

# The Cotulla Record.

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## Hundreds of Articles Have Gone and Others are Going Daily.

POPULAR REDUCTION PRICES ON ALL WINTER GOODS ATTRACTING MANY TO K. BURWELL'S STORE.

The Big Mid-winter Clearing Sale inaugurated at K. Burwell's Store three weeks ago has brought hundreds to take advantage of the reduction prices. Bundle after bundle of these goods have gone out of the house and people are still buying. Next week among the specials offered will be a line of short Kimonos at 65c, a lot of Ladies Waists at 89c, Outing Underskirts 45c, and a line of good quality Outing at 10c per yd.

### MOVEMENT STARTED FOR SCHOOL BUILDING

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO SECURE INFORMATION.

And Report Next Tuesday Night. Effort Will Be Made to Get to Work as Soon as Possible.

At a meeting of a number of citizens at the Court House last Wednesday night it was unanimously agreed that Cotulla must have a new school building by the next term of school and it was decided to take immediate steps to bring about the erection of same.

A committee composed of T. R. Keek, W. A. Kerr and L. W. Gaddis was appointed to consult the County Judge, who is also ex-officio Supt. of Public Instruction and find out what available funds there were for this purpose, inform themselves in regard to the issuance of bonds and several other things of importance and report next Tuesday night.

Mr. E. E. Critchfield of Chicago was present and made a splendid talk along the line of development of the town and country and the need of better school buildings and better schools.

### A Handsome Donation For The Park.

Mr. E. E. Critchfield, a wide-awake business man of Chicago, who is making a short stay in our city, showed his appreciation of the improvement now going on in the way of a public park, by giving Mr. Wentworth instructions to order 6 large Washingtonian Palms at his expense, and to plant as he deemed best. Mr. Critchfield spoke very highly of the effort to beautify our city and the pretty design for the park and showed his love for such by making this handsome donation.

The Cotulla Record and the Semi-Weekly Express for \$1.75.

### NUECES LAND GETTING VALUABLE

W. I. NICHOLSON SELLS 370 ACRES TRACT FOR \$50 PER ACRE.

W. I. Nicholson closed a deal this week with W. Wilbanks of Blue Springs, Miss., selling to him a 370 acre tract of land two miles above town for \$50 per acre. This land has a half mile front on the Nueces river. There is no improvement on the land and none of it cleared.

The value of irrigable land along the Nueces is beginning to be realized and \$15 and \$20 land will soon be a thing of the past.

### WRECK BANK WITH BOMB.

Robbers Then Lose their Nerve and Flee.

New York, Jan. 23.—An exploding bomb tonight wrecked the front of an Italian bank building on Elizabeth street, exposing \$40,000 in silver and gold, which the bankers, Pasquale A. Pati & Son, had piled in the window as evidence of their ability to pay depositors on demand.

The junior partner, Salvatore Pati, who was on guard inside, was cut by the glass that crashed in on him, but stuck by his charge and soon had the money stowed away in the vault.

The bomb throwers, who were not seen by the banker, were quickly lost in the crowd and their motive is a mystery.

If robbery was the object, the perpetrators, it is believed, were amateurs, who lost courage at the critical moment, when the tempting treasure was within arm's reach from the street.

Pati, the elder, is one of the most prosperous of the Italian bankers of the city. This institution is capitalized at \$500,000.

### MILLETT COUNTRY SETTLING WITH NEW PEOPLE.

Farmers from Other States Buying Homes in Fertile Cibola Valley.

Millett, Texas, Jan. 24th.—J. M. Cline of Indian Territory who recently bought 960 acres of land from J. C. Reed about four miles West of Millett moved in this week and like all other provident farmers from the North, commenced erecting a large barn the first thing. The sale of this tract of land was made through our real estate man, Aubrey Clark.

Mr. Todd Hootman bought the farm of M. Nestler just North of town.

Mr. Turtle from Arkansas left for his home this week to bring his family here, having rented a farm to make a crop this year.

C. W. and Tom Wallace of Motieillo, Mo., arrived in town yesterday and are visiting the family of W. M. Graves, who is a brother-in-law of Mr. C. W. Wallace.

The recent cold spell gave our onion men quite a scare but after two days of sunshine they lifted up their heads again.

H. C. Lane and H. W. Earnest paid Cotulla a visit Thursday and left a deposit with the Tax Collector.

Wm. Earnest who has been down with typhoid fever is now convalescent.

Mrs. J. A. Rowland presented her husband to twins, a boy and a girl and all three are doing well at last accounts.

The ladies gave a Tamale Supper Tuesday night for the benefit of the M. E. church from which they realized about \$14.00 net. After the supper about \$160.00 was subscribed to finish ceiling church, which is badly needed.

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. S. A. Morgan is dangerously ill with erysipelas.

Jim Bell is wearing a 23-karat smile. Says it's the finest looking boy in La Salle county.

Miss Mary Baylor is in the city from the La Motte Ranch visiting Miss Mary Kerr.

A. R. Bell of Cuero was out this week looking after his ranch interests.

Andrew Armstrong, Jr., a prominent cattleman of Sanderson is in the city.

The Italian Boys and Elbert Foland under the auspices of the Lyceum entertained the people of Cotulla at the Court House last night. A large crowd was out to hear the musicians and impersonator and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the attraction. The Lyceum Course for this season will not pay out, there being a deficiency already of about \$70, and there is yet one more number. It is expected that a public entertainment of some kind will be arranged soon in order to raise sufficient funds to wipe out the shortage.

### Shallow Well Proposition.

An illustration of the shallow well proposition for irrigation in a small way may be seen just one block East of the depot, where Mr. C. E. Neal has one of the finest truck gardens and onion patches to be found anywhere. While Mr. Neal put in this little plant for his sole financial benefit, yet it is a great advertisement of what a man can do with a shallow well and a small gasoline engine, and being so conveniently located is viewed daily by dozens of new people who come to this section looking for new homes. The proposition is an illustration of what every farm should have and will have, as the net profits on a few acres of the right kind of truck will pay the running expenses of a good sized dry land farm.

### WHERE THE GOLD CAME FROM.

London Drew From Other Sources What it Shipped to America.

One of the interesting questions of our recent raid on London's gold was how that city managed to send us nearly seventy million dollars of the precious metal in November and still leave the Bank of England, the country's gold repository, with gold holdings \$7,500,000 larger on November 30 than on November 1. The November statement of the British Board of Trade, at hand by mail yesterday, gives the answer; it is rather remarkable. In all, Great Britain exported in November \$19,000,000 more gold than it imported. Of the month's \$75,900,000 total exports, \$69,600,000 were shipped to the United States.

