakfast. It will take the bad taste out of your mouth, sweeten your stomach, dispel the headache, give you a good appetite and put you in a good humor. Inside of an hour you will feel the laxative effects, and by the time you reach the office you will be ready for a big day's work.

SAL-TE-NA is entirely harmless. Doesn't depress the heart's action like headache tablets, doesn't gripe like cathartic pills. It is a natural laxative and tonic agreeable to the most delicate stomach.

Taken in half a glass of water makes a sparkling, pleasant drink.

Sold in 10, 25 and 50 cent bottles by leading druggists everywhere. For sale at Gaddis' Pharmacy.

FOR SALE—Mabon Cotton Seed in any quantity. Also Watermelon Seed. CHAS. OBERTS, Devine, Texas.

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Do you get your groceries at any store, or do you trade in a certain place? Whatever you do we want you to make a note of our name. You may not always be perfectly satisfied where you are, and when we'd like to have a try at satisfying you. If the best quality of goods, reasonable prices, and courteous treatment fail to satisfy you, you must indeed be hard to please.

JNO. P. GUINN.

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Capital Stock, \$75,000.

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Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Providing for the Creation of Improvement Districts in Certain Cities.

Joint Resolution amending Section 9, of Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the creation of improvement districts in cities of more than five thousand inhabitants, and charging the cost of certain improvements made therein against the abutting property.

Section 1. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That Section 9 of Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be so amended as to hereafter read as follows.

The State tax on property, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt, and of the taxes provided for the benefit of public free schools, shall never exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation; and no county, city or town shall levy more than twenty-five cents for city or county purposes, and not exceeding fifteen cents for roads and bridges, and not exceeding fifteen cents to pay jurors, on the hundred dollars valuation, except for payment of debts incurred prior to the adoption of the amendment September 25, A. D. 1883, and for the erection of public buildings, streets, sewers, water works and other permanent improvements, not to exceed twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation, in any one year, and except as is in this Constitution otherwise provided; and the Legislature may also authorize an additional annual ad valorem tax to be levied and collected for the further maintenance of the public roads; provided, that a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote such tax, not to exceed fifteen cents on the one hundred valuation, of the property subject to taxation in such county. And the Legislature may pass local laws for the maintenance of the public roads and highways, without the local notice required for special or local laws.

In addition to the foregoing, cities of more than five thousand inhabitants may lay out within their corporate limits, improvement districts in which they, by and with the consent of a majority of the taxpayers owning real estate therein, may build sidewalks and charge the cost thereof against the abutting property, and may build sewers and pave streets and charge one-third of the cost thereof against the abutting property on either side of the streets upon which such improvements are made in such district, and the amount charged against all such abutting property shall be deemed and held to be a tax against and a lien upon such abutting property, and the Legislature is required to enact laws prescribing the means for ascertaining the amount properly chargeable against each parcel of abutting property, and providing for the enforcement of its collection.

Sec. 2. The Governor is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for submitting this amendment to the Constitution of the qualified voters of the State of Texas on the first Tuesday in August, A. D. 1907, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots. "For the amendment to Section 9 of Article 8 of the Constitution, permitting property owners in cities of more than five thousand inhabitants to create improvement districts, one-third the cost of which to be charged against abutting property on either side of the street." And the voters opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the following: "Against the amendment to Section 9 of Article 8 of the Constitution, permitting property owners in cities of more than five thousand inhabitants to create improvement districts, one-third the cost

of which to be charged against abutting property on either side of the street."

Sec. 3. The lateness in the session, the crowded condition of the calendars of both houses, and the importance of this proposed amendment, create an emergency and an imperative public necessity demanding that the constitutional rule, and Senate Rule No. 37, requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and the same are hereby suspended. [A true copy.]

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Creating the Office of Commissioner of Agriculture.

Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article four (4) of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 27, providing for a Department of Agriculture, with a bureau of labor.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That Article (4) of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended by adding thereto Section 27, when a majority of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature of Texas at an election for that purpose shall vote in favor of the amendment, shall read as follows.

Section 27. The Legislature shall provide for the office of Commissioner of Agriculture, who shall be either elected by the qualified voters of the State, or appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of two-thirds of the Senate, as the Legislature may provide; whose term of office, duties and salary shall be prescribed by law; in which department there shall be established by the Legislature a bureau of labor, when required by the public interest.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue and have published the necessary proclamation for the submission of this resolution to the qualified voters for members of the Legislature of the State of Texas, as an amendment to the Constitution of Texas, to be voted upon on the first Tuesday in August, 1907. All persons favoring said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots, as follows: "For the amendment to the Constitution, providing for a Department of Agriculture and a Bureau of Labor." And those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots, as follows: "Against the amendment to the Constitution, providing for a Department of Agriculture and a Bureau of Labor." And the sum of (\$2000) two thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publications, proclamation and election. [A true copy.]

