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SOAKING RAIN FALLS OVER ALL S. W. TEXAS

Farmers Jubilant Over Outlook For Good Crops—Stockmen Will Have a Fine Range.

A soaking rain fell over Southwest Texas Thursday night and Friday. The precipitation began about dark Thursday evening, continued all night and up to noon yesterday. It was the kind of rain that goes in the ground and will be of great benefit to stock and farm interests.

Farmers are jubilant over the outlook for bumper crops, as the season in the ground at present is better at this time than any year since 1906.

Stockmen are wearing smiles of contentment. Their water holes are all full and grass is coming in a hurry. The tallweed crop is good in nearly all parts of the county and shipments of fat cattle will be going out by the first of April.

Beginning March 1st Stores Close at 6 p. m.

Beginning March 1st, the principal business houses will close at six o'clock each evening, except Saturdays. This custom has been in vogue for several years during the summer months and has been found to be very satisfactory, giving the clerks time for recreation.

The following agreement was handed to The Record for publication.

We, the undersigned business men of Cotulla, agree to close our places of business at six o'clock p. m., commencing March 1st, 1912.

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American Insurance Union.

It is important that all members be present at the W. O. W. Hall Wednesday night, Feb. 28. We will have election of officers, initiation of new members, fraternal talks and a general social good time. Refreshments will be served and the ladies are given the opportunity of donating their part in the way of cakes, pies, etc. Be on hand at 8 o'clock sharp.

Roland A. Gouger, Pres.

Death of Edward Buckley.

News reached Cotulla last Saturday evening of the death of Edward Buckley of Eagle Pass. Mr. Buckley had been in ill health for several months and took his own life at the San Francis Home in San Antonio.

Edward Buckley was well known here. He was one of the large sheep men of the early days and later heavily interested in cattle business. For the past ten or twelve years he has been in business at Eagle Pass.

He was a veteran of the Civil war and a gentleman of sterling character.

Distributing Point Here.

The Buffalo-Pitts Mfg. Co. will put in a stock of Olds gasoline engines here and make Cotulla a distributing point for this section of Southwest Texas. The Cotulla Lumber Co. will be their local representative.

OROZCO AGREES TO ACCEPT PRESIDENCY.

Washington Gets Information that He Has Joined Revolutionists With General Trevino—Texas Prepares.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—Official advices have been received here that General Orozco has agreed to accept the provisional presidency of Mexico and joined the revolutionary forces with General Trevino. Officials consider recent development in Northern Mexico ominous. Chihuahua seems to be the hot bed of the revolution. Americans are getting out of the republic as fast as possible.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 23.—Unusual activity prevails in the adjutant general's department, due to the unsettled condition of the Mexican situation.

It is reported the department has information that there may be an outbreak at any time on the border, especially across from El Paso, in Juarez. Adjutant General Henry Hutchings today wired Col. E. E. Walker, assistant quartermaster general of the guard, who is at Fort Worth, to return to Austin at once.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Wait for the big sale at Brown's Store.

M. J. Barlow capitalist of San Antonio was here on business during the week.

Sister to Mr. R. D. Barnes was here this week. She returned home Thursday morning.

J. L. Steadham has resigned his position as traveling salesman and will give his entire attention to his farming interests on the Nueces.

H. W. Moon, of Wichita, Kas., was among the arrivals here yesterday. He will be associated with Ben J. Yowell in the contracting and building business.

Miss Gaines, niece of J. L. and H. B. Stedham, was among the arrivals yesterday. Miss Gaines will have charge of the millinery department at Brown's store.

Misses Mildred and Laura Brown arrived here from Gregory Wednesday. They are sisters to Mr. O. A. Brown, who recently purchased the Fawcett dry goods store.

We have been requested to announce that there will be a meeting of base ball enthusiasts at W. L. Pease's barbershop next Wednesday night, for the purpose of organizing a club for 1912. All interested are invited to be present.

G. W. Gates, a banker of Monte Vista, Colo. who owns land near Cotulla was here yesterday conferring with Mr. Simpson, manager of the irrigation district relative to having his holdings included.

B. H. McMinn, of the La Salle Land & Fig Company of Artesia Wells, was in Cotulla yesterday. Mr. McMinn stated his company was putting out fifteen acres of figs this year at Artesia Wells.

Messrs. H. B. Miller and H. Talens left Thursday for a few days' pleasure trip to Monterey. They expect to be back about the middle of next week if the revolutionists or the Mexican government is good enough not to hold them up as suspicious characters.

GOOD ROADS



OUR MOTIVE POWER HAS IMPROVED FROM THE OXEN TO THE MOGUL.

The human event next in importance to the invention of the wheel was the development of motive power, beginning with the domestication of animals and gaining its greatest distance when metal was substituted for muscle. The subjugation of substance and the harnessing of the elements and making them a faithful, reliable and obedient servant to mankind has been the crowning event of our civilization, but our road improvements have not kept pace with our advancement in motive power. Build roads and keep up with the procession.

..Fig Culture..

By W. A. DOUGHERTY
Twenty years with U. S. Agriculture Department—now located at Cotulla, Texas

Fig, the oldest fruit of which we have record, dating back to the Garden of Eden, have been through out the ages a most staple fruit, in the milder climates of the old continent, yet they have been sadly rejected in the South, East and Western states.

Southern orchardist and planter in fig culture been realized. This as in other good things, when once discovered, the enterprising American grasps the opportunity and especially is this so in the Louisiana and East Texas Gulf Coast country, with a scattering here and there in lands as far West as Brownsville Texas, and while it is progressing slowly, an industry is being established that will in a few years prove one of the great sources of wealth to the South.

In Texas along the Gulf coast, and inland for 150 miles a wonderful interest is being manifested in Fig Culture both for Home consumption and on a commercial scale. The principal commercial plantings at this time being in the southern portion of Louisiana and South East Texas, the only reason that I can see for the industry being centered at these points, is that a few wide awake citizens saw the opportunity and have taken advantage of it. The land is in no way superior to a majority of the land in South and Southwest Texas and in the interior for one hundred and fifty miles or more.

They have more rain fall in East Texas and Louisiana but that is no particular benefit to Figs rather the reverse in that it is rain, if the same water could be applied to the roots of the tree and not fall on the fruit, too, it would be all right. The Fig wants plenty of water but not on the fruit and no fruit is grown so easily but even so it should be looked after by one who knows how to care for these trees and crops, and yet there are cases where results are had from practically no care at all but no commercial results.

Fig culture in one sense I find to be the simplest form of fruit growing, the trees as a rule are healthy, no scale insect attacks the tree or fruit and with fairly good care will live to a great age, and no fruit is more whole-

some, either fresh or preserved and preserving is very easily done.

Only a limited area of this vast country is adapted to Fig Culture, not to exceed one sixtieth part. Only a limited number of people in the limited area will understand it, and only a few will attempt to reap the rich harvest rewards.

The Fig is the fruit for the masses, a fruit for every one living in the lower south to grow; you do not have to depend upon the commission man, honest or dishonest, or the rise and fall of the perishable fruit market for the disposition of the product.

There is no part of the south that will produce finer Figs than Southwest Texas if one has the water to apply to the roots and plenty of sunshine to the fruit.

There have been many failures in Fig growing especially in to West Texas and my reason for it is the lack of knowledge on the part of the planter, on how to prepare the soil and especially the subsoil and this I believe the later is absolutely necessary if you expect good results and irrigation is necessary up to the middle of August when it should be cut off entirely to allow the sap to recede, "many will look out of the corner of their eye at this statement," but try it, and if your conditions are right, I am sure you will open your eyes. I am referring to the action of frost on year trees and preparing for it and every effort should be made to have the sap work down after Nov. 1st, then as soon as the time for frosts are over begin irrigating again very heavily litterly soak your orchard and then cultivate; fruit conditions from the previous season will tell you whether one needs to put any fertilizer on the orchard always remembering that the Fig tree when it comes to eating and drinking is a gormound

ENGINEERING FORCE IS INCREASED.

Work At Reservoir Site Will Begin Monday Morning—Much Interest In Big Project.

This week two more engineering parties, headed by B. S. Mounsey and Seymour Huff, were put in the field on the irrigation project. The field work is now being done rapidly and will be pushed to completion as early as possible, but the task is a great one and will take considerable time to finish.

Monday morning if the weather clears up, the outfits will move to the reservoir site where a complete survey will be made, showing exactly the land that will be covered by water impounded. As the basin is some fifteen or twenty miles long and in places four to six miles wide, and everywhere covered with a heavy growth of underbrush, it can be seen that this is no small job.

Every day owners of land are having their land included in the district and putting up their prorata of the expense for the survey. The proposition is growing and getting the money and influence behind it that is certain to put it through.

Has Charge of Mexican Work.

Rev. J. F. Kimball of Pearsall was here Thursday. Rev. Kimball has just moved to Pearsall and taken charge of the Mex-

Baptist Association, and was here in the interest of the Association, and will revive the Mexican Baptist church which he organized several years ago.

of the first water.