Everyone knows that the new gold from the Transvaal and a gold loan by the Bank of France helped to make good this heavy loss; the official figures show, however, only \$10,000,000 received from South Africa and \$16,500,000 from France. Whence did \$29,000,000 balance of imports come? India appears to have sent only \$800,000 and Australia only \$600,000; therefore two of England's greatest reliances failed her in the emergency. During that period of crisis, Berlin was in financial straits; yet the board of Trade figures disclose the extraordinary fact that Germany sent to England in November, \$23,300,000 gold, or more than came from any other single quarter. How did Germany spare this gold? The question is perplexing. None of it could have come from Russia, for the Imperial Bank of St. Petersburg reported as large gold holdings at the end of the month as at its beginning. As for the German man Imperial Bank, its specie reserve decreased only \$17,500,000 in November. Is it conceivable that the American demand operating through London, actually drained Germany's coin circulation?—New York Evening Post.

### SAYS STOESEL SOLD AT EXORBITANT PRICES

CHARGE MADE THAT HE PROFITED ON THE SICK.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 23.—Testimony showing the straits of the civil population at Port Arthur during the siege was given at the court-martial of Lieutenant General Stoessel yesterday by Colonel Vershinen, who was civil commissioner of that place and who fathered the charges made against General Stoessel that he reaped a rich harvest by selling eggs and milk and other luxuries to the sick during the siege.

According to Col. Vershinen, mere existence was a luxury for civilians. Provisions were enormously expensive. A cow cost \$800, a pig \$500, eggs \$1 each and other things correspondingly. He testified that Mme. Stoessel had a large herd of cattle and a flock of chickens and charged exorbitant prices. Shortly before the surrender, he said, she summoned a merchant and attempted to dispose of these, the supposition being that she had an inkling of the coming surrender.

The prosecution's case is practically all in, the Judge Advocate having dismissed all of his witnesses except three. Among the witnesses examined today was Captain Bolgakoff, who was recently pardoned and restored to the army after having served twenty-two months imprisonment of a three and a half years' sentence in the fortress for a revolutionary speech to the Russian prisoners during his captivity in Japan.

Jos. Cotulla Jr., returned Thursday from Austin where he underwent a difficult operation some three weeks ago. Joe is now able to walk about and is gaining flesh rapidly. However, he can swallow nothing but liquids, and very little of that; practically all of his food is taken through a tube in his side.

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J. M. DANIEL, Associate Editor.

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Announcement

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of Representative, 95th Representative District, subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.  
JNO. T. BRISCOE.

Yes, Cotulla is going to have a new school building. On what site will it be built?

La Salle is getting more roads and some better ones. Lots of room for improvement yet.

Have you paid your poll tax yet? Don't delay, you haven't much longer.

Foster, the long range weather prophet, predicts that we will have some ugly weather about the latter part of this month.

The Thaw trial is getting stale and the people are becoming tired of it. Even the newspapers are not quite so full of the rot as they were during the first trial.

The recent money panic came near dealing a death blow to the private bank. They were the hardest hit and none of them that suspended in Texas have yet reopened. The latest sensation in this connection was the discovery last week of the big

house bank at Houston, that the bank had loaned about \$300,000.00 on worthless paper.

A young man of Louisville Ky., died in San Antonio the other day from tuberculosis as the result of hazing at Rose Polytechnic Institute, at Terre Haute, Ind. It is alleged that the young man was carried to a cemetery by upper classmen, tied to a tombstone in a nude condition and left over night. The exposure brought on fever and resulted as above stated. Hazing of this character should be stamped out. There is nothing wrong in harmless pranks but hazing in these days is far from being harmless.

There are some men in Cotulla that should be at the lead in all public improvements, but we regret to say that such things appear to appeal to them very little. Meetings of the Business Men almost invariably find them absent, and even at the meeting the other night for the purpose of building Cotulla a new school house, many of them were not present. When men take no interest in the educational welfare of their children nor other people's children, then certainly the spirit of progress and enlightened civilization is sadly lacking. We would like to see the men of Cotulla who can, get in the road and push the town to the front instead of putting a check-rein on affairs. The natural advantage of location will make a humming little city of the place, but the citizens have a hand in determining how fast we shall grow. One thing is certain, if the citizens who have the power to make things go now, and for reasons of their own do not, the maintenance of their positions will not be perpetual, for non-progressive men are soon lost sight of by the people in this day and time.

Direct Immigration to the South.

Nearly all the northern papers are fast dropping the idea that the South must remain second fiddle in the progress band because it was once set down as such. Not only is the South treated more fairly than ever before in editorial comment, but its various phases of industrial progress are watched as closely as are the affairs of the North and East.

In a recent issue the Chicago Daily Tribune contained a lengthy editorial on the trend of Southern enterprise and self-reliance, of which the following is the gist:

"A few months ago Attorney General Bonaparte gave a decision adverse to State aided immigration. It was denounced at the South as fatal to the hopes of that region of securing the immigrants of whose labor it stands in great need. That the decision was not so disastrous as was feared is proved by the success which private enterprise has had in diverting the flow of immigration in the direction of the South. The Southern Pacific Railway and Steamship Company has succeeded in establishing two regular steamship lines for the transportation to New Orleans of emigrants from several European ports. Last month 5000 arrived, most of whom will settle in Louisiana, and two weeks ago one vessel brought over 1400. These are small figures as compared with New York arrivals, but they are so encouraging that it is intended to establish a third line of steamships at an early day. In this matter of inducing immigration it is only the first step that is difficult. If the new comers are satisfied with their work, their pay and their treatment, they will become the advertising agents of the State in which they have settled. They send back a favorable report to relatives and old neighbors, who are much more influenced by their statements than by those which any representative of a State immigration bureau might make."

Since it is absolutely necessary that Cotulla must have a new school building, and if it is not financed one way, it will be another, the question of location will soon be up for discussion. We are strictly in favor of centrally locating this building so that it will be of convenience to the patrons of all portions of town, and also where it will be conspicuous.

There remains only a few more days in which to pay your taxes without the penalty of ten per cent being added. The time expires with this month.

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"I figure that advertising costs me a couple of thousand dollars a year more than I can afford—"

"What are you talking about you don't advertise."

"No, but the department stores do, and my wife has the bargain habit."

Many years ago, a certain, was called to jail to liberate a worthless debtor, by receiving a oath that he was not worth five dollars.

"Johnny," said the justice, "can you swear that you are not worth five dollars, and never will be?"

"Why," answered Johnny rather chagrined a the question, "I can swear I am not worth that amount at present."

"Well, well," returned the justice "I can swear to the rest; step forward."

A lady who had invited a party of friends to dine at her home one evening went into the kitchen to give some final orders to the Irish cook. incidentally she added: "expect to have a Jewish rabbi for dinner, so exert yourself, Gladys. For a moment the cook surveyed her employer in grim silence. Then she spoke with decision. All I have to say is," she announced, "If yez have a Jew rabbi for dinner, ye'll cook it yourself, for never cooked wan."

A smart little fellow whose father was the advertising manager of a large department store had just passed his tenth birthday, and took delight in stirring things up whenever he could. On his way home from school one day he stopped at a hardware store. After gazing at the window display, he ventured inside "Say mister," he called out, "you keep knives?" "Yes, indeed replied the storekeeper. "I have kept

for door, just advertise, at won't keep them so long."

