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### FRATERNAL BANKERS

New Officers and Board of Directors to Push Organization of Lodges.

At a recent meeting of the board of directors and supreme officers of the Independent Order of Fraternal Bankers, a mutual benefit insurance society whose national headquarters is located at this place, several changes were made in the corps of officers and the board of directors. The purpose being to benefit the order by putting it in charge of men of more extensive acquaintance and wider business experience. That this purpose was accomplished will very readily appear from an examination of the list of new officers and board of directors, as follows:

Officers:—  
A. H. Day, supreme judge.  
J. S. Hale, supreme advocate.  
H. E. Fields, supreme banker.  
Judge Joe Irby, supreme cashier.

Dr. D. L. Cummins, supreme medical examiner.  
Judge W. C. Jackson, supreme councillor and general attorney.  
Board of Directors:—  
Hon. T. E. Matthews, (mayor of Haskell).

J. W. Meadors, (clerk of district and county court.)  
Jno. A. Couch.  
Jno. F. Jones.  
G. E. Langford, (cashier Haskell National Bank.)  
Jno. B. Baker, (postmaster at Haskell.)

A number of lodges have been organized in the state and the new management is arranging to put in the field a strong force of organizers and expect soon to put the order on a very substantial basis.

The order offers mutual insurance on as favorable terms as any of the fraternal orders and pays weekly sick and accident

indemnity, and its social and fraternal features as set forth in its ritual are of the highest type, therefore the FREE PRESS sees no reason why it should not meet with general favor and success, especially with Texas people, as it is chartered under Texas laws, officered and controlled by Texas people, has its headquarters in Texas and keeps Texas money in Texas instead of sending it out to build up orders in the other states and develop other sections.

### To the Public:

I have been informed that some persons are still afraid or reluctant to visit Mr. Herman Cousin's drug store at Weinert, where there was a case of smallpox, and have been requested to make an official statement in regard to the present condition of said Cousin's store. I will therefore state that said store has been thoroughly fumigated and disinfected with the most approved germicides and I do not believe that there is now a particle of danger of any one contracting smallpox from entering or remaining in said Herman Cousin's drug store at Weinert. 18 2t E. E. GILBERT, M. D. County Health Physician.

### An April Snow.

A brisk norther sprang up Tuesday night causing a drop in the temperature to 35 degrees. And to the astonishment of everybody began to fall thick and fast about 7 o'clock Wednesday morning. This continued for a few minutes only, melting as it touched the ground. A light shower fell and the clouds gradually cleared away. Wednesday night was clear and the temperature fell to 34 degrees and Thursday morning there was a light frost on the ground, which apparently did no damage to vegetation.

### W. O. W. Unveiling.

We are requested to announce that the Rule Camp W. O. W. will have a public unveiling of the monument of Dr. J. E. Lindsey at the cemetery in Haskell on Sunday, May 31st, in which ceremony they will be assisted by the Haskell camp of W. O. W. The public is invited.

### Thoughts for Farmers.

#### TO THE FREE PRESS:

"The plain truth of the matter is the man who diversifies his crops and raises hogs, poultry, fruit and vegetables is in a position, if any man on earth is, to tell the money brokers and cotton buyers go hang."—Dallas News.

"There are in round numbers 2,111,000 farms in the cotton belt producing an average of about six bales of cotton each and paying \$50.00 annually to the mule and horse raisers of other states for work stock, or practically one-sixth of his gross income goes for mules and horses.

Is it any wonder the rank and file of cotton producers are poor, when these figures are taken into consideration; and, again, this is not all, for the feed consumed by this hundred million dollar horse and mule is produced in a great measure elsewhere and not by the man who makes a crop of cotton."—Cotton Journal.

Now Mr. Farmer, if you belong to the first class mentioned in this article you are all right, for the Dallas News has said so. But if you belong to this crowd the cotton Journal speaks of, what then? Oh! you say you aren't fixed for raising colts, eh; got no land to spare for pasture and it takes too much feed, and you can't spare so much land to put in feed. You see I have got to buy my meat lard and other groceries on a credit at the stores and I have got to raise cotton to pay for them, and then I got one of my horses ruined in the wire fence the other day and I will be obliged to buy another one on credit to finish making my crop. I'll just have to plant a big crop of cotton this year. And say, do you know where I can get a good horse or mule on credit? No, I can't reduce my cotton acreage and you Farmers Union fellows are foolish to expect such things as long as we are all so deep in debt. This panic has ruined me."