There is always more or less pruning to do and this from my experience one must learn from experience rather than take chances, it will pay the planter to have a man who knows how to prune his trees and by following him and taking notes; in a short time, he can prune his own trees.

There are several kinds of Figs, Magnolia Fig is considered to be the commercial fig, as it is about the largest fig we have, there are smaller figs that are much finer in the writers opinion for table use or as one would use strawberries with cream and sugar.

For the fruit industry in South West Texas is in its infancy and before it will go very far beyond this state the would be orchardist must learn how to handle the soils and subsoils for fruit culture.

TEXAS SWEEP BY FIFTY-MILE WIND.

Much Damage Done By Storm In All Sections—Telegraph And Telephone Service Prostrated.

Texas was swept by a gale of unusual intensity Tuesday. It covered the state from one end to the other, and attained a velocity of over fifty miles an hour at times, doing much damage.

At San Antonio the damage is estimated at \$100,000. Houston suffered greater than any of the cities. While the wind was at its highest fire broke out and could not be controlled, destroying four blocks of buildings. The loss is placed at \$7,000,000.

All over the state telegraph and telephone service was prostrated. No connection could be had with San Antonio until noon Wednesday. Locally very little damage done. Probably \$1000 would cover the total amount. A barn on G. H. Knaggs place blew down crushing his survey; Judge Earnest's windmill went down; several sheet iron buildings were unroofed; numerous small barns and shacks went down before the wind, but no buildings of consequence were damaged.

The dust was terrific. The skies appeared as though they were ablaze, the air being filled with red soil from the farms to the North and Northwest of town. The dust was

time during the day. Just North of the town around the curve in the railroad eleven telegraph polls went down.

The storm blew up about noon and continued until nine o'clock that night. The sky was cloudless.

Record Job Orders.

The RECORD turned out the following order this week: H. B. Miller, 1000 purchaser's contracts, 500 agents contracts, Russell & Dunn 500 circular letters; Riverdale Farm 2,000 letter heads; Wilson & Strawn, 1000 envelopes, 1000 letter heads; H. B. Miller 2,000 receipts.

At Presbyterian Church.

There will be preaching at the Presbyterian Church next Sunday, the 25th inst., at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 9:45 a. m. We will be pleased to see you there and trust you will come and bring one or more of your friends with you.

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CAUSEWAY A WONDER

Structure Over Two Miles Long Has Cost \$2,000,000 and Involves Fine Engineering.

Galveston, Tex., Feb. 20.—In the Galveston causeway, which will cost approximately \$2,000,000 when completed, there is both a concrete structure of immensity and a concrete illustration of the scale upon which things are done in Texas.

In a detailed account of the structure, which now connects the Island City with the mainland, Harry Van Demark, in the Texas Magazine, gives the following interesting figures:

"The causeway is 10,642 feet in length, divided into roadway, arch bridge and lift bridge. It contains a total of 1000 feet of unprotected roadway and a total of 7184 feet of protected roadway.

"The arch bridge consists of 28 arches, with a 70-foot span, and a 9-foot rise, a total of 2357 feet. The rolling lift bridge gives a clear waterway of 100 feet.

"The roadway portion of the structure is 154 feet in width, carrying 40 feet of county road and two interurban railway tracks, with room for two additional. The roadway portion will be devoted to the three tracks of the roads interested with room for more.

"The arch bridge portion has been reduced to a total width of 66 feet, consisting of 22 feet of county road, 15 feet for single track interurban and 29 feet for double track steam road.

"The portion designated as the 'protected roadway' is protected on sides by a continuous row of reinforced concrete sheet piling. Slopes are covered with 6-inch concrete slabs.

"The arch bridge consists of reinforced concrete arch designs, and carries two lines of hand railing. The foundation for the arches are from 11 to 16 feet below the bottom of the bay.

"It is also provided that the lift bridge and the causeway is to be operated with a complete and modern block signal system, which is designed to prevent any possible confusion of trains or danger to other boats.

The lift bridge is a wonderful piece of engineering.

FINDS A NEW AFRICAN TRIBE

Described as Amazingly Intelligent and Powerfully Strong.

Berlin, Germany, Feb. 20.—Dr. Neke, an authority on Africa, has found in the neighborhood of the new German territory, surrounded by France, a tribe he describes as "the people of the future," assigning to them practically all the virtues of the civilized races as well as their original strength and manliness.

The new nation is a branch of the mighty Fang race, called Jaunde. Its people number 500,000 and are increasing rapidly. The whole nation is pushing westward from its native region near the sources of the White Nile.

Dr. Neke says the people are amazingly intelligent, powerful physically, are fond of work and have an astonishingly rich language, in which they can express in native form the most modern ideas of modern things.

Negro Weds White Woman

Jack Johnson, Negro Pugilist, Marries a Divorced Woman in Pittsburg.

Chicago, Feb. 20.—Jack Johnson, champion pugilist, tonight confirmed the report that he had obtained a marriage license in Pittsburg, and had further he had married Etta Duryea in Pittsburg shortly thereafter. Johnson said the marriage was open and legal and there should be no blame attached.

His wife, he said, obtained a divorce from Clarence Duryea in Chicago about eighteen months ago through A. Boyd, a Chicago lawyer. Duryea was served in the suit, but defaulted, and the service was sent to his home in Malone, N. Y. Johnson's wife said tonight she had lived at Hempstead, L. I., and would not discuss her former husband.

Johnson said: "I married her seven months before. She started the suit against me. I know nothing about her former husband, never having seen him, so far as I know. All I know is that she was my wife, and who she was, I don't know."

Etta Terry was the maiden name of the former wife of Clarence E. Duryea of Hempstead. She was the daughter of David Terry, member of an old-time Long Island family, who died about three weeks ago. She married Clarence Duryea about nine years ago. Duryea the son of John Duryea, a wealthy retired commission merchant of New York City, was a singer in a cathedral choir at Garden City, and both he and his wife went on the light opera stage not long after their marriage. Later they were separated and ultimately were divorced.

Morse Goes Aboard Vessel

Bank Wrecker Sails for Germany to Take Bath Treatments.

New York, Feb. 20.—Charles W. Morse, the bank wrecker whose fifteen-year sentence in the Federal penitentiary at Atlanta was recently commuted on account of illness, boarded the Hamburg-American liner Kaiserin Augustin Victoria tonight to sail at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning for Europe. He will take the bath treatment at Bad Nauheim, in Germany.

After spending less than a week in New York, complaining of annoyances from newspaper reporters, the invalid ex-convict outwitted newspaper men for several hours tonight. He and his wife, son and physicians drove away from the Morse apartments.

It became known today that Morse has been served here in a suit brought by the Assets Realization company, a corporation which was organized to take over Morse's holdings after his downfall. The nature of the suit was not disclosed.

Finds His Stomach Full of Brads

Shoemaker Had Been Swallowing Hob Nails for Years—Was Using His Mouth as a Tack Box.

Burlington, N. J., Feb. 20.—Abraham Leconey, a shoemaker at Delaware, was taken to a Philadelphia hospital suffering from stomach ache. All the home remedies failed to relieve him and the puzzled doctors finally proposed an X-ray examination. The light revealed about a hundred brads sticking in the walls of the shoemaker's stomach. He admitted that for several years he has used his mouth for a temporary tack box while at work at his bench, and said he remembered swallowing a few brads at various times during the last ten years. Surgeons say one section of Leconey's stomach has more tacks in it than the sole of a boot. It is hoped that an operation may relieve him.

Check for Wagging Tongues.

Annapolis, Md., Feb. 20.—A bill designed to protect woman from gossip has been introduced in the House of Delegates by Mr. Phillips of Wicomico county. The proposed law inflicts a penalty of from six months to three years upon any person who, in the hearing of others, make any assertion reflecting upon the good name of a woman.

GREEN HITS NEW YORK WOMEN

And He Plays Them to a Terrible Finish, Too.

Col. Edward Howland Robinson Green of Texas, son of Hetty Green of New York, says most men want to "marry a woman, not a clothes horse."

"Children are the last thing they want," he said of New York women. "None of them know how to cook or sew. And they would deny that their good old homely grandmothers knew how to wash clothes."

"If a fashionable New York woman went up Fifth avenue with a ring in her nose, the jewelers could not supply the demand. They want to peacock around the theaters and restaurants so as to be seen by men not their husbands."

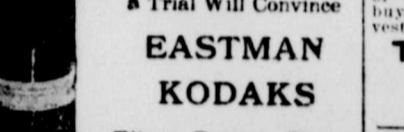
Beeville—Secretary G. M. Boyd and B. Klipstein president of the First National bank, have returned from San Antonio, where they attended the citizens banquet to Mr. Mounsey, the representative of English capital, which is going to build the San Antonio, Rockport and Mexican railroad, and give it as their opinion that the road will be built and that soon. They are strong in the belief that Beeville will get the road.