First Summer Girl—During the hottest evenings last summer I managed to keep perfectly cool.

Second Summer Girl—Indeed! How did you manage it?

First Summer Girl—Well, I had two devoted admirers at the seashore who called on me every evening, and I always seated one on each side of me.

Second Summer Girl—But what had that to do with your keeping cool?

First Summer Girl—Why, there was such a delightful coolness between them.

An automobile dashed along the country road. Turning a curve, it came suddenly upon a man with a gun on his shoulder and a weak, sick-looking dog beside him. The dog was directly in the path of the motor car. The chauffeur sounded his horn but the dog did not move—until he was struck. After that he did not move.

The automobile stopped, and one of the men got out and came forward. He had once paid a farmer \$10 for killing a calf that belonged to another farmer. This time he was wary.

"Was that your dog?"

"Yes."

"Looks as if we'd killed him."

"Certainly looks so."

"Very valuable dog?"

"Well, not so very."

"Will \$5 satisfy you."

"Yes."

"Well, then, here you are." He handed the man a \$5 bill, and added pleasantly, "I'm sorry to have broken up your hunt."

"I wasn't going hunting," replied the other, as he pocketed the bill.

"Not going hunting? Then what were you doing with the dog and the gun?"

"Going down to the woods to shoot the dog."

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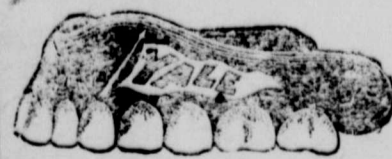
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## COTTONSEED MEAL AS A HORSE AND MULE FEED.

If one informed was called on today to indicate the most glaring deficiency in Southern husbandry his finger would point to the utter dearth of good horse feed. It is now generally admitted that the results of the war, and undoubtedly its duration would have been altogether different had there been a sufficient quantity of horse feed for the Southern cavalry. Though this deficiency of good feed for "man's best friend" may not be presented in as acute a form today as it was in those of the early sixties, still it is quite as real. As the South is undoubtedly the land of cotton, so on the other hand it is equally certain that it is not the land of grain and long forage. Let the newspaper editor put whip and spur to the farmer all he will, the fact remains that it is a tough proposition to make barely enough grain and hay to do, and out of the question to make any for market. With these conditions surrounding us, how irresistible should be the alluring invitation which Cottonseed Meal holds out to the feeder of live stock in the South.

In a state of nature the horse crops the lucious grass that grows on the bank of the water course. In a state of domesticity the horse is fed on dust dry hay and grain and no clear running brook passes his manger, and he drinks only out of the hot, or freezing polluted horse trough, when the owner remembers to turn him out of the stable. Not only do our work stock wear out with shocking rapidity, under such treatment but the mortality among them, all on account of intestinal trouble, is appalling. You must keep what a horse eats moving forward, or rather, backward, if you don't he will die. So I have come to believe that aside from the wonderful nutritive value of Cottonseed Meal, its mechanical value in aiding the peristaltic movement in the horse is worth its actual cost many, many times over. I am not a chemist, but you have only to ask one who is and he will tell you how tremendously valuable and nutritious cottonseed meal is as a horse feed. All that corn, oats, hay and fodder lack as feeds, is supplied by cottonseed meal. In combination with them it makes a perfection feed. I admit that every horse and mule will not show a fondness for cottonseed meal to begin with but every horse and mule that ever lived will eat it, will come to like it, and will thrive on it.

I believe any animal of the horse kind from a shaved tail mule to Lou Dillon, will be benefitted and improved by the addition of Cottonseed Meal to its daily ration. As for its not being a natural feed for the horse, neither is corn or oats. A horse is a grass eater and he never saw grain until he met up with a man on the plains of Damascus 7000 years ago and he got his first taste of barley. A horse can worry along on a general bill of fare. In Afghanistan he is fed on balls of mutton fat; while in India he eats dried fish. It is not a hurtful admission in this discussion to acknowledge that cottonseed meal cannot be fed in large quantities. This only goes to show its high quality as a feed. A man does not at one sitting eat a pat of butter, or drink a jug of molasses, or gulp a bowl of gravy. He does not pour out vinegar for the cruet full, or eat salt and pepper by the spoonful. These are the tidbits, or as the French say, c'est la sauce qui fait manger la poisson. So cottonseed meal makes the dry rations of the domestic horse go down, and not only down, but what is more important, go through. If farm animals in the South could feed daily on a ration a minimum of one pound of concentrates being cottonseed meal, this land would be a richer and a happier one. While this would be in actual amount only about ten

per cent of the concentrated portion of the feed, its mechanical and nutritive value would be at least double that.

Professor W. A. Henry, dean of the Wisconsin Agricultural College, and perhaps the greatest practical animal feeder in the world, under the heading "Cottonseed Meal for Horses," quotes approvingly Gebek, a recognized authority on horse feeding, as follows: "Draft horses do well on a ration containing two pounds of cottonseed meal." He then adds on his own account: "The use of cottonseed meal for horses will be greatly extended at the South if experiments reveal equally good results." May this prophetic utterance be fulfilled. Numerous experiments have revealed and confirmed these very results.

In truth, cottonseed meal as a feed for horses has passed far beyond the stage of experiment. To put cottonseed meal into the ground without first running it through the inside of an animal seems to me to be direct insult to a bountiful Providence. If our farmers were to take their own, freight free, cottonseed meal; feed it first to their farm animals, and next to their farm lands, oh, what would come of it?

## LEARNING THE POULTRY BUSINESS.

If we are observing we may learn something each day that we work among our poultry. The trouble with many who keep hens is that they think they have it all

learned and that there is no much to it anyway. No one who expects to clear a good profit on their hens should be indifferent in this matter, but study and become acquainted with their flocks, for the more we learn the better we know how to care for them, and when we have learned to care for a good number of them in the right kind of way is the time when we may expect good returns from poultry keeping and not before. The outlook for the poultry business for the one who has begun small, and worked along into it carefully, was never better than at the present time. It's work that cannot be learned in a week; it takes time, neither can we get the required knowledge by reading or sending others to do the work. The one who undertakes the business with this idea, and a great many have started in on the strength of hearsay, will sooner or later strike something fast, in other words he will get stuck. Practical experience is what counts. Do the work yourself; then you know the why's and wherefores, and are more apt to see the stumbling blocks before you strike them. In a way we may get a fair knowledge of poultry keeping by reading and hearing others talk on the subject, but the knowledge and just how to apply it is what bothers us. Like many other trades and industries there are new things springing up all the time. There are many different breeds, varieties and strains of poultry and methods that will work successfully with one which may be far out of the way with others. There is much to the poultry business, but it takes years for some to find out that there is anything to it at all.

FARMERS' UNION AND POLITICS.

Simple self preservation and common sense dictated the formal statement of policy on part of the Farmers' Union in mass meeting at Memphis, whereby provision is made for the perpetual separation of the personnel of that organization from politics.