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing the Levy of a Road Tax.

Joint Resolution amending Section 9, of Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 9a, increasing the amount of tax that may be voted for the purpose of improving public roads, and to allow counties or political subdivisions of counties by a majority vote of the qualified property tax paying voters of the county, or subdivision thereof, voting at all elections, to be held for that purpose, to adopt same.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended by adding thereto Section 9a, which shall read as follows.

Section 9a. A majority of the

property tax paying voters in county or one or more political divisions thereof, in this State, at an election held for that purpose may vote a tax for road and bridge purposes not to exceed 30 cents on the \$100 valuation of property subject to taxation in such county or political subdivision of such county, or may issue bonds not to exceed 20 per cent of the assessed value of the real property in such district, for such road and bridge purposes, provided that such tax, or proceeds of such bonds shall be expended in the territory in which it is voted, and no other provision shall be self-enacting without the necessity of further legislation.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of Texas at the next general election shall be held in the State, or in case any previous election shall be had in the State for other purposes, then this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the qualified tax paying voters. And the sum of \$2000, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of the treasury of the State of Texas for the purpose of submitting this proposition to a vote of the people of the State of Texas. [A true copy.]

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution for the Establishment of a Home for Confederate Widows.

Joint Resolution to amend Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as amended in 1903, so as to authorize the grant of aid in the es-

tablishment and maintenance of a home for the disabled and dependent wives and widows of Confederate soldiers and sailors and such women as aided the Confederacy, and making an appropriation.

Section 1. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as amended in 1903, be so amended as to hereafter read as follows.

Article 3. Section 51. The Legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any grant of public money to any individual, associations or individuals, municipal or other corporations whatsoever; provided, however, the Legislature may grant aid to indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1880, and who are either over sixty years of age or whose disability is the proximate result of actual service in the Confederate army for a period of at least three months, their widows in indigent circumstances who have never remarried and who have been bona fide residents of the State of Texas since March 1, 1880, and who were married to such soldiers anterior to March 1, 1880; provided said aid shall not exceed eight dollars per month and provided further, that no appropriations shall ever be made for the purpose hereinbefore specified in excess of five hundred thousand dollars for any one year. And also grant aid to the establishment and maintenance of a home for said soldiers and sailors, their wives and widows and women who aided in the Confederacy, under such regulations and limitations as may be provided by law; provided the grant to aid said home shall not exceed one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for any one year, and no inmate of said homes shall be entitled to any other aid from the State; the Legislature may provide for husband and wife to remain together in the home; and provide further, that the provisions of this section shall not be construed to prevent the grant of aid in case of public calamity.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this resolution to the qualified voters of the State of Texas, as an amendment to the Constitution of Texas, to be voted upon on the first Tuesday in August, 1907. All persons favoring said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots, as follows: "For the amendment to the Constitution, providing for a Department of Agriculture and a Bureau of Labor." And those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots, as follows: "Against the amendment to the Constitution, providing for a Department of Agriculture and a Bureau of Labor." And the sum of (\$2000) two thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publications, proclamation and election. [A true copy.]

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing the Establishment of a State Printing Plant.

Joint Resolution authorizing the submission to a vote of the people of the State of Texas of a proposed amendment of Section 21 Article XVI, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to printing, publishing, stationery, paper and fuel, and making an appropriation therefor.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That Section 21 Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be so amended as to hereafter read as follows.

Section 21. All printing and publishing, and all stationery, paper and fuel for the various departments, and for all offices, whether created by this Constitution or by law, shall be done and supplied as may be provided by law, and for the accomplishment of these objects and purposes the Legislature may provide and establish all requisite means and agencies invested with such powers as may be deemed adequate and advisable.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday in August, A. D. 1907, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Section 21 of Article XVI of the Constitution, relating to stationery, printing, paper and fuel."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Sec. 4. That the sum of two thousand (2000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of that State of Texas not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publication and election. [A true copy.]

L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution for the Establishment of a Home for Confederate Widows.

Joint Resolution to amend Section 51 of Article 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as amended in 1903, so as to authorize the grant of aid in the es-

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L. T. DASHIELL, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Fixing the Salary of Members of the Legislature.

An Act to amend Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the compensation of members of the Legislature.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so to hereafter read as follows.