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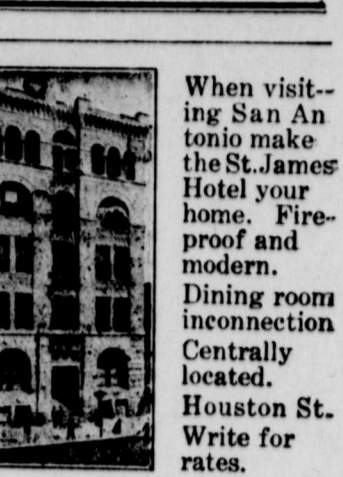
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Their Wedding Day

By HON. M. PAUNCFOTE

All was in readiness for the wedding on the following day, Sunday. Silas Troop had to earn his last day's pay before the short holiday he was giving himself on the occasion of the great event. He was an intrepid, big, whole-hearted Welshman, this Silas—a coal miner. He came of a race of miners; all his neighbors did the same thing, and the village existed by the pit.

Early in the morning of Saturday he was at the cottage gate where dwelt the girl whom he was to wed the next day.

"Farewell, lass," he was saying, as they lingered in the sunny June morning for the last words. "After tomorrow I shall come back to our own home and find my wife waiting for me. Eh, how will that be, Betty?" He took her face in his hands, and her answer was lost in a sounding kiss.

"Now, Betty," he went on, "I must away to the pit for the morning's shift. But some time today I go to Bangor to buy—can you guess what, lass? Thy wedding ring."

After a moment pretty Betty Lloyd, blushing and struggling to free herself, replied:

"Thou wilt be careful, and play no pranks, Silas, dear, and be sure ye be prompt at the church door, nine o'clock Sunday."

"Never fear, lass," was the reply. "Don't be late, that's all." He turned as if to go, and then suddenly wheeled round.

"I be so happy myself, Betty, I should like to help young master to a bit of luck to find another vein of coal. This pocket is nearly ended, and it hardly pays him to work it any longer. I feel pretty sure there is another vein in the opposite direction to which manager is tunneling. I'd like to convince him, but he is a hard, obstinate man. Now, lass, I shall be late. I must go."

"Farewell, lad," said she, and waved him goodby, while the tall, well-made fellow went down the road. Long after he was gone she stood looking after him. Betty loved her sweetheart wholly, surely, without question. They had been playmates from childhood, and their marriage was an event in the village.

At this moment the baker in his cart came rumbly along, and, having seen the lovers at the gate from

a distance, was shyly anxious to pass the time of day.

"Why, where is Silas gone?" he asked. "I seed him from the hill with you. I am going into Bangor. Don't you want me to get you a fairing, Mistress Betty?"

"No, kind sir," laughed Betty. "Silas is going to Bangor. You might give him a lift, if you will. He is down the road, going to the pit."

"I'll take him along. I'm going to put up at the Red Lion and have my dinner there." And he drove away.

Betty ran gaily back into the cottage, through the path thickly bordered by old-fashioned flowers which seem to grow better in cottage gardens than elsewhere. The cottage itself—a long, low-thatched house, painted white—had a great air of comfort. It stood on a hill above the pit village, holding itself, as it were, aloof, as indeed old Mrs. Lloyd had done all her life. Betty, full of life and happiness, danced in at the door.

"Silas has been to see me, grandmother, before he went to the pit." Then she flung her arms around the old lady as if to make her dance, too.

"Let me be, Betty. You wild girl, I can't be a dancing with the likes of you. Ah, me, how I mind me forty-five years ago, when me and my man went to the church. It does seem but yesterday. Now all are gone. Only you and me, my pretty, left out of all of them. Twelve in the family, and all gone—all gone. But I must not repine. Tomorrow is the wedding day, and all must be bright and happy. Have ye gotten everything ready for the morrow? Dear heart, don't waste time gossiping with grandmother, but run off and busy yourself."

Almost at once the old woman fell into the comfortable doze of old age, dreaming how she had brought up this sweet picture of a lass, kept her good and true, and how tomorrow she would hand the child over to Silas and to happiness.

Mrs. Lloyd smiled softly, for she felt the good Lord had dealt gently with her. Her dreams continued, and she saw Silas's cottage inhabited by Betty, saw her surrounded by toddling, yellow-haired children clinging to her skirts.

Suddenly the course of these dreams was stopped by Betty, who ran into the room calling:

"See, grandmother—see my wedding dress. It's finished, and so fine! Look at this bonnet. I shall be at my very best, shan't I, granny, dear?"

While exhibiting her finery she did indeed look so charming that the old lady, usually chary of kisses, could not resist petting her. A great pang shot through her heart at the thought that this sunbeam would so soon flit away.

"You have been a good girl to me, and you and Silas will make as pretty a pair as ever stepped," she declared, gazing at the girl with kind, dim old eyes.

In the meantime the baker found Silas down the road, and persuaded him to take the lift at this hour, instead of walking later into Bangor.

As they jogged along, Silas was warned against the press gang, which was very active in the port these days. Many likely lads had been carried off and would never be seen again. At length when they reached Bangor, Silas got out in High street, promising to meet his friend at the Red Lion Inn for a bit of dinner at noon.

Silas soon found what he wanted, and, after buying the ring and a fairing for Betty, he strolled, very happy and content, to the inn. Suddenly he found himself jostled by a bevy of men who appeared to be chasing a man. To his horror, Silas beheld his friend, the baker, overcome and caught. Before he could do anything he himself was surrounded.

The whole crowd plunged into the courtyard of the Red Lion Inn, whence the astonished hostlers fled in every direction.

One of them opened a door leading into the alley of the back street, through which he and Silas ran, while the press-gang battered down the door after them.

About 5 o'clock in the afternoon a disturbance seemed to be in the air with anxious faces toward the pit of the village. People were hurrying. An accident had occurred, but of what nature it was uncertain.

As the moments passed, more and more people hurried on, murmuring: "The pit! The pit!" The straggling village street was quickly deserted. All houses were left empty. Horror had come upon the people.

Only Mrs. Lloyd and Betty knew nothing, for their cottage was out of the way, almost on the confines of the next village. The fact of their being so busy prevented them from realizing what was going on. They alone heard and saw nothing.

A large crowd had gathered at the pit's mouth. After inquiry, it was disclosed that a small explosion had taken place. A fall of granite followed. All of the men were safe, but none could come up, as the cage had been broken. They said it could soon be repaired.

A long, anxious wait ensued. At length the well-known sound was heard of the cage approaching outer world. The air was rent with cries of joy as the men appeared. Wives embraced their husbands with the frenzy of anxiety relieved, and mothers clung to their sons.

Those poor women whose names had not appeared tried to pierce the gloom in the vain hope of seeing or hearing something.

A great strain fell upon the group of watchers. When the cage after cage had brought up the miner, the roll call was gone over. All were accounted for alive, but some were suffering from shock and contusions.

The relief was intense. Some time was taken up by discussion and accounts of the disaster, when some one asked:

"Where is Silas Troop?"

"Nobody knew."

"He be with Betty," said one. Another replied: "Silas went to market. He druv with the baker in his cart."

None knew for certain whether or no he had gone down in last shift, and his name was among those inscribed.

All the villagers were and tired, they let the matter thinking Silas was no do with Betty. Gladly they flung their arms in arm, thankful to see the pit was left to darkness and silence on Saturday night.

The next morning the sun shone gaily, and at 9 o'clock Mrs. Lloyd and Betty, both dressed in their finest and looking as smart as could be, walked to the church, distant from the cottage.

The old rector, who had called tened both Silas and Betty, returned late the night before a visit, and was awaiting the pie. He talked pleasantly with Mrs. Lloyd and admired Betty's dress.

Then minutes passed, and no Silas appeared. Some boys were to look down the road to see if he were coming. The minister dragged on, and still no Silas. By half past nine poor Betty, almost in hysterics, went quickly down to the lich-gate, straining her eyes in the vain effort to see the distance. But her eyes were too full of tears to see anything.

What could have happened? Then the kindly old clergyman, taking Mrs. Lloyd aside, said to her:

"It is evident that some unforeseen accident has overtaken Silas. Of course, we shall have a satisfactory reason for him, for he is the best of the lads here; but in the meantime, as the hour for morning service is approaching, had better take you and Betty before the congregation arrive."

Tenderly he led the two weeping women away to home, which was prepared for a very different return.

Years passed, and nothing ever heard again from Silas. Betty never married, though beauty, which was remarkable, increased as she grew older. Her grandmother died, and, in addition to her looks, she owned the cottage and a tidy sum in the bank, many were her suitors.

The great topic for years after was, what had become of Silas? As the baker had been taken by the press-gang and Silas was known to have been in Bangor with him, the majority were convinced that this had been his case. Others, not so kindly posed, maintained that Silas had run away rather than be married. Never once did Betty's faith in Silas waver. She was convinced that he would return to her,

STAMP OUT THE CREDIT BUSINESS

MERCHANTS AND FARMERS ARE TOLD TO DO BUSINESS ON CASH BASIS.