Resolutions which passed without a dissenting voice provide that any officer of the union who desires to run for county, state or national office must make his first step in that direction by a resignation from his official connection with the Farmers' Union. Similarly, any

principle.

The fatal admixture of politics with the business of such associations has always been a knell of such mortuary of the past and too precise to be disregarded.

Needed reforms can be secured by members in their individual capacity. The moment that of men attempts organization for their political purposes, the officers and members of the organization will split as well as the office is up either one of man now holding union simultaneous ferment or takes tending in that eminent issues fortization was formed—its very explicit the union's attitude matter was wise though by no means in its administration. Time and again S. Barrett and other organization have drawn into politics directly.

The attitude of his co-workers, of public, has been in the upbuilding splendidly demonstrated value to the official divorce between union is merely known policy in absolutely guarded in the future.

The union has mendably in an aggressive manner, as aggressively as in the future.

Its rank and file evidence daily the need to keep step with the march of industrial evolution.

## SCALMS

A farmer says his hens are troubled with scales which causes them to peck at their own feathers. The cure is to fill an empty jar with coal oil and in this keep the birds immersed for two minutes. This treatment will usually kill the parasites. To supplement this use lard or fried meat grease for the legs, rubbing it in well.

A very common cause for soft shelled eggs is ovary weakness. When one hen persistently lays soft shelled eggs it is best to kill her; otherwise the flock will take up the vice of egg-eating.

When the scales commence to peel off, grease the line every day or two for about a week.

## EXPERIENCE IN BUDDING AND GRAFTING PECAN.

By C. F. Wagner.

The plan of budding or growing the comes right along with the fruit trees. As many of you know, I am one of the large growers in Central Texas, and what I will have to say is, and growing pecan trees will allude to new growth of our fruit grow to utilize the pecan trees. If you grow trees with your nut vate both of them at In twelve or fifteen fruit trees, such as plum, will pass away and left the best tree in which is the most valuable money maker of is grown.

I began the nut ago and what I know experience; and that is too. One thing that business down to a that you cannot cut of a pecan. This bell down to them by the and it is hard for away from it. As of the pecan trees ground and not on root is larger and the part of the tree above the cutting of the shock to the tree, will live if you cut off in proportion

believe that if you cut off the root of a tree you ought to cut off the top also. I plant my tree in a hole 4x4 feet. Before planting, however, I get good alluvial soil and put in the hole and then pour some water on it and tramp it so that when I put the tree in the ground it has the soil packed close about it. I believe February is the best time to plant pecans; my main success has been at that time. Do not plant a pecan that has a rough scaly coat, but only a vigorous growing tree—one that shows it has vitality. Never let your trees pass through a severe drought without giving them water for the first year or two. When the tap root is cut the tree cannot pass through a drought.

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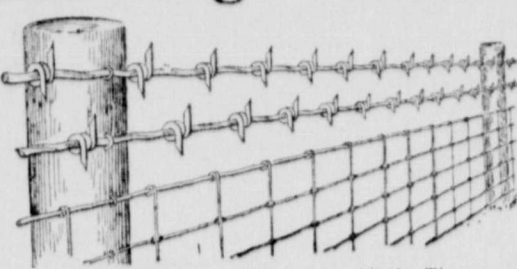
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Washington—Bryan, in a communication to friends, made the assertion that he would give way before the democratic convention if shown that some other good democrat of the same faith were more to the liking of the party.

Taylor, Tex.—A cook, supposedly insane, put poison in the food of a family and five of the seven died.

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Rome, Italy—Baron Takahira, present minister to Italy, has been officially notified that he is to come to the United States as Japan's representative. The baron is well known in Washington circles and is very acceptable to the Government.

Paris, France—The refugees of Turkey, representing many nations met in a secret congress to devise ways and means to overthrow the present Turkish government and place a constitutional form in its place.

Ft. Worth—The report of the Sanitary Live Stock Commission shows that there is little infectious disease among cattle of the state, and that the cattle as a whole are in good condition.

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Rio Janeiro—The cruise of the great squadron is attracting the deepest attention of other nations who are anxious to observe the tests made by the battleships.

Tokio, Japan—The immigration question as relating to Canada has been settled with satisfactory restrictions to keep out undesirable immigrants from Japan.

Mexico City—Gen. Mena, for a long time prominently identified with the Diaz government, is dead in Paris, where he went to regain his health.

Goliad, Tex.—D. R. Fant, one of the best known stockmen, died at his home in Goliad Wednesday.

Shreveport, La.—After a most exciting campaign, the town and county went "dry" by a majority of nearly four hundred.

Jacksonville, Fla.—An effort is being made by the negroes of the state to capture the Republican convention and get it for Senator Foraker for President.

Vicksburg, Miss.—The grand jury has refused to follow the suggestion of the Federal Government and will not indict the six people charged with peonage. The cases involved prominent men in connection with Italian laborers, and was worked up by the Department of Justice to show Uncle Sam's good will toward the Italian government.

San Antonio—W. F. Woods and A. M. Waugh were indicted by the Federal grand jury for alleged irregularities in connection with the Woods National Bank.

Paris, France—The declaration of a Holy War by the Pretender, in Morocco, gives more trouble for France and Spain. The country may become divided and two sultans rule, one on the coast and one in the interior of Morocco.

Barnsley, Eng.—A free entertainment to the children was being given when the galleries became overcrowded and a rush for other seats caused the death of sixteen children and the painful trampling of dozens of others.

New York—The statement of the New York Clearing House that a surplus of \$6,000,000 had accumulated against a deficit of \$54,000,000 a few weeks ago, shows that the country is getting in its normal condition once more. And that the general industrial wheels will go more rapidly.

Pekin, China—Recent edicts have brought about a quieter feeling in China, especially the press is more moderate in its utterances, but the government is expecting serious rebellions in some provinces.

Ft. Worth—The bad spirit that existed for some time between two factions of the Farmers' Union was shown when President Neill was attacked in his office by the editor and publisher of the National Co-Operator and severely wounded with a heavy paper weight and a seal.

Rio Janeiro—Cablegrams were sent to President Roosevelt by President Pena of Brazil, congratulating him on the fine showing the fleet made in the Brazilian port. A great spirit of fraternalism was exhibited by the Brazilians toward the United States troops.

Washington—The question of the presence of antimony in the bullets the negro soldiers shot into Brownsville houses and people has been decided and the negroes are none the wiser on account of the decision.

Kansas City—Sidney Herndon of Tyler, Texas, was murdered and robbed by a negro who had been working for him.

Topeka—The Harvester Trust has been fined \$12,000 for violating the anti-trust laws.

Cameron, N. C.—A head on collision between a freight and a passenger resulted in the death of two men, and the injury of twenty others though not seriously.

Burnet, Tex.—Four years in the penitentiary has been the sentence given to Don Gray for manslaughter.

New York—Practically all new evidence is being introduced in the Thaw trial to show the unbalanced mind of Thaw.