My friend, you all know from experience of your daily contact with farmers in this beloved and debt ridden Southland of ours that I have not over drawn the above picture. The statement quoted from the Dallas News is proven before us every day, for thanks to a kind Providence, he has given us a few men among us to see the light and they are profiting thereby. But our observation teaches us that in the South the other class largely predominates, and they honestly believe that they are compelled to continue the old suicidal course of planting big cotton crops and buying every thing they consume on the farm till they get out of debt. They think it's right for a rich man to diversify his farming, but cry out that they can't. They fail to see that he does not diversify his farming because he is rich, but that he is rich, because he has practised diversification.

W. A. STRICKLAND.

### Notice to the Public.

The partnership business of the firm of Irby & Stephens, a firm composed of J. E. Irby, Sr., and R. D. C. Stephens, has by mutual consent been dissolved, Mr. Irby retiring from the business, and Mr. Stephens assuming all the responsibilities and liabilities of the firm.

18-4t J. E. Irby,  
R. D. C. Stephens.

### LAW AND ORDER LEAGUE

#### Meet and Adopt Resolutions to Assist Officers and Enforce Law

A meeting of citizens was held at the court house on Friday afternoon of last week to receive the report of the committee appointed by the mass meeting on April 17 to draft resolutions expressive of the sentiment and will of the people of Haskell in regard to the enforcement of law and order in this community.

The committee submitted the resolutions as protested below and which were subsequently signed by a large number of citizens. The FREE PRESS fully endorses the resolutions and hopes to see them carried out to the letter. They are as follows:

We, your committee appointed at the mass meeting of citizens held in the court house at Haskell, Texas, on April 17th, 1908, to draft resolutions expressive of the sentiment of the citizens of this community in enforcing the local option law would report as follows:

For quite a while past the moral sentiment of this community has been overridden and the law trampled on until conditions have become intolerable.

We think that the law abiding citizens of Haskell county, to a man should give the boot-leggers and jointists to understand that we will not have their violations of law in our midst.

We therefore recommend that the citizens effect a permanent Law and Order League, to back up the officers in a strict enforcement of the law with our moral and financial support.

We recommend that a standing reward of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) be paid by this association to any person furnishing the evidence which results in securing the final conviction of anyone violating the local option law.

We recommend that the running of frosty joints and similar places be discouraged by all law-abiding citizens, because we know that they invariably lead sooner or later to violations of the law in the sale of intoxicating liquors.

We recommend that the members of this association do all in their power to uphold the executive officers of the county in the strict enforcement of the law.

We heartily endorse the recent successful efforts just put forth by our officers and citizens in bringing offenders to justice and express the hope that the good work go on until it will be known far and wide that Haskell is not an inviting field for the jointist and bootlegger.

We recommend that our citizens who have property to rent be careful to enquire whether or not their prospective renters are likely to use the property for illegal purposes.

H. G. MCCONNELL,  
W. W. FIELDS,  
S. W. SCOTT,  
G. T. MCCULLOH,  
O. E. OATES,

Committee.

We, the undersigned citizens of Haskell, hereby indorse the foregoing resolutions adopted at a mass meeting held on April 24, 1908:

Jno. L. Robertson, D. R. Boyd, A. C. Lewis, A. J. Smith, G. J. Graham, N. McNeill, F. G. Alexander, W. J. Evers, L. M. Garrett, K. Jones, T. G. Williams, J. N. Ellis, A. C. Brockman, W. A. Marsh, W. H. Pearsey, J. H. Camp, T. B. Russell, W. L. Cason, J. H. Meadors, R. P. Moore, A. S. Bullock, J. W. French, J. U. Fields, R. H. Davis, J. T. Ellis, N. I. McCollum, P. D. San-

ders, J. W. Hester, F. L. Meadow, Jno. A. Couch, Jno. B. Baker, T. J. Morrison, O. E. Patterson, R. C. Montgomery, Leon Gilliam, City Grocery Company, W. H. Wyman, M. Pierson, Chas. Irby, R. E. Sherrill, H. S. Wilson, A. L. Swope, J. Z. Freeman, L. O. Cunningham, G. B. Smith, C. C. Eastland, T. E. Matthews, G. E. Langford, J. E. Poole.

### Mothers Club.

In response to a call of Supt. J. S. Rives to organize a Mothers Club the following were present: Mesdames P. D. Sanders, S. W. Scott, Bert Brockman, J. L. Robertson, C. D. Long, A. H. Day, J. N. Thomas, G. B. Fields and Miss Houston, T. C. Williams and J. S. Rives.

The meeting was called to order by J. S. Rives and the object briefly stated in a few well chosen words.