Overproduction of Cotton and Underproduction of Money Crops Greatest Drawback.

Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 20.—Revolution in the economic conditions that have prevailed in the South was the keynote sounded at the Southern merchants' convention which opened in this city today. More than 400 delegates from several Southern states attended the initial sessions.

President J. K. Orr of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association, host to the visitors, urged the farmer to abandon the production of cotton as the chief money crop and to devote his attention to raising more corn, cattle, hogs, grain and hay. His message to the merchant, in which the farmer also was included, was to stamp out the credit system entirely and conduct business on a cash basis.

Judge Anderson of Rockhill, S. C., "father" of the Rockhill cotton reduction plan, asserted that overproduction of cotton and underproduction of money crops was the greatest drawback to the prosperity of the South.

Resolutions indorsing the Rockhill plan were introduced before the convention and referred to a special committee. It is expected that action on the resolution will be taken in the next few days.

Tributes to farmers and merchants, with the hope that they would formulate plans for extraordinary development in the South, were the sentiments expressed by Governor Joseph Brown of Georgia and Mayor Courtlandt Winn of Atlanta, in addresses of welcome.

Some women know things by intuition and some others get next by having husbands who talk in their sleep.

that she would see him again.

As she grew older she became silent and isolated, for all the girls of her age had married. She remained alone. The little children became afraid of her and called her the "looney." Her faith in one so long unseen, perhaps, induced the belief that she was unhinged.

Some years after Silas's disappearance the owner of the mine perceived the owner of the mine was obliged to sell the property. It was bought by a company with large capital and new capital and new machinery, who proceeded to work on new lines.

The engineers decided to attack a new vein from the other side of the hill. The new vein was rich and the company made money hand over fist. The pit village moved, in consequence, nearer to Bangor. A pitman's life is not a long one, so in fifty years Betty had become the oldest inhabitant.

One morning, she, a white-haired old woman, was slowly driving her donkey cart into Bangor, where she often went, partly because it was the last place Silas had been seen in, and it gave her some comfort in the early days.

In passing the pit's mouth she observed a commotion among the men standing around. Seeing her, some of them came running up to her, crying:

"Stop, there, Mistress Lloyd. You are the only person who can tell us who he is. We have found a man sitting up in the pit. He is tall and fair and young. At first we thought it was a ghost, but it is a man."

"It's my Silas," cried old Betty, struggling from her cart. "Take me to him."

The great, strong men gently took the old woman down the shaft into the mine, now lighted with new lamps. Through the hole they had picked they showed her the figure of her beloved one sitting patiently waiting.

He was in a cell or small chamber, where he had taken refuge during the explosion and was walling up. The exclusion of the air had preserved the body as if in life. There he sat, young and fair, just as Betty remembered him, and as her faith had pictured him waiting for her.

"Silas, my darling," she murmured, "I knew ye had not runned away from me."

With a great cry, the brave heart broke, and she fell to the ground.

The following day, two coffins were carried by the pitmen and buried in the old churchyard by the lich-gate.

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BENN PITMAN, PIONEER IN STENOGRAPHY, LEFT STATEMENT ABOUT CONSPIRATORS.

As Official Recorder of Trial, Declares Had Best Opportunity for True Opinion.

Cincinnati, Ohio, Feb. 20.—Almost fifty years after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln the pen of Ben Pitman, pioneer of stenography who acted as official stenographer at the trial of the conspirators, has revealed facts supporting his belief that Mrs. Mary Surratt, the woman hanged with three other conspirators, was innocent of the crime for which she was executed. The statement was written by Pitman just before his death here a year ago, and appears in the March issue of a Cincinnati magazine.

Statement in Part. A portion of Pitman's statement is: "That Mrs. Surratt, who was hanged with three male conspirators concerned in a plot to assassinate President Lincoln and other government officials, was entirely innocent of any prior knowledge of or participation in those crimes, is, to my mind, beyond question. My conviction is based on the following facts: Had Best Opportunity.

"That as official recorder of the trial, as having heard every word of the testimony, as compiler of the published volume, 'Lincoln Assassination Trial,' more than all, as having previous to the trial written down from the lips of the principal witnesses their stories of what they knew or about which, in their employment of spies, they lied, I have had the best opportunity of forming a true opinion as to the guilt or innocence of Mrs. Surratt."

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Public Roads.

Even with a high-powered automobile that could keep up a pace of 90 miles a day indefinitely, it would take a man more than 65 years to cover all the public roads in the United States. A young man of twenty starting out to accomplish this tremendous task would be 85 before he had covered the last mile of public highway in this county.

After an investigation extending over many months, Logan Waller Page, Director of the Office of Public Roads, has ascertained that there are now 2,199,645 miles of public roads built up to the year 1909. In 1904 there were exactly 2,151,379. It is apparent, therefore, that the increased mileage of new roads within a period of about five years has been 48,266.

La Salle county is doing her part towards the building of good roads. Up to this time there is about 215 miles of graded roads in the county, and all of these roads are in first class condition. In precincts, one two and four which are in charge of road boss Swisher 125 miles are graded. About ninety miles have been graded in precinct No. three. This work has been accomplished without a bond issue, and is by far more mileage than any other county in this part of the State can boast of.

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trader and spends more money in your house than you did in his. Don't let a man trade either with you a hundred years and not buy anything of him. If you don't commence some time to reciprocate he is liable to need something in your line, get mad and walk clear up to San Antonio after it. Reciprocity is a good thing even in a small country hamlet.

A short time ago the Mayor of Cotulla issued an order for a general clean-up, but as far as we can observe, very few citizens have done so. In almost any alley numerous tin cans and other rubbish can be seen. There is an ordinance prohibiting this accumulation, and it is now up to the Mayor to instruct the Marshal to do his duty. If the people have not enough pride to clean up at the request of the authorities, then we say put on the pressure.

During the nation-wide storm Tuesday Houston suffered the greatest loss of any Texas city. Fire broke out and the damage is estimated at six million dollars. San Antonio places her loss by wind at \$100,000.

It seems that the convention held at Del Rio on the 16th inst., for the purpose of starting a state-wide campaign for a purer ballot was not a frost by any means. No doubt the next legislature will amend the election law.

When asked if he was a candidate at Cleveland, Theodore Roosevelt answered, "My hat is in the ring." It looks like Teddy is going to be in the running.

Washington's birthday celebration at Laredo brought to the border city 10,000 visitors.

Quarterly Financial Statement of La Salle County For Quarter Ending February 12th, 1912.

Showing the Aggregate Amounts Received and Paid Out of Each Fund and the Balance to Their Debit or Credit.

JURY FUND		DR.	CR.
To balance last quarter		\$1,216.77	
To amount received during quarter		38.73	
By amount paid out during quarter			\$ 112.00
By commission on amount received			1.07
By commission on amount paid out			2.80
Amount to balance		1139.63	
		\$ 1255.50	\$ 1255.50

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND		DR.	CR.
To balance last quarter		\$ 24.22	
To amount received during quarter		5,948.67	
By amount paid out during quarter			\$ 5319.34
By amount transferred to other funds			358.97
By commission on amount received			148.71
By commission on amount paid out			132.98
Amount to balance		12.89	
		\$ 5972.89	\$ 5972.89

GENERAL FUND		DR.	CR.
To balance last quarter		\$ 215.27	
To amount received during quarter		10064.74	
By amount paid out during quarter			\$3057.82
By commission on amount received			251.62
By commission on amount paid out			76.44
Amount to balance		6894.13	
		\$10280.01	\$10280.01

COURT HOUSE AND JAIL FUND		DR.	CR.
To balance last quarter		\$ 19.26	
To amount received during quarter		9888.85	
By amount paid out during quarter			\$ 257.49
By amount transferred to other funds			3185.00
By commission on amount received			247.22
By commission on amount paid out			6.44
Amount to balance		6211.96	
		\$ 9908.11	\$ 9908.11

ROAD AND BRIDGE SINKING FUND		DR.	CR.
To balance last quarter		\$ 1483.21	
To amount transferred from other funds		358.97	
Amount to balance		1842.18	
		\$ 1842.18	\$ 1842.18

COURT HOUSE AND JAIL SINKING FUND		DR.	CR.
To balance last quarter		\$ 3488.47	
To amount transferred from other funds		2795.00	
Amount to balance		6283.47	
		\$ 6283.47	\$ 6283.47

COURT HOUSE SINKING FUND		DR.	CR.
To balance last quarter		\$ 870.00	
To amount transferred from other funds		390.00	
Amount to balance		1260.00	
		\$ 1260.00	\$ 1260.00

RECAPITULATION		DR.	CR.
By balance in Jury Fund		\$1,216.77	
By balance in Road and Bridge Fund		24.22	
By balance in General Fund		6,894.13	
By balance in Court House and Jail Fund		6,211.96	
By balance Road and Bridge Sinking Fund		1,842.18	
By balance Court House and Jail Sinking Fund		6,283.47	
By balance Court House Sinking Fund		1,260.00	
		\$23,644.26	

We, the undersigned, County Judge and County Commissioners of said county, and each of us hereby certify under the oath that on this 12th day of February, 1912, at the regular quarterly term of our said County Commissioners' Court, the requirements of Article 866, Chapter 1, Title XXV of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas as amended by the 25th legislature by bill approved March 20, 1897, have been in all things fully complied with by us at this term of court in respect to the examination and approval of the report herein before mentioned, and that the cash and other assets mentioned in said report as made by said Treasurer, and by said Treasurer held for the county, have been fully inspected by us, the money on hand in the hands of L. W. Gaddis, County Treasurer, and counted by us being \$23,644.26.