Washington—Senator Bacon has introduced a new currency bill having some of the features of the Aldrich bill and intended as an amendment to that bill. It provides for a circulation by deposit of security of various bonds.

Port Au Prince—A serious earthquake destroyed several houses at a little town sixty miles distant.

Washington—The Senate passed a resolution remitting about half of the \$24,000,000 indemnity given by China on account of the Boxer disturbances.

Boyetown, Pa.—The explosion of a lamp on the stage of a theatre in the little town of Boyetown caused a panic among the audience so that almost half of the people were so trampled that 200 were burned to death or killed in the scramble.

Tokio, Japan—The cabinet crisis was averted by the acceptance of the resignations of two members who favored a large war and navy expenditure. As the empire was not financially in a position to carry out the schemes of the expansionists.

San Antonio—C. B. Mulally was elected president of the Business Men's Club at the annual election last week.

Washington—In his submission of the report of provisional Governor Magoon of Cuba, President

Mexico City—The Republic is to make a strong trade exhibit in London, which will last for several months and be worth very much to the Republic.

Port Au Prince—The Haytian revolution goes merrily on. The four gunboats of the republic are preparing to bombard the rebel towns of Gonaves and St. Mark.

Elkins, W. Va.—Lumbermen are searching for some black handers who snatched up one of their lumber camps.

Blanco, Tex.—A farmer nearby is setting out a grove of olive secured from the government experiment station in Arizona. They are especially adapted to dry lands, and do not require irrigation.

New York—The poet and banker, Edmund C. Stedman, died suddenly at his home in New York.

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Roosevelt declared that the government of the island would be turned over to the congress and president to be elected by the Cubans next fall.

Flemingsburg.—Armed guards have been keeping watch over the town, fearing a visit of the dread night riders. Several threats had been made and an appeal to the governor for militia had not been granted.

Del Rio—A call has been made for a meeting of the Southwest Texas Sheep and Goat Breeders' Association to meet at Del Rio on Feb. 1.

San Antonio—The Spring Carnival will be held April 20 to 25.

EIGHT Canada  
Austin—A number of prominent men throughout the state are collecting in the capital to ask the governor to convene a special session of the legislature to pass laws regarding the guarantee of deposits in State banks.

Austin—After a long hearing the proposition to reduce passenger fares was abandoned.

New York—The hearing for the Standard Oil case has been completed in New York and will be resumed in Washington.

Tangier—A battle that lasted 10 hours was fought between the Moors and the French under Gen. DeArmadé, in a valley near the town of Settat. About twenty of the French were wounded and a number of Moors killed, when the Moors were finally driven into the hills.

Washington—Secretary Taft has recommended the construction of a large military post in the hills north of Luzon, where soldiers may have short periods of rest and relief from the oppressive rainy season in Manila.

Longview, Tex.—A negro boldly attempted to hold up the officers of a bank, but after firing two shots at the cashier, he was fatally wounded by other officials.

Washington—The financial bill, as it now stands, provides for an emergency issue of \$500,000,000 taxed at six per cent and secured by various kinds of bonds.

New York—The rise in the price of cotton is said to be partly due to the boosting Dan Sully is doing.

Washington—Secretary Taft is reported as saying the Panama Canal will undoubtedly be open in six years, and that the approximate cost will be \$300,000,000.

**"THE EYE."**

It is the mind that sees, and no subject of importance to the mental or physical being should be passed without investigation, which will enable us to see the truth.

Where others teach the eyes are made to see with, and that glasses are to improve vision, Neurologists contend that the several senses are merely different methods of reaching a common center; that the eyes being supplied with one-tenth of all the nerves in the body, and being the only organs in the body which are able to overcome anatomical defects, are capable of producing more discomfort than all other organs combined; that 85 per cent of all so-called diseases are not such at all, but are merely functional derangements which need no medicine or operation—simply common sense and a working knowledge of anatomy and physiology.

Unusual acute vision is positive proof of deficient development of the eyes, and the amount of the defect is enough to increase the demand on the general nerve supply at least 25 per cent, often more. This abnormal demand overtaxes the capacity of the nervous-energy-producing machinery so much that in all cases it impairs the functions of the body generally. And nothing but glasses, fitted correctly, can stop the strain without doing more damage.

The symptoms are many and in as great variety as there are people. One will be dull mentally; another excitable; another have hallucinations, such as jealousy, fear, etc.; another indigestion; others headaches, neuralgia, rheumatism, constipation, menstrual troubles, fits, and I might enumerate all other so-called chronic and nervous ills, because the inco-ordination, ocular and systemic, caused by eye strain primarily, soon involves the whole apparatus, and when each falls just a little short of its full duty the combination is disastrous.

The idea extant among the laity that eye troubles are as distinct from other ills as one's hat and shoes is the fruit of pure ignorance on the part of the physician and oculist. It is the mission of neurologists to correct this false opinion and it is one of the easiest feats in the world if they go at it systematically.

First—It is not hard to force an admission that the eye is a part of the human anatomy.

Second—Even they will admit it is nourished by the same circulatory system that supplies the rest of the body.

Third—They will admit that the eyes have muscles with which to perform various functions.

Fourth—Pin them down and they will confess the probability operates other members also contain that same nervous system that meets with the eyes.

Fifth—They will concede that there is a great sympathetic nervous system that works quickly that if an eye observes a threatening motion the whole body will dodge.

Sixth—Then admit not possibly equally true that if the eyes are misshapen so that they demand more than their share of the daily nerve supply, such demand, if supplied, would weaken the reserve supply in the brain or overwork the producing machinery, or both?

Seventh—If it does that is it not likely to involve any or all other functions?

Eighth—Is it not natural that organs with similar muscles and nerves would be more likely to suffer first?

Ninth—If so, the effort of the sphincter nerves of the ciliary muscles of the eyes would most quickly cause sympathetic contractions among the organs of intermittent or periodical action, wouldn't they?

Tenth—Then constipation, dysmenorrhea, etc., might be produced by eye defects.

Eleventh—The nerve strain through such eyes might even interfere with circulation of the blood decrease the blood-making process and raise havoc generally, for all you know, might it not?

Twelfth—Did you ever know or hear of an oculist who attempted to treat dyspepsia, epilepsy and other nervous derangements through the eyes?

Thirteenth—Do you know that overwork in the culinary department not only affects other organs, but cuts off some of the functions of the eyes, such as regulating the flow of tears from the gland at the upper, outer corner of the orbit, and when the flood comes the oculist thinks the nasal duct is closed and he goes to boring there, an inch from the true seat of trouble. If he knew how to fit glasses to remove all eye strain he would not need to bore there.

Fourteenth—Do you know that the body lives on the food it eats, the air it breathes, and the water it drinks, and that they comprise the necessary chemicals, if one only knows how to give them. And you should know that not a one of the drug colleges teaches such truths or never did.

Fifteenth—Are you disposed to regain your health, if so you should investigate neurology, a drugless method of removing the causes of all chronic, eye or nervous ills.