Section 24. The members of the Legislature shall receive from the public Treasury such compensation for their service as may from time to time be provided by law, not to exceed one thousand dollars for each year in which a biennial session of the Legislature is held under the provisions of this Constitution and five dollars for each day of any Special Session held during the subsequent year, and in addition thereto, they shall receive mileage in going to and returning from the State Capitol, not to exceed three cents per mile; the distance to be computed by the nearest railroad route, and the Comptroller shall prepare and preserve a table of distances for each county seat now or hereafter to be established, and by such table the mileage for any extra session that may be called

within one day after the adjournment of a Regular or Called Session.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday in August, at which election all voters favoring and said proposed amendment, shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words, "For the amendment to Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution relating to the salary of the members of the Legislature."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of the State, and the sum of \$1000 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of the general revenue of the State not otherwise appropriated to pay the expenses of such publication and election. [A true copy.]

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RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts, personal or collateral	\$22524.16
Loans, real estate	7503.97
Overdrafts	567.23
Furniture and Fixtures	824.70
Due from Approved Reserve Agents	\$10608.22
Due from other Banks and Bankers, subject to check	122.09 10730.31
Cash Items	26.95
Currency	731.00
Specie	661.07 1419.02
Total	\$43569.39

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock paid in	25000.00
Undivided Profits, net	229.23
Due to Banks and Bankers, subject to check	1511.21
Individual Deposits, subject to check	16828.95
Total	\$43569.39

STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF LA SALLE, SS.

We, Frank B. Earnest as Vice President and V. H. Harding as Cashier of said bank, each of us, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of our knowledge and belief.

F. B. EARNEST, Vice-Pres.
V. H. HARDING, Cashier.

Sworn and subscribed to before me this 10th day of May, 1907.

Witness my hand and notarial seal on the date last aforesaid.

W. A. KERR,
Notary Public.

Correct-Attest.

ROLAND A. GOUGER,
K. BURWELL,
JNO. M. DANIEL,
Directors.

Arthur Wildenthal, of Beaumont is in the city visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Wildenthal. Arthur has a good position in the First National Bank at Beaumont and is well pleased with that section of the State. He informs us that John Bobo, a former Cotulla boy, is also in that city and doing well. He is in the offices of the Swift Packing Company and has been promoted several times since he has been with them.

Optimistic Club.

One of the season's most enjoyable affairs was given Sat. April 27, when Mrs. L. W. Gaddis threw wide the doors of her beautiful home and entertained most royally the members of the Optimistic Club and several of its friends.

As the president said, no need to call the meeting to order that—bunch of women are always in order.

The Jamestown Exposition was the subject of the afternoon's program, by request of the Managers of the Exposition—who requested all Women's Clubs to use this program sometime during April, inasmuch as the Jamestown Exposition commemorates the landing of the English colonists April 26, 1607, the Exposition opening on the three hundredth anniversary.

The following program was ably rendered and enjoyed and appreciated by all present.

- Piano (selected)—Mrs. R. J. Jennings.
- Reading (Magazine Sketch)—John Smith and Pocahuntas—Miss B. Thomas.
- Song (selected)—Miss Philipe.
- Piano Selection—Miss Florence Oliver.
- Recitation—"Flash"—Miss Alice Copp.
- Brief History of Settlement of Jamestown—Miss Shaw.
- Incidents of Maids—Miss Steele.
- The Jamestown Exposition, Scope, Purposes and Features—Mrs. W. A. H. Miller.

We were glad to welcome Mesdames T. R. Keck and J. D. Motheral to membership in the Optimistic Club.

During the afternoon delicious fruit ice cream (as Gaddis' Pharmacy always makes) and cake were served by our charming hostess, and ably assisted by Mrs. G. Philipe and Mrs. W. G. Johnson.

Several "wee tots" held a club meeting on the front porch.

Just before leaving a hearty vote of thanks was tendered our hostess for her gracious hospitality. Next session to be with Miss Shaw, Saturday, May 11th.

(MISS) DAISIE CARR,
Club Reporter.

About the middle of next month an auction sale of town lots will be held at Millett, Nicholson, Furnish & Smith of San Antonio, will have charge of the proposition and a special excursion train will be run. Millett is rapidly settling up and has the country around it to make a good town.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Old papers for sale at this office. Fresh candy, 15c a pound, at Gaddis' Pharmacy.

The weather this week has been favorable for onion harvesting.

Assessor R. L. Henrichson was among the Artesiaites in Cotulla this week.

Wednesday is the day to buy your canvass at K. Burwell's.

Wright Pease was in town from the Burns Ranch yesterday.