- C. C. THOMAS, County Judge.
F. D. McMAHON, Commissioner Prec. 1.
S. J. JORDAN, " " 3.
J. W. BAYLOR, " " 2.
R. S. SUTTON, " " 4.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, C. C. Thomas, County Judge, F. D. McMahon, S. J. Jordan, J. W. Baylor, R. S. Sutton, County Commissioners of said La Salle County, each respectively, on this 15th day of February, 1912.
(L. S.) G. H. Knaggs, County Clerk, La Salle County, Texas.

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John Winslow was here from Artesia during the week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Walker went to San Antonio Tuesday.

Henry Neal and Albert Knaggs went out to Fowlerton Tuesday.

N. G. Simpson made a business trip to San Antonio Saturday.

Quiet a number of Cotulla people attended the Laredo celebration.

"The worst ever" was the way everybody commented on Tuesday's storm.

Limited amount of Mabane cotton seed for sale by F. I. Rock Telephone 403 R 15.

Peter McEwen of Freeland Park, Ind., and Scott McEwen of Raub, Ind., were visitors in the city during the week.

The county treasurer's report made at the February term of Commissioners court is published in this issue of the Record.

The City election is drawing close, yet there are no candidates in the field. The election will be held in April.

Deputy Tax Assessor B. Wildenthal, Jr., is assessing property. The size of the tax assessor's rolls will be double this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Mose Baine of Artesia are the proud parents of a 12 pound boy. The young man arrived Tuesday 20th, and his name is Mose Jr.

Gas in the stomach or bowels is a disagreeable symptom of a torpid liver. To get rid of it quickly take Herbine. It is a marvelous liver stimulant and bowel purifier. Price 50c. sold by Horger & Windrow.

Dr. L. S. Johnston was among those that went to Laredo Thursday.

Genuine Mabane cotton seed for sale by F. I. Rock. Limited amount. Phone your order.

A company of Devine people appeared here Saturday night last in vaudeville, and played to a good house. Part of the receipts went to the Mothers Club.

FOR SALE—100 cords dry wood has been cut 12 to 18 months. \$3 per cord delivered at your home—J. H. GILBERT

A light train going north was four hours coming from Laredo against the windstorm Tuesday. The engineer reported many telegraph poles blown down along the road.

This is setting up time and, while we have little use for money ourselves, those from whom we buy ink, paper, type, gasoline, fuel, etc., seem to want money for their stuff.

A scald, burn, or severe cut heals slowly if neglected. The family that keeps a bottle of Ballard's Snow Liniment on hand is always prepared for such accidents: Price 25c, 50c, and \$1.00 per bottle. Sold by Horger & Windrow

The Southbound passenger has been late nearly every day this week. Bad weather in the North and heavy travel on this division account the border celebration, was the cause of the delays.

Robt. Dunlap was here this week. He had a contract on the Medina canal, but now has his outfit on the Franklin road being built out of San Antonio, to connect with the C. C. & U. at Fowlerton.

A child that has intestinal worms is handicapped in its growth. A few doses of White Cream Vermifuge destroys and expels worms; the child immediately improves and thrives wonderfully. Price 25c per bottle. Sold by Horger & Windrow

R. D. Barnes returned Wednesday from Gauze. He will not continue as agent for the I. & G. N. at Cotulla, and came down to have his house hold goods moved. Mr. Barnes has given excellent service for the company here and it is with regret the public sees him leave.

O. A. Brown has returned from St. Louis, and the new goods are now coming in. Mr. Brown has had wide experience in the Dry Goods line and made some fine selections and will always carry a fine stock, and in the near future expects to have the best store in his line between San Antonio and Laredo. Come in and see us; we need your help; our success is your gain.

BROWN He Sells CLOTHES Stockmen's Nat'l Bank Building

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Robuck and children visited the Laredo celebration this week.

J. H. Daniel and Jesse Rock took in the celebration at Laredo Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mowan left Saturday last for Dayton, Ohio. We regret to see Mr. and Mrs. Mowan move from our midst.

Ben. J. Yowell, contractor, went to Laredo this week and closed a deal with W. T. Hill, ex-sheriff of La Salle county, for a \$10,000.00 residence to be built on the Heights in Laredo.

A heavy cold in the lungs that was expected to cure itself has been the starting point in many cases of disease that ended fatally. The sensible course is to take frequent doses of Ballard's Horehound Syrup. check the progress of the disorder and assist nature to restore normal conditions. Price 25c, 50c and \$1.00 per bottle. sold by Horger & Windrow

To the Public.

Dr. R. L. Graham has purchased my interest in all accounts formerly owned by Dr. S. Johnston and Graham, and all who owe accounts for medical services to said Johnston and Graham are due same to Dr. R. L. Graham, and I have no further interest in said account.

Respectfully,
L. S. JOHNSTON, M. D.

State Inspector Visits Cotulla High School

Mr. E. A. Dechard of the State Educational Department, is on a tour of inspection of the schools which have received state aid to establish Agricultural, Manual Training and Domestic Science Departments, and last Tuesday visited the High School here and inspected the Agricultural and Domestic Science Departments. He informed Prof. Taylor before leaving that he would make recommendation to Supt. Bradley that the appropriation be made to this school again for next year if the school made application. He expressed himself as highly pleased with arrangement and condition of the departments here.

In commenting upon the plots for farming, Mr. Dechard remarked that but few schools in the state were as conveniently located. With respect to this, he recommended a larger engine for the pumping plant and suggested that we use the small one in connection with the windmill on the Johnston block.

The teachers of these departments are much encouraged over the report. With the work thus far advanced, it will doubtless be very advantageous next year.

COVEY CHAPEL NOTES.

Covey Chapel, Tex, Feb. 19—Rev. W. R. Hornburg, Baptist pastor, filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Newt Park and children and Miss Ruth Danley of Millett, visited at the G. W. Rumfield's Sunday.

Miss Annie Henderson one of the Dilley teachers visited Mrs. F. S. Moffett Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Violet Harrison who teaches in the Dilley school visited her friend Miss Grace Smith Saturday and Sunday.

Farmers, and people generally were much encouraged by a good rain which fell here last week. Plans are being perfected for the erection of a gin in this neighborhood before another ginning season.

Mr. Milton Brown and Miss Park were quietly married at their home of the

Miss's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Park, Wednesday Feb. 14. Only a few near relations were present. Rev. M. S. Garriga of San Antonio performed the ceremony. The contracting parties are well and favorably known and have a host of friends who wish them much happiness.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown are now at home at their ranch home twelve miles from Dilley.

A large number of guests enjoyed a Valentine party at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Moffett.

A Program of games and contests appropriate to the occasion was carried out.

Refreshments of cake and punch were served in the dining room which was decorated with festoons of hearts. At a late hour the guests departed wishing St Valentine's visits were more frequent.

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DODSON'S LIVER TONE DOES THE SAME WORK AS CALOMEL WITHOUT MAKING YOU SICK. IT IS VEGETABLE, TASTES GOOD AND NEVER FAILS.

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Gaddis' drug store sells a large bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone for fifty cents and guarantees it to be a perfect substitute for calomel and will give you your money back if it disappoints you.

When the bowels become irregular you are uncomfortable and the longer this condition exists the worse you feel. You can get rid of this misery quickly by using Herbine. Take a dose on going to bed and see how fine you feel next day. Price 50c sold by Horger & Windrow.

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FOR SALE—2 Meanea saddles 15-1-2 tree, style 14 plain, practically new, also 1 Ladies padded saddle, will sell about Feb. 25th. Saddles can be seen by inquiring of Roy Miller, Cotulla, Texas.

FOR RENT OR SALE—380 acres 2 miles East of Cotulla on the proposed Canal 60 acres in field, also 320 acres one mile north of town, easy terms.—Adolf Holz, New Braunfels, Texas.

A BARGAIN—Eight choice lots in East Heights. Inquire at The Record office.

FOR SALE—10 acres. Subdivision No. 253 and town lot. Altito ranch. Address F. A. Plantz, 8th and Washington St., Kansas City, Mo.

A Note to You



Cotulla, Feb. 24.

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TEXAS STATE NEWS

Cuero—Albert Stubbeman, while returning from school was attacked by two dogs and severely bitten. A physician dressed the wounds. It is not thought the dogs were mad.

Texarkana—Following an alleged attempt of a negro to assault a white woman near Bassett, Tex., notices were posted warning all blacks to leave Bowie county. The sheriff is investigating.