Agricultural training in the public schools has become the popular shibboleth in Texas in the past two years. In political conventions and mass meetings the Texans have gone on record in no uncertain fashion in favor of this new movement in education. As rapidly as possible a system of agricultural training gardens have been established to make training practical and effective. Already the success of these school gardens is demonstrated and the next step, that of establishing school farms on a large scale, is under consideration and will inevitably come. San Antonio has taken the lead in this work and has already the most extensive and effective school gardens in the state. Fresh impetus has just been given this branch of popular education by the gift of two plant laboratories, surrounded by an acre of rich ground, by George W. Brackenridge, a capitalist and philanthropist of this city. This land lies in the city limits and is available for training of advanced students. This is the preliminary step towards establishing a school farm a little later. Large gifts of land and money have also been made by citizens here to establish an agricultural training school for dependent and delinquent children. It will be known as the Southwest Texas Juvenile Training School, and will be operated in connection with the Juvenile Courts established by the last legislature. A charter for this institution has been ap-

plied for and its establishment is only a matter of organization and detail. It is but natural that such an educational movement should develop in Texas, which is primarily an agricultural state. Of the 167,000,000 acres of land in Texas it is estimated that nearly 100,000,000 acres are arable; of these less than 14,000,000 acres are in cultivation. Already in the breaking up of the old cattle ranches an immense agricultural development has begun in this state and the growing scarcity of cheap and productive lands will inevitably carry it to still greater proportions, consequently agricultural training of a scientific character is the most urgent need of the rising generation. Scientific and intensive farming of which this educational movement is the reflex, is rapidly replacing the old haphazard methods. Farms, like factories, with every possible waste eliminated, and every possible profit drawn from the soil, are now found in every community in this part of Texas. Such methods have made a single acre produce \$200 or \$300 a year and have drawn many college bred men into farming. At Falfurrias, south of San Antonio, is a colony of seven or eight, and at the Cross S ranch in Dimmitt county, a number of school teachers have started a farming colony. Farmers in Southwest Texas have learned to combine in marketing their products. By means of truck growers and fruit growers' associations they are reaping immensely greater profits. For example, the Southern Texas Truck Growers Association in 1907 increased their receipts for the onion crop over one hundred per cent on a crop that filled 742 cars, or four car loads less than that of the preceding year. Texas farmers are learning to be practical business men and are demanding that their children shall be trained in a practical knowledge of the soil and the methods of marketing its products rather than in the frills of book learning. The fact that Texas has the largest permanent free school endowment of any state in the Union an endowment amounting to nearly sixty five million dollars, of which over twenty-two millions is in cash, bonds and land notes, and the balance in lands, makes it possible for a system of agricultural education to be developed quickly in this state. Already the extent and scope of this kind of public school training in this state raise it to the dignity of a movement in education which very properly has if not its initial suggestion, its greatest impetus in the largest agricultural state in the Union.

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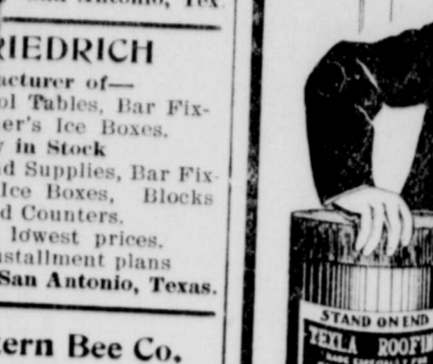
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Fred was a fatalist in this; he believed that "Whatever is to be will be," and if ever the time came for him to tell her of his great affection he would have the courage to do so. At present he was enjoying to the utmost the pleasure of an unspoken homage, and contented himself alone with the loving. His admiration for her was certainly ennobling.

Her singing had silenced him—he wished to be alone, and soon after took his departure, wending his way to the little back room of the printing office.

When he awoke next morning he found an exceedingly heavy snow had fallen. Nothing like it had occurred in Gold Valley for many years and many of the mines necessarily closed down on account of the scarcity of fuel to operate the engines. During the next four weeks the snow kept falling in greater quantities and in a measure Gold Valley was cut off from the outside world.

Fred applied himself strenuously to his work, increasing his acquaintance with the people, so that his advertisements and succeeding far beyond his expectations in making the paper a success. His friends said many pleasant things about the attractive appearance of the Prospect. It was filled with good, readable matter, and its circulation was constantly increasing.

Another heavy snow storm during the holidays rendered the roads almost impassable, and finally the work on the Shoubar was of necessity suspended, nor was it resumed until late the following spring.

One dismal night when the snow was falling and the wind howling Fred fell into a meditative mood, thinking of the old New York days of the clubs and theaters, and his friends in the Banner office of how all these attractions were now as nothing to him, compared to a little mountain maid with fluffy, wind blown hair of gold and eyes of blue.

There was a song of gladness in his heart, although the tempest was wailing a mournful chant without; a refrain of the song she had sung to him that day so long ago, and acting under the impulse of the

moment he wrote these lines:

My Dear Ruth—  
I scarcely know why I write you, but sitting here in the back room of my little printing office, with the winter winds tugging at the warped weatherboarding of this frail building, and the snow drifting deep and white without, I feel like again telling you of the pleasure you gave me when singing the song of marble columns, blooming roses, in a Spanish garden, and pearls hidden in the heart of the deep. I do not remember the words, but both the sentiment and the harmony have found lodgment in my heart.

To me, vocal music is the melody of the gods, it is an ethereal mist, a soft and dainty distillation of a thousand aromatic perfumes, as inspiring and wholesome to the soul as dew is to buds and blossoms; a measureless, joyous delight like distant purling of rippling waters appealing to the affections with a tuneful voice of dreamy sweetness that seems to quiver on the boundary—the dividing line of reason and romance, of intelligence and inspiration, plantively pleading in its rhythmic pulsing and party to wayward and hungry humanity, begging it to come higher into regions of loftiest love.

Oh, wondrous power that can thus speak to the soul! Thine is the nearest approach to the breath of Omnipotence as it is wafted to us on the drowsy and fragrant night-winds of peace from the whispering gallery of heaven itself.

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If there is aught in this tribute to vocal music which pleases you, kindly accept the responsibility for you, and you alone are the inspiration. Faithfully your friend,  
Fred Rockwell.

He read this letter through carefully and then re-read it, after which he roughly crumpled the paper in his hand and raising his arm as if to throw it among the burning faggots in the grate for a moment he hesitated, then placed it on the table before him, smoothed out the wrinkled sheets with greatest care, and laid it among some private papers, saying, "she

shall never see these lines: she shall never know what an idiot this maddening love is making of me.

"What I need," he continued, "is sense, just common sense. Why should I permit this girl to dethrone my reason? A woman in the beginning may inspire a man to great deeds, and eventually, after the battle of life has been won, round out his career with a merited reward; but never can she work out his destiny—he must do that himself."

He walked back and forth in his room, vigorously smoking his pipe. He remembered Ruth had seemed preoccupied at their last meeting—she had not urged him to call as enthusiastically, he fancied, as in former days.