New souvenir postals every week at Gaddis' Pharmacy.

Col. W. A. H. Miller went to San Antonio yesterday on legal business.

R. O. Gouger, one of Cotulla's young business men, went to San Antonio first of the week.

P. A. Kerr was among the visitors to the Alamo City during the week.

Mrs. Lacey of San Antonio is in the city, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. T. Hill.

About fifty Cotulla people went to Atlee to the Auction Sale Tuesday, and some bought heavily.

WANTED—To buy 90 feet of 6 or eight inch gas pipe. W. J. COLLEMAN.

YOUR NEW SPRING SUIT—REED

Misses Amy Brown and Rose Held of Millett were among the fair visitors to our city during the week.

K. Burwell has on sale a line of goods that cannot fail to interest everybody. Wednesday is the day.

Give your Laundry bundles to Orville Carr, who represents the best laundry in San Antonio. Basket shipped every Wednesday.

T. H. D. ... from San Antonio.

Send your job work to this office.

Wednesday is the day to buy your bleached and brown cottons at K. Burwell's.

J. G. Childer's owner of the Cochina Ranch, was here from Temple this week.

Frank and Claude Rock sold a car of onions yesterday to Jno. H. Davis for \$1.50 per crate, f. o. b. platform.

A party of homeseekers from Iowa came in yesterday and was taken to the Malcolm V. Bolton lands east of Cotulla by J. M. Daniel.

A reception was given at the Lone Star Ranch near Millett Monday night. Quite a number of Cotulla people attended and all reported a most enjoyable time.

Gaddis says eggs are worth 20c per dozen. Protect your hens from lice with Pratts Lice Killer, feed them Pratts Poultry Food and you will have eggs to sell.

San Antonio had the worst storm Tuesday night that has visited that city in six years. The storm covered considerable territory, but no serious damage was done anywhere.

Gaddis says Victor Talking Machines are becoming more popular all the time. Machines and a big stock of Records always on hand at Gaddis' Pharmacy.

Tuesday night severe storms swept a great portion of the State. A strong wind blew up at Cotulla about midnight. However, it lasted only a minute or two and no damage was done.

FOR SALE—I have a few choice cows, high grade Jerseys, and the kind any child can milk, that I am offering for sale as they fresh in milk. Write me. I might have just what you want.

BRUCE ROBFILLS, Devine, Texas.

Several parties from Whitestown county were in this section looking at land this week.

Dr. J. B. Blackwelder of Illinois, who has been in this part of Texas for several months, the guest of Mr. E. P. Rasmussen on his ranch up the Nueces, left first of the for home.

Nunalee Camp, a well known young attorney of San Antonio was here yesterday for a few hours. Mr. Camp had been to Dilley to attend the funeral of Edgar Hugo, who died in Germany several weeks ago.

Mrs. E. B. Teeples and son Ralph, who have been here for several weeks visiting W. A. Kerr and family and Mrs. J. W. McInnis at Artesia, left Sunday morning. They will visit relatives at Brenham before returning to their home in Hagerman, N. M.

Mr. R. W. Warren returned Monday from a ten days absence. He had been out at El Paso to see his brother. Mr. Warren says the country between Del Rio and El Paso is extremely dry.

G. M. Magill, president of the Cotulla State Bank and one of the largest land owners in Southwest Texas, was here a few days this week from San Antonio. Mr. Magill has the sympathy of numerous friends here in the recent death of his wife.

Geo Copp Jr. returned Sunday from Tyler, where he had been attending the Tyler Commercial College. George speaks highly of the school, and although he was there only four months, received his diploma for having completed a thorough business course.

W. E. Rock & Sons sold a car of onions for \$1.50 per crate f. o. b. station this week. While a number of growers have received returns from the Association for even more than this price, this is the best cash price that has been paid. Burwell & Gallman sold a car for \$1.40 the day previous.

Lotta Ranch was in town part of this week. He went up to Dilley Wednesday to attend the funeral of his late friend, Edgar Hugo, who died in Germany the first part of April, while under surgical operation.

When the Atlee excursion went North Tuesday night, a number of passengers who were "dry," made an effort to get aboard with beer. Deputy Murray held up a couple of young fellows who live at one of the principle towns between here and San Antonio, and informed them that they couldn't get on the train with it. They had about half a dozen bottles each. It was a hard proposition, so they decided to try and drink it all before the train left. This they failed to do, but it tasted so good they wouldn't give up the remaining bottles, so they stood on the right of way and watched the train pull out and leave them. They got left but they emptied their bottles, and then paid their fare home on the "Boll-weevil."

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