Mrs. S. W. Scott was elected temporary chairman and T. C. Williams temporary secretary.

Some very interesting talks on the necessity of such organization were made, after which the meeting went into permanent organization.

Mrs. M. Pierson was elected president; Mrs. P. D. Sanders, first vice-president; Mrs. Oscar Oates, second vice-president; Mrs. Jno. B. Baker, secretary and treasurer.

A constitution was read and adopted.

The following committees were appointed: Program committee, Mesdames P. D. Sanders, Thomas, Elkins and Miss Cecil Hughes, Social committee, Mesdames R. E. Sherrill, E. Adams and S. W. Scott.

Third Monday in May was selected as the time for the next meeting. An earnest appeal and cordial invitation is extended to all who are interested in this movement to attend.

Mrs. M. Pierson, Pres.  
T. C. Williams, Sec'y.

### A Good Opportunity

Young men and young women, your schools will soon have closed. How do you expect to spend the summer? You are surely not of the class that will cease all educational effort from now until September and when another school year opens you will have retrogressed in your intellectual qualities, instead of having improved your opportunities.

The next four months is the idle season of the year; many golden moments will be wasted by young and old, while splendid opportunities are waiting for those who prepare themselves and are competent. Why not spend the summer months in fitting yourself for some of the duties of actual life? Why not secure a practical business education while time and opportunity is yours? It may be, and most assuredly is, the chance of a life time with many. By enrolling now you get the advantage of a liberal summer discount in Bertwin Business College, Stamford, Texas, and you are guaranteed a thorough course in such branches as book-keeping, banking, penmanship, spelling, commercial law, business English, rapid calculation, business arithmetic, shorthand, typewriting, etc.

This is the best equipped commercial school west of Fort Worth, and can give you as good training as the state affords.

Write or call for detailed information.

Dr. J. S. Lipscomb of Sagerton was in the county capital Tuesday.



### TOILET GOODS STAND HIGH

in importance among people of refinement. In inviting you to examine those offered here we are assured of your approval if you honor us with a call. We are known as dispensers of only

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some day, and then you'll regret that you didn't put it where it would be safe. In a word, the place for your surplus cash is the FARMERS BANK. It will be absolutely safe there, and you'll find your account growing. And you'll be afforded every accommodation consistent with conservative banking. Put your money where it will do most good to you.

**FARMERS NATIONAL BANK.**

R. C. MONTGOMERY,

Cashier.

Haskell, Texas.

Prospect for Business College.

T. H. Gatlin, principal of Abilene Business College, Abilene, Texas, passed through our city Monday enroute to his home in Abilene. Mr. Gatlin has been visiting relatives at Rochester and working in the interest of his school. While here he said to the FREE PRESS man "I am so well pleased with Haskell as a town that I think I shall establish a branch school here soon."

No better thing could be put in to build up our town and surrounding country than a first class business college, such as Mr. Gatlin is now running at Abilene and he tells us he could put in a good one here.

You who are in favor of this institution being established in Haskell write Mr. Gatlin at Abilene and let's get him to put in here.

He is a business college man and there is always something doing where he labors.

Miss Lillian Fitzgerald, who has been visiting relatives here, left for her home at Sweetwater Wednesday. She was accompanied home by her cousins, Misses Ruby Fitzgerald and Norma Cobb.



# HASKELL FREE PRESS

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HASKELL, - - - TEXAS

Business is looking up for the umbrella man.

Prince Helle de Sagan must have a fascinating way about him.

Guaranteed cures for anarchists and octopuses are always in order.

The cock doth now crow to let you know, if you be wise 'tis time to revise or readjust.

What chance has the poor infant born heir to \$3,000,000 to become a self-made man?

Hawaii is spoken of as the key to the Pacific, which is like calling the pantry the storm door.

Castro defies us and the battleships are on the other side of the world. Still, it might be worse.

When the fresh egg shows up one can but admire how the gentle hen improves on the cold-storage plant.

Alexander E. Orr, of New York City, is said to be a director in more companies than any other man living.

The pay-as-you-enter cars seem to be more especially popular with those who happen to have their nickels handy.

Rev. D. C. Hughes, father of the New York governor, preached twice to one of Brooklyn's Baptist congregations recently.

If the Gould family insists on cutting down Anna's allowance will the prince be keen to take off his coat and support her?

The English surfragette goes after a vote as if it were packed away in something calling for a hammer and a chisel to get the hoops off.

Foreign noblemen are not the ones who do not learn by experience. They have found a way to marry an American heiress and still beat their creditors.