He thought over the situation. "Fred Rockwell," he ejaculated, "you are a fool. Wake up. Go back to Gotham? Wed your ambition as you originally intended; forget love's will-o'-the-wisp, and profit by your experience. You have been slighted, neglected, and at this very moment the little woman you believe you idolize regards you with less favor than before you gave up your Eastern opportunities—your place in the world's activities—that you might be near her."

Then he remembered a friend he once knew, a good sort of chap, who had grown gray laboring for others, but one sad day he fell desperately in love with a woman. This woman, after she found his love was securely hers, neglected him, later his intuition enabled him to discover the truth. He was a proud man of the world and had grown strong by experience and suffering. His pleasure consisted chiefly in helping to make this woman of his choice happy, but his pride was mighty and protected even him from the allurements of a great love that had drifted into his heart on a perfumed south wind. She was a generous, noble girl, who made but one error—it was this: she believed she could treat him with the indifference of neglect without his uttering resentment, and she could, for he said no word. But, while she was doing this thing possibly permissible, he weighed her, kept a fast hold on his pride and sailed far away into a sea of silence.

Fred was thinking of this and condemning himself, and yet something kept whispering to him of hope.

What is hope, anyway, but a composite of desire and expectation that always has its face turned towards the future, and, like life itself, is the result of conscience, starting from an intangible point of departure and ever tending towards some unknown point of arrival, always believing that the balm of Gilead will finally be ours, even though it comes to us from the bottom of Pandora's box.

## CHAPTER XXIV.

### STARTING THE BOOM.

In the meantime matters were progressing slowly in the great Their River Valley. There had been no meeting of the Waterville Town Company. Wilbur Winthrop and Bernard McCaffrey regularly opened the Town Company's office every morning and closed it every evening, while time hung heavily on their hands. Thus passed away the winter months in weary waiting for renewed activity in real estate that seemed stubborn in lethargy.

Even Dick Ballard was becoming restless, and made many trips between the hotel and the brewery. His interest in the State militia company seemed unabated, however, and his rose lip was still unhealed. When the patronage of the hotel was poor, Mrs. Ballard, the shrew, had the habit of holding Dick responsible. At such times the long suffering Dick would tip-toe from the hotel, either from the back or front door, as opportunity offered, and head for the brewery, where he would attempt to drown his sorrow.

One day Dick was in the hotel office. He had just terminated a stormy interview with Mrs. Ballard. It all came about by reason of her reminding the landlord of the Ballard House that she had had several chances to marry before she had ever seen him. Whereupon Dick had replied, while putting his hand protectively to his lip, that such neglect of opportunity was something he simply never could forgive. He pinched himself as he said this, feeling he had scored and mentally promised himself a drink as a reward of merit before he was many minutes older.

A little later she went upstairs, yet she was attempting to engage in conversation with him, and her

sturdy voice fairly shook the building.

Ballard was thirsty. He again put his hand protectively to his cracked lip, while he passed the broken mirror that hung on the wall, and looked down the street, leaving Mrs. Ballard still conversing in her sonorous fog horn voice.

In a few minutes she had a sort of an intuition that Dick, her recent husband, had left the hotel. Rushing to an upstairs window and opening it wide, she looked down the street. Sure enough there was Dick almost a block away. She immediately set up a commotion that startled the people for blocks, yelling in the twang of her highly pitched voice, denouncing him as a worthless helpmate.

In the meantime Dick pushed silently along, never turning his head to the right nor to the left, until he came to an alley. Into this he ducked with alacrity and did not lessen his haste until he reached the brewery.

While comfortably enjoying the first glass of beer he was surprised by the man-of-all-work about the hotel touching him on the shoulder and looking up at him shaking like a leaf—he was out of breath and white as a ghost.

"Oh, Mr. Ballard," he said, in an agitated voice between his gasps for breath, "come home, come home quick; Mrs. Ballard has fallen out of an upstairs window and broke her neck."

"Hold on, there," said Dick, as he unconsciously put up his protecting hand, don't you make me laugh, or you'll have my lip bleed in here in a minute."

Arriving at the hotel he found everything in confusion. Already the three physicians of the town were on the scene. Mrs. Ballard had been hastily carried into the parlor of the hotel and made as comfortable as possible on a lounge. Her head was awry on her shoulders as if it had received a twist. Her neck had either been broken or dislocated by the fall. The three country doctors were making a hurried examination. They retired for a consultation, and Dick approached his wife. While not unconscious, she was very much subdued, and with a voice that was patently false, she said:

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TEARS came into her eyes as she heard the verdict of the physicians, and Dick raised his hand to his cracked lip. Wife and husband looked at each other—rather looked and Mrs. Ballard glared.

Closing her eyes, as if admitting defeat, she said: "Dick, I have one word to say to you. You know you have spoken to my mother for years. Oh, Dick, why have you been so stubborn? She's a woman, even if she is my mother, and I want you to promise me that you'll be kind to her when I am gone tomorrow or next day, or whenever the funeral takes place with her to my grave, Dick?"

"Now look 'ee here, Dick, with an agonized expression, 'don't you ask anything of the kind. You mother, and you don't. I will do anything on earth that you request, ride behind your dear mother; no, she's dead, everything is done in occasion, and I'll militia march from cemetery as an escort with your mother."

"Oh, Dick," she sobbed, "it is my only dying request that you show enough respect for my memory to talk with you to my mother, and I'll militia march from cemetery as an escort with your mother."

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# REDUCTION SALE

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the fact that this store can give you better bargains in all Winter Goods than it is possible for you to find anywhere else. Come and examine the goods for yourself and get our marked-down prices.

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#### LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

New Post cards at S. Cotulla's.  
 Fish and oysters at Martin's.  
 Fresh line of candies just received at S. Cotulla's.  
 Lots of drummers in town this week.  
 H. H. Mills Jr., was in town one day this week from Dilley.  
 Jno. M. Daniel went to San Antonio Thursday night.  
 Dates, figs and coconuts at S. Cotulla's.  
 A cold East wind prevailed yesterday.  
 A. G. Salmon of Artesia was in the city Thursday.  
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. Evetts a fine girl Tuesday, 21st.  
 Buy your candy and fruits from S. Cotulla.  
 T. J. Allen was in town yesterday from Dimmit county.  
 Valentines at S. Cotulla's. See his line before you buy.  
 J. M. Ramsey was in the city yesterday from Artesia.  
 You get what you go after—a first class meal at Martin's.  
 Sheriff Hill and family spent part of this week at the ranch.  
 Lonnie Allee of Encinal was in town during the week.  
 Look up the Club rate propositions in this issue of the RECORD.  
 Reagan Cartwright was in town from the ranch during the week.  
**YOUR SPRING SUIT—REED.**  
 Sixty-four hackberry trees have been planted out around the Park.  
 County Judge C. C. Thomas spent several days this week in Austin on legal business.