Hallettsville—Commissioners court is in regular quarterly session here. Petitions have been filed asking that the ex-officio salary of the county judge, now \$600, be increased to at least \$1200.

Taylor—H. E. Keith, traveling salesman, was arrested here, and after an examining trial was taken to Georgetown and lodged in the county jail on a swindling charge preferred by a Taylor and Granger concern.

Austin—The comptroller has forfeited the license of J. G. Benton of Pandora, Wilson county, on a charge that he sold intoxicating liquors to minors during December and January.

Wahatchie—The Palmer postoffice safe was blown by burglars. The explosion was not discovered until daylight. How much the robbers secured is not known, but it is believed to have been a small amount.

Gatesville—Testimony was finished and arguments begun today in the case of Mrs. Minnie Lee Straight, charged with the murder of her husband. The case probably will go to the jury in another day.

Waco—Two carloads of excavating machinery have arrived here for the lock and dam below Waco on the Brazos. The construction of cofferdams and then excavating will begin shortly. All necessary buildings have been completed.

Paris—A box of poisoned candy was received by Ben Brooks, a school teacher. He gave some of it to L. H. Wolfe, who became very ill, though his life was not endangered. The postmark was too dim to show where the box came from.

Corpus Christi—State Senator Willacy, who, last fall, announced that he would resign from the State senate, authorized a statement that he would continue in the legislative body and would serve the remaining two years of his term.

Georgetown—The Florence Mercantile company, doing a general mercantile and hardware business, lost its entire business by fire. Florence is eighteen miles north of Georgetown and has not fire protection. The loss was \$40,000, with \$22,000 insurance.

Austin—Assistant Attorney General James D. Walthall left today for San Antonio to discuss with friends there the advisability of his making the race for district judge of the Thirty-seventh district Judge Edward Dwyer. He will probably reach a decision soon after looking over the Bezar county political situation.

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ALAMO WORK AWAITS RESEARCH

RESTORATION OF WALLS WILL BEGIN AT ONCE, SAYS GOVERNOR COLQUITT.

President Madero of Mexico, has Promised to Have Archives Gone Over.

Several details concerning the original architectural form of the Alamo remain yet to be gleaned from historical sources before main work of restoring the old mission will be begun, said Governor Colquitt this morning when, in company with Mrs. Colquitt and Dr. B. Conley, superintendent of state buildings and grounds, arrived San Antonio. The governor is awaiting the arrival of descriptions and plans from Mexico, President Francisco I. Madero having promised to have a search made through old archives at the capital and furnish Governor Colquitt with all and all data that may be found therein relating to the "cottonwood" mission.

Work on Walls at Once.

The restoration of the walls of the convent court and the convent building itself, the foundations of which have been recently found, will begin at once, said Governor Colquitt. The section of the north wall and the east wall, now standing, said the governor, will be repaired, as they are evidently modern. He also stated that a picket fence of some kind of ornamental hedge would be constructed or planted along the eastern boundary of the Alamo property.

Concerning the expenditure of money besides that set aside in the appropriation, the governor asserted that such would not be necessary, as the work so far, on account of the handsome sum realized from the sale of the lumber from the old Hugo-Schmeltzer building had been more than self-supporting. The mission, he stated, can be restored satisfactorily by the expenditure of \$5000 set aside by the legislature for the purpose.

"There are many current traditions concerning the Alamo that have no basis in fact," said the governor. "I have found from reports furnished by the war department that there was no underground passageway—at least back as the '40s, and that the cisterns were built by the It States soldiers in 1846."

Says He Was Slayer of Governor Goebel

James Gilbert, Dying From Bullet Wound at Helena, Ark., Confesses to Assassination.

Helena, Ark., Feb. 20.—James Gilbert, formerly of Breathitt county, Ky., who said he had been a member of the Hargis faction in a feud, was fatally wounded in a revolver duel with a bartender here today, but before he died he declared he was the man who fired the shot that killed Governor William Goebel, at Frankford in January, 1900.

Gilbert had been in Helena about three years. He was some time ago charged with killing a man here, but was released on the plea of self-defense. Recently Gilbert was made a deputy sheriff and, according to the authorities here, was without any sense of physical fear. For about two weeks he had been living an irregular life, the events of which had their culmination in the shooting affray today.

Contract Let For Canal

San Antonio Engineers to Do Work at Fowlerton.

Contracts for the construction of a canal in connection with the irrigation project of Fowler Bros., in the Frio valley, have been awarded to Cory, Harrison & Bryant of this city. The canal will necessitate the excavation of about 25,000 cubic feet of material and the construction of a small dam.

Fowler Bros. are spending more than \$40,000 on this project and in developing their irrigation properties in the Frio valley. The completion of the project and construction of the Franklin road, which passes through Fowlerton, will undoubtedly give impetus to development in that section.

SEEDS ARE SCARCE AND HIGH

DEALERS BLAME UNIVERSAL FAILURE IN MANY CROPS FOR RISING PRICES.

Timothy Sells at Twice Quotations of Three Years Ago—Garden Varieties Advance.

The seed crop, which has been short for the last two years in most of the staples, will be still shorter this year, according to St. Louis dealers, who predict an advance of 25 per cent this season over the prices of last year. The prices of some of the common garden seeds will remain the same as last year; a few varieties will be lower, while some of the principal staples will advance as much as 50 per cent over last year's prices. Seed corn has advanced from \$1 to \$1.50 a bushel.

"Seed corn is so scarce we are not handling it at all," said Frederick S. Plant, president of the Plant Seed Company, which has been doing business in St. Louis for more than half a century, "and timothy, which has been short for three years, has reached the highest mark ever reached in the history of the seed trade, selling at \$14 to \$16 a hundred pounds. The normal price up to two years ago was \$6 to 7. Red clover, that was normal at \$12 to \$16 a hundred two years ago, is now selling for \$20 to \$23.

"I would not blame the short drought of last summer for these prices, which have been advancing for two or three years. Little seed of any kind is produced in Missouri or Kansas. Most of the garden seed of commerce is produced in New York, Michigan, California, Canada and Europe, and the advance in prices is due rather to a general shortage in the world supply, which will average about 25 per cent on all the staple crops."

W. F. Nichol, president of the St. Louis Seed Company, said: "The seed crop is short in many lines this year and farmers will have to be careful in buying if they get seed that will produce a full crop. Seed corn of good quality is so scarce this year that to get good seed will be difficult at any price."

Warns Husband Against Pie

Poisoned Wife Telephones Just in Time to Save Him.

Shamokin, Pa., Feb. 20.—Despite the fact that she was almost dead from ptomaine poisoning, after eating canned rhubarb that she had put in a pie, Mrs. William Conway went to the telephone and saved her husband from a similar illness, warning him not to eat the piece of pie she had put in his lunch box.

Conway is employed in a store and could not go home for lunch. His wife baked a pie and included it in the luncheon for Conway. She sent her son to the store with it and then ate some of the pie herself. She was soon seized with terrible pains and suspected the cause of it. Staggering to the telephone, she called up her husband and cried, "Will, don't eat the pie; it's poisoned."

She thereupon sank senseless to the floor. Conway, who was about to taste the pie when he received the startling message, hurriedly went home and found his wife almost dead. Doctors, after hard work, resuscitated her.

Embalmng Process For Eggs

Chemical Fed to Hen Does Away With Storage Warehouse.

New York, Feb. 20.—Chemists have devised the scheme of feeding to the hen a chemical called Hexamethylenamin, which mingles with the constituents of the eggs in the making, before the shell is formed, and preserves the contents without the aid of storage warehouses or salt or any lime.

Eggs which were laid fresh are brought into competition with a laboratory which travels about on two legs and clucks and keeps its product always up to the scratch. The embalming is so skillfully conducted that no one suspects the duplicity of the designing poultry owner until the eggs are opened and the faint taste of the chemical preservative salutes the sense of taste.

Matrimony is the mother of excuses.

FORBID MARRIAGE OF POOR PEOPLE

State Board to Determine Fitness, Says Charities' President.

STOPS POVERTY'S SPREAD

Churchman Says San Antonio's Public Spirit is at a Low Ebb.

"Extremely poor people should be forbidden the right of marriage." This statement was included among the many suggestions for the reform of the charity work of the city and state, made last night by Dr. Frank Paschal, president of the Associated Charities, in his address at the annual meeting of that body. As a practicing physician, he argued from the premise that it is of as much importance to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. The chief factor in making charity a necessity, he said, is the marriage of men and women who are unfit to assume the burdens of life, men and women who are too poor to support their progeny.

Should Be Marriage Board.

"The fitness for marriage," he suggested, "should be passed upon by a board in each county, such boards to be appointed by the governor of the state, and unless the contracting parties are mentally, morally, physically and financially able to support themselves and the children that they may bring into the world, they should be refused marriage licenses."

All charity organizations, said Dr. Paschal, should be under the supervision of the state, as charity institutions are public institutions. He also urged the enactment of a compulsory education law. Without such a law, he asserted, child labor laws are of little avail.