One cent was found among the assets of the latest looted bank. In the haste of departure the manager appears to have inadvertently dropped it on the floor.

It may be true that South Carolina is now raising as fine tea as any that can be produced in China, but we still have to depend largely on China for our laundries.

Mrs. Baldwin, a niece of Gen. U. S. Grant, has been postmaster at St. Albans, Kanawha county, W. Va. for many years, and is likely to continue so while she lives.

The making of cologne water is a secret, a floating news note informs us, but cologne is far from being as secretive otherwise, as any visit to the theater can teach us.

Another obvious embarrassment occasioned by these alliances between dukes and American heiresses is that it prompts all the tailors to get busy and recoup themselves.

The lawyers are very sorry, of course, that there is any possibility of a divorce in the Vanderbilt family, but if there must be one, they will cheerfully consent to take the case.

Jersey City will soon have the biggest clock in the world, with an illuminated dial 28 feet in diameter, and Jersey City men will have one less reason for staying out late at night.

A commemorative bronze tablet has been placed on Old South Middle Hall, in Yale campus, New Haven, to mark the room once occupied by Nathan Hale, Yale 1773, hero of the revolutionary war. This room also was later occupied by Eli Whitney, inventor of the cotton gin, and John C. Calhoun.

Still, a good many legislators go through a term without getting within smelling distance of hoodie. The presence of corruption funds is often apparent only to a green reporter or a member who thinks his favorite measure is in danger. Hard cash is just about as tough at a state capital as elsewhere.

Whitelaw Reid, the American ambassador to Great Britain, and many other distinguished persons attended the Basque Fetes arranged in Sare, France, in honor of King Edward. His majesty, who is sojourning at Biarritz, was prevented from attending, however, on account of a storm which prevailed there.

Mr. Carnegie confidently anticipates that in the next generation, or the one after, the habit of tobacco smoking will be held in the same disrepute that tobacco chewing is now. A rather distant peep into the indefinite future. Meanwhile, the great majority of mankind will continue to solace itself with one of the least harmful of all the vices when moderately indulged in.

There is a cruel custom prevailing in many parts of the Telugu country in India in connection with the worship of the village deities. At the end of a sacrifice a small cart, with four, five or nine pointed stakes standing upright at the corners and sides, is brought to the image. Pigs, lambs and fowls are then impaled alive upon these stakes. The cart is dragged in a procession to the boundary of the village. The unfortunate animals die in agony on the way, and are taken off the stakes when the cart reaches its destination.

# TORNADO'S VICTIMS

MOST OF THE DEAD ARE NEGROES.

350 DEAD; 1200 ARE INJURED

Greatest Havoc in Villages Where the Dwellings were of the Flimsiest Materials.

Atlanta, Ga., April 27.—The death list in the storm of Friday and Saturday, which swept over the South, will reach approximately 350, with practically full details from Southern and Eastern Georgia, where the wind, rain and lightning did its worst work Saturday and late Friday.

Another severe electrical storm hit Georgia Sunday, but so far as known there were no fatalities and but little property damage.

Reports are still coming in from Northern Alabama, parts of Mississippi and Louisiana, but the list of dead is not materially increased.

With probably 1200 persons injured, possibly half a hundred towns damaged, the story of ruin is told. The communities which suffered most were wooden-built villages, the majority of them with a comparatively small number of inhabitants. Wind caused the greatest havoc, and negro residents form the larger proportion of dead and injured. The totals are:

Killed, about 350; injured painfully or seriously, 1200; homeless, several thousand; towns reporting serious wreckage, 48; habitations and business houses practically complete ruins in these towns, about 2500.

Following is a list by States of the forty-six towns reporting more or less damage from the storm.

Louisiana — Lacombe, Kenmore, Richland, Amite, Essie, Pine, Angie, Franklinton, Sheridan, Avard, Eunice, Lamourie. Total 12.

Mississippi — Giles Bend, Purvis, Church Hill, Lorman, Tillman, Melton, Baxterville, Braxton, Sunflower, Wanalak, Wingate, Columbus, Walls, Fairchilds Creek, Quitmans Landing, McLaurin, McCallum, Winchester, Pine Ridge. Total 19.

Georgia — Columbus, Chipley, La Grange, Harris, Griffin, McDonough, Locust Grove, Cedartown, Cave Springs. Total, 9.

Alabama—High Mound, Albertville, Hatton, Leesburg, Blountsville, Settlement. Total, 9.

The four members of the Rayburn family reported killed at Baxterville, Miss., were not killed, but were injured, two of them, Robert Rayburn and wife, seriously.