L. W. Sledge has moved into Mrs. Loula Bowen's residence in the central part of town.  
 There will be a regular meeting of the local Masonic Lodge tonight.  
 Col. W. A. H. Miller returned Monday from a business trip to San Antonio.  
**Onion Plants**—I have several acres of onion plants for sale. W. J. COLEMAN.  
 V. H. Harding has been out at the Rasmussen Ranch spending a week.  
 G. A. Manly is drilling a well for R. A. Gouger on one his lots on Front Street.  
 Look up the RECORD clubbing rates if you want some bargains in good reading matter.  
 T. R. Keck is having another rent dwelling put up just East of his lumber sheds.  
 J. H. Gallman purchased four town lots this week from R. E. Robinson.  
 W. H. Jackson, the telephone man, went up to Pearsall last night to be gone a few days.  
 Mrs. Jim Bell who has been in San Antonio for the past three weeks returned home Wednesday.  
 J. S. and Les Petty returned this week from a trip down in the Alice country where they contemplate moving.  
 Miss Flora Chapman of Artesia spent several days of this week in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. R. A. Gouger.  
 W. A. Kerr received word from Carlsbad, N. M., last week that his father, M. P. Kerr, was dangerously ill with pneumonia, and not expected to recover. Later, however, he received word that he was better and is expected to be out of danger by this time.

J. E. Boyd is here for a few months to look out after the engines on the I. & G. N. that tie up here at night.  
 Judge H. B. Gouger and wife who have been visiting relatives here returned to their home in Floresville Thursday morning.  
 L. A. Kerr accompanied by his little daughter, Genevieve, made a business trip to San Antonio first of the week.  
 Robert Black who has been away for the past two months visiting relatives in the North, returned to Cotulla this week.  
 H. W. Earnest, manager of the Millett Mercantile Company, and Atty. H. C. Lane of Millett were in Cotulla on business Thursday.  
 Dr. Parker of Dilley has purchased some town property from Judge Earnest and we understand will locate here in the near future.  
 The last published warning of the Tax Collector is in this issue of the RECORD. Take heed or ten per cent will be added to your taxes.  
 All of the old junk that has been laying partly in the street adjoining John Davis' blacksmith shop has been removed, and the appearance is much improved.  
 D. L. Neeley, the Center street grocery merchant, has about finished his new residence in the Southwestern portion of town and will move into it at an early date.  
 Rev. W. G. Gilstrap's mother died at Taylor last week after an illness extending over several weeks. Mr. Gilstrap has the sympathy of the community in this sad loss.  
 Mr. Dan Bonner and Mrs. Laura Turner were married last Sunday morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hocut, six miles West of Cotulla. The RECORD extends congratulations.

Lost—Small bay pony branded Y "laying down" on right shoulder. Notify D. T. WILLIAMS, of whereabouts.  
 Marion Gaddis, the ten year old son of L. W. Gaddis, had the misfortune last Saturday to cut off the end of his middle finger on his left hand with a lawn mower.  
 With the exception of a light shower in the forepart of the month, no rain has fallen this month. Rain is badly needed in all parts of the county, and everybody expects to see plenty of it the coming month.  
 There was about a couple of feet rise in the river at the bridge Thursday. We didn't learn whether the water was from above or the raise was caused by some of the dams being made higher below.  
 Ira C. Jennings is up from Zapata county ranch. Mr. Jennings says that fortunately they have plenty of water and very good grass on their ranch, but most ranches in that section are very short on both.  
 S. F. DeSpain was in town Thursday from down the river where he is building a string of fence. He said the onion crop at Riverdale looked fine and there is over a hundred acres in that vicinity.  
 W. E. Campbell was down from Millett one day this week. Said he was running his well rigs night and day now, but was getting along rather slowly on the Gardendale well on account of striking some hard rock.  
 Mr. Will G. Borum, editor of the Collinsville (Tenn.) Star, was among the arrivals on Tuesday's train. Mr. Borum will spend several weeks in this section for the benefit of his health. He is now at Woodward drinking some of the world's best water and otherwise enjoying himself.

#### MONEY TO LOAN

On Farms and Ranches.

VENDOR'S LIEN NOTES BOUGHT

REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

E. B. CHANDLER,  
San Antonio, Texas.

102 E. Crockett St.,  
Next the river.

We printed this week for W. H. Sylvester 1000 Envelopes, 500 Letter Heads; Geo. E. Tarver, 1000 Statements; G. W. Henrichson, 500 Note Heads; E. E. Scoggins, 150 Cards; J. W. Campbell & Sons, Carrizo Springs, 1000 Envelopes, 3000 Bill Heads.

Roland A. Gouger has moved into his new residence on East Heights. East Heights is beginning to loom up as a residence section of our town. Its splendid view from the business portion makes it a desirable place to build; the high location where the cool breeze is continuous makes it a pleasant place to live.

Mr. E. E. Scoggins, the Jeweler from Sabinal, who was mentioned in last issue of being here looking for a location, has located at Gaddis' Pharmacy. Mr. Scoggins' family will be here in a few days. All of his tools have not yet arrived but he has been kept pretty busy with those he brought with him since he opened up. We are glad to see Mr. Scoggins locate with us.

G. M. Magill, a well known real estate man was in the city Wednesday. Mr. Magill's headquarters is now at Bay City and he says there is considerable activity in real estate in that section. He recently made a trip to Chicago, Milwaukee and points in other Northern states, and says there's no question but what thousands of people will come to Texas the coming year. Southwest Texas is talked of everywhere, he said.

Elmer E. Critchfield, a prominent business man of Chicago, accompanied by his little daughter, are in the city, guests at Judge F. B. Earnest's home. Mr. Critchfield was in Cotulla three years ago and took a brief hunt on Mr. C. F. Binkley's ranch, and since then says he has always felt an interest in the town and is glad to note the advancement that has been made since that time. He is a man who travels considerably and keeps his eyes open and says there is no place in the United States where such marvelous development has been made as between Cotulla and San Antonio during the past three years, and he does not believe the past progress will be a starter to what it will be the next three years. Mr. Critchfield is an enthusiastic huntsman, and while he got down too late for deer has been enjoying some fine quail shooting. He has the record pair of elk horns of the United States. He killed this elk in Wyoming last winter. Mr. Critchfield says the elk horns in Buckhorn Saloon at San Antonio are the sixth largest of which there is any record.

#### CLUB RATES

RECORD and the Semi-Weekly Express.....\$1.75  
 The RECORD, the Semi-Weekly Austin Statesman and Diversified Farmer, .....\$1.50  
 The RECORD and the Thrice a week New York World.....\$1.75  
 The RECORD and Holland's Magazine.....\$1.50

#### OUR JEWELRY DEPARTMENT

is now in charge of Mr. E. E. Scoggins, who comes to us well recommended as an expert Jeweler, who will give special attention to all kinds of repairing and engraving. When anything is wanted that we haven't in stock we will order it. We will be pleased to compare prices at any time and if we cannot show you that we can do just as well by you as any mail order house can, we will not ask you to buy.  
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