A Notable Meeting.

The meeting was notable in many ways. Rev. Phillip Cook, rector of St. Mark's church, who before coming to San Antonio was active in charity work in the slums of New York city, made an address in which he urged the application of business methods to the charity work of the city. He deplored the circumstance, according to his belief, that public spirit in San Antonio was at a low ebb. Rev. Hugh McNetten, pastor of the Central Christian church, spoke along the same lines, suggesting that business be mixed with sentiment in aiding the indigent.

Directors for the current year were elected as follows: Dr. Frank Paschal, Dr. M. J. Blum, Nat M. Washer, E. B. Chandler, Jay E. Adams, the Rev. V. A. Godbey, Mrs. Lewis Goodman, Mrs. S. Half, Mrs. A. Joske, Mrs. T. W. Beck, John B. Carrington, George W. West, L. J. Hart.

Some time next week the officers of the Associated Charities will be elected at a meeting of the board of directors.

We have often wondered how many wives Solomon had annexed before discovering that there was nothing new under the sun.

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DELAY IN NEW YORK CASE "SCANDALOUS"

MURDERER WOLTER EXECUTED AFTER 22 MONTHS.

No More Pressing Duty Upon Bar Than That of Bringing About Reform.

The execution of the murderer Wolter at Sing Sing recently coincided with the publication of Police Commissioner Waldo's annual report, and his strictures on the administration of the criminal law in this city. Wolter's crime was one of the most atrocious and abhorrent conceivable. By an unusual manifestation of energy and expedition in connection with the trial, together with quick and effective work on the part of the police, the conviction of the author of this horrible deed, the interval being little more than a month. But in spite of this, and of the total absence of mitigating circumstances, the carrying out of the sentence has come only at the end of twenty-two months of delay.

That such a condition of things as this exemplifies is scandalous requires no demonstration; it speaks for itself. It may be possible to explain it, but it is quite impossible to reconcile it with the requirements of common sense or the simplest dictates of public policy. Whatever the cause, it must be removable; and no more pressing duty rests upon public spirited members of the bar than that of bringing about a reform under which such demoralizing absurdities shall be impossible. That the reform can be brought about requires no proof; but if any proof were needed, it would be completely supplied by the simple fact that in communities living under the same system of law as ourselves, and not a whit less jealous of the rights and liberties of the individual, no such preposterous phenomenon is witnessed.—New York Evening Post.

Wake Up, Ye Peaceful Dozers

MAN GOES TO SLEEP IN THE CHURCH; PREACHER HAS HIM ARRESTED.

Pittsburg, Pa., Feb. 20.—Ministers of Pittsburg and vicinity are determined there shall be no "church sleeping." They are tired of it, they say, and last Sunday some of them announced that the first person who sleeps in church—that is if his snores disturb the services or sermon—will be arrested, not put out, but actually arrested.

That evening at a service in the Zion Lutheran Church, in Grand View, Charles Cole, an undertaker, fell asleep in his seat, and soon he was making enough noise to attract the attention of the pastor, who was on the watch for some offender.

"Our friend, Mr. Cole, sleeps, my dear brethren. Let him continue to sleep until after the services. Then I will call a policeman and have him arrested," softly remarked the Rev. George B. Eccles, the pastor.

Cole's wife tried to waken him, but the Rev. Mr. Eccles interferred. "Let him sleep, I say," he cried from the platform. Cole slept away and at the end of the prayer meeting he was arrested. Next day he was fined \$5 and costs for disorderly conduct. The charges were preferred by the pastor.

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BUFFALO ARE NOW INCREASING

Most of Them Wild in Canada, But U. S. Has Many of Them.

Buffalo are on the increase in the United States. According to the fourth annual report of the American Bison Society, just published, there are now 2760 of them in North America. This includes a great herd of 1000 established in Canada by the Canadian government, largely through the efforts of Earl Grey.

This is not the only herd controlled by the Canadian government. There are now twenty-seven head in the Baniff, Alta., park, sixty-one in the Elk Island park, and a big herd of 918 in what is now known as the Buffalo park. This is an old buffalo grazing ground, and there have been fenced in about 102 square miles. This is provided with a good game fence and a fire guard strip of plowed land twenty feet wide on each side of the fence. In addition to the captive buffalo owned by the Canadian government, there is a wild band known as "wood buffalo" north of the Great Slave Lake. This herd is estimated at from 300 to 1000. It has been decimated by wolves.

The United States government has established a national bison range on the Flathead Indian reservation in Montana, and this has increased in the last two years from thirty-seven to fifty-one head. There are now buffalo, either wild or captive, in twenty-seven of the states, and an effort is being made by the Bison Society to secure the formation of a state bison range in each one of the states where the animals will thrive.

Line Up for Summer Series

City League Teams Organize With Two More in View for Positions. Others Seek More Time.

Organization of the San Antonio City Baseball League for a summer series was effected Thursday night at a meeting of the managers in the editorial rooms of the Express. Five clubs are lined up for the race, with two more applications on file.

The five clubs now in the race are the Twenty-second Infantry, Roundups, Stowers, Higgins Company and Orioles. The last named club has not yet fully decided on entry under that name. Applications were made by the San Antonio Hardware Company, Washer Bros. Company and tentatively, by the Household.

The applications of the Hardware Company and Washers went over at the request of the applicant themselves, it being desired to line up more fully on the proposition. Manager Dooly of Washer Bros. said he would like time to choose a man to assemble and handle a team for him. This house has provided one of the most handsome sets of uniforms ever seen on a Texas team. The Hardware company representative, E. S. Garrett, asked for a little time to lay the proposition in full before the business management.

The date for the opening of the series will be fixed as soon as the clubs are completely lined up, the park or parks chosen and the other similar details given attention necessary.

The gathering, by reason of the interesting and varied points involved, was one of the largest baseball gatherings ever seen in this city. Despite the unpleasant matter of the suspensions, the gathering moved off in harmony.

Process to Make Body Transparent

DISCOVERY REPORTED MADE BY GERMAN PHYSICIAN.

Dissection Would Become Unnecessary, for the Whole Human Mechanism Could Be Displayed.

London, Feb. 20.—The London Press is deeply interested in a discovery reported to have been made by a German physician, Prof. Spalteholz, who, by the use of two complicated organic chemicals, makes the human body transparent after death. The Daily Mirror says:

"As a result of this discovery dissection will be unnecessary, as the Spalteholz process makes not only the whole body but the bones transparent, so the full mechanism of human life is displayed."

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WITNESS DECLARES PANAMA REVOLT WAS INSPIRED IN WASHINGTON.

Quotes From Correspondence and Throws Light on Navy's Activity in the War.

Washington, Feb. 20.—Correspondence intended to prove that the Panama revolution had been planned in New York and Washington was produced today before the House committee on foreign affairs by Henry N. Hall, of the New York World. The committee is investigating incidents connected with the acquisition of the Panama Canal zone by the United States.

Mr. Hall put in evidence letters and cablegrams alleged to have passed between Dr. Amador and Mr. Arango, Panama officials, prior to the revolution. These, he contended, sustained his assertion that the revolution was inspired in the United States. He also quoted from correspondence said to have been procured from the confidential files of the navy department, but which was withheld from Congress under President Roosevelt's orders, which he said throw light on the navy's activity in the warlike preparations.

The witness created a mild sen-

Adjourned Court To Fight

Judge Whipped Man Who Called Him Liar; Fined Himself.

Midland, Texas, Feb. 20.—A dispute arose in the commissioners court today during which Judge J. H. Knowles, presiding, made an assertion regarding the court's action at a previous session. Commissioner July Driver arose and exclaimed: "You are a liar, judge."

"The court will stand adjourned," Judge Knowles announced, "until I whip the man who has just called me a liar."

The Knowles gave Driver a severe dubbing. Next he reconvened court and fined himself for fighting.

Then he resumed the interrupted court deliberations.

by declaring that copies of the state department secret code could be bought easily in Paris. This declaration was answered later by Assistant Secretary of State Huntington Wilson, who said that the code cipher codes undoubtedly could be bought there, but that since the time of which Hall was treating the code had been twice changed.

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Blind Man Surprises Court by Ability to Parry Questions. Busy on a Number of Large Projects That Will Mean Much to This Part of the State.

His aptitude in retort quickened by almost half a century of blindness, says the Columbus Journal, James Lafayette Wilson, who, with his two canes and two faithful dogs chained to his chair, held police officers at bay for an hour Wednesday, when they went to arrest him on a charge of lunacy, proved too much for Judge Black today when the latter attempted to argue with Wilson as to his need of a guardian.

Every question put by Judge Black would be evaded by the blind man. He said to the court: "You haven't got sense enough to advise anyone."

"Well, I'll admit that," replied Judge Black.

"Oh, you need not admit anything, for everybody knows it," was the retort.

Wilson denounced the judge for being a democrat. He denounced Roosevelt because he was a Rough Rider, and said he did not vote for "Taffy," because he was too much like Bryan. Though physicians said Wilson was not insane, they declared him to be erratic. He may, however, be committed to the state hospital. He draws a pension of \$100 a month.

525 Pounder Dies, Lifted Barrel Oil

Ambrose Moore of Pennsylvania Measured Three Feet Across Shoulders.

Pottsville, Pa., Feb. 20.—Ambrose Moore, the biggest man, physically, in Pennsylvania, died today at his

home at Mount Carbon. He weighed 525 pounds, was 5 feet 10 inches tall and measured three feet across the shoulders and was over five feet in girth.

Moore was employed at the Pennsylvania Railroad Company oil house and could lift a barrel of oil weighing 400 pounds without any great effort. He was 40 years old.

Kidney disease, rapidly followed by dropsy, ended his career.



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"Friendship is the holiest of gifts
God can bestow nothing more sacred
upon us.
It enhances every joy, mitigates
every pain.
Everyone can have a friend, who him-
self knows how to be a friend."

MRS. LYNN HOSTESS.

On Thursday the 15th, Mrs. Lynn opened her pretty home to her friends, naming Mrs. Mowen as her guest of honor. Those privileged to enjoy this hospitality were the "Home and Foreign Missionary" societies with a few invited guests. Mdms. Childs and daughter, Roger Miller, Scott, Stanfield, Misses Burwell, Pearl Guinn, and Lucy Burwell. With these societies, Mrs. Mowen has been closely associated since her sojourn in our midst, hence the appropriateness of the occasion. A well selected program was arranged and carried out to the general satisfaction of every one. The spirit of song was so imbued in this company, regardless of instrument, their voices swelled forth sweet melody. Mrs. Bartlett read a splendid paper upon "Child Labor" a subject that is worthy the consideration of thinking people, more especially in our cities this is in evidence, yet we who live in the village can keep pace and suppress all thought that tends to oppression. Mrs. Graham's paper took another phase of life "The Needs of Missionaries in Brazil." The command "Go Ye" was brought to many, perhaps, more forcibly than ever before; scarcely a paper, circular or religious, but gives the great needs of the benighted lands, and Mrs. Graham's paper was well to the point.

There was a tinge of sadness attached to this company, as it was the leave taking of one who had been so prominent in church as well as social life.

Mrs. Mowen's beautiful Christian character was felt by all with whom she came in contact, and we all regret very much to give her up. Mrs. Lynn with assistance, passed ice cream and cake, over which pleasant intercourse was exchanged. In departing, good wishes were showered upon Mrs. Mowen for a safe journey, and thanks to Mrs. Lynn for this enjoyable time.

MRS. TRICE'S MUSICAL.

Saturday afternoon a company of young people with a few matrons had the pleasure of enjoying some excellent music with Mrs. Trice. Miss Jessie Copp rendered several beautiful vocal selections to the delight of everyone. Misses Wood and Childs' selections for the piano were most beautiful, and the rendition of which brought forth much praise. After the program Mrs. Trice with Miss De Witt's assistance passed a salad course and hot coffee. The leave taking was full of thanks for so delightful an afternoon, and for which Mrs. Trice feels indebted to the contributors.

Those present were, others than named Misses Baylor, Rowland, Guinn, Henderson, Poole, Gilmer and Mdms. Will Tarver Baker and Chevalier.

MOTHER'S CLUB.

Friday afternoon the 16th, the Mothers met for their regular meeting. The president, Mrs. Graham, presiding. At roll call the members responded with well selected quotations upon "Character," after which the president introduced the subject of the afternoon in a most interesting manner. Each member caught the spirit, and many good points were presented. Mrs. Edgar Keck read a splendid paper "Defining Character," the de-

lineation of which was well founded. Mrs. Rowland's paper bore upon the same subject, giving it in her attractive manner which was most pleasing. Miss Henderson's selection was well selected. Mrs. Bartlett read a clipping from Dr. Mc Daniel's lecture which was given before the Mothers club of San Antonio. Mrs. Jack Hill visited the Mothers Congress when it was in session in San Antonio and did not forget the club in Cotulla but brought some instructive and interesting literature that means much to the Mothers in carrying forward the work, which, they appreciate very much.

MRS. J. C. POOLE, HOSTESS

Mrs. J. C. Poole entertained the Presbyterian Union at the home of Miss Burwell on Thursday afternoon. It being the date of Washington's birth, the decorations were in keeping with the time. The dining room was prettily arranged; the center table bore a miniature cherry tree, with real cherries, and the hatchet that did so much damage, and caused little George so many weary hours. The regular business period was conducted by our president. Several contributions to the mission field were made. One to the Scott-Campbell Hall, which is being erected at Kingsville, where the Mexican Industrial School-farm is being put into operation. I speak of this as many know Mr. Campbell and appreciate his worth as an earnest Christian worker in the Master's vineyard.

Mrs. Morrow gave us a practical and well rounded talk upon the "Needs of our Society." She turned the focus of the lens inward, showing us the improvements along certain lines as individuals should be our first consideration, all of which was most fitting, as we are never so well prepared to benefit others until we make clean our thoughts and lives. A beautiful selection, "The Joy that Illumes," was read with much emphasis, bringing out the lesson in a forcible manner. Mrs. Trice gave a piano solo, "The Palms." After this the social hour began. This is a feature of the work we consider most essential; without this Christian fellowship, the members would be slow to enter into every good work. Our hostess passed an elegant lunch: dressed eggs, peanuts, sandwiches, olives, hot coffee and tea. The guests were: Mdms. Beverly Poole, G. J. Gahring, Johnson of San Antonio and Miss Russell. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Anna Poole. Watchword, Praise. Mrs. Poole has a charming personality peculiar to herself, which she so beautifully portrays. The souvenirs of this occasion were the memorable hatchet.

SURPRISE PARTY.

This occasion was brought around to welcome home Ray and Willie Keck, who came down from the State University to spend a few days with the home folks. Twenty-five young people were present and engaged in games and music, having a royal good time. Mrs. Keck was apprised of the gathering at a late hour, and made ready dainty refreshments. Altogether this was a delightful occasion and the boys were made to feel their home coming was a pleasure to many.

A WASHINGTON ENTERTAINMENT. The Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society of Rockwood gave a "Martha Washington Tea" on the evening of the 22nd. The ever-hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Rock, Sr., was thrown open for this occasion. Notwith-

standing the inclement weather, quite a jolly crowd assembled at an early hour and entered into the pleasure of the evening with zest. Shooting and hanging the Britishers, the game of "hatchet" and others brought forth peal after peal of merriment. Miss Floss Dyson proved her skill as an artist by her drawing of the tree and British soldiers for the hanging. Much was due Mrs. C. H. Rock and others for these interesting games. The fish pond, supervised by Misses Ruby Rock and Edith Daniel caused much expectation as well realized pleasure. There were many expert anglers. The little ones were delighted with the toothsome sweets and novelties brought forth, as well as others. Who does not appreciate the integrity of "the father of our country?" But we feel at even the celebration of his birthday this party was not following in his footsteps, at least as to veracity. The lie in question taking form of absurd, exaggerated humorous stories. The crisis of this form of entertainment was reached when Price Daniel told the following: "The other Sunday as I came to Sunday School I knew it was cold but must confess I was surprised in seeing three long icicles hanging onto

the sun." All gladly obeyed a summons to the dining room, resplendent with the national colors and silver hatchet - this scheme being carried out throughout the room - where the daughters of this home, with their competent assistance, served mixtures of ambrosia, honeydew and sunshine. At once you would know that no such concoction could surely come from the hand of a paid servant or from the bakery. Martha, seated behind a shining tea pot, demure and blushing with powdered wig and suitable costume, proffered the national beverage. At the close of these fitting hours, lingering good nights were said and all departed for home, sweet home, carrying a small hatchet as a souvenir of this pleasant entertainment. A.

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Judge C. C. Thomas went to Laredo Thursday.

R. A. Goyger returned Monday from a business trip to Houston.

J. E. Hill of Webb was in Cotulla the early part of the week on business.

Miss Florence Poole visited friends in San Antonio during the week.

Call at K. Burwell's this week and see the new goods now being shown.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Johnson of San Antonio are here visiting the family of C. F. Binkley.

Jourd J. Irvin of the Clay Robertson Commission Company was here yesterday shaking hands with the cowmen.

During the windstorm Tuesday eleven telegraph poles were blown down between Cotulla and Gardendale.

K. Burwell carries Butterick Patterns and a stock of Delinators, Fashion Sheets and Counter Books.

A number of heavy excursion trains were run from San Antonio to Laredo this week.

Orville Carr, who has been at El Paso for a month visiting his sister, Mrs. O. D. Butler is back at his post at the depot.

Arthur Lieske returned from Chicago yesterday. He was accompanied by a party of prospectors who are highly pleased with this section of the State.

George H. Knaggs and Judge Covey C. Thomas went to San Antonio Sunday morning to attend the funeral of Edward Buckley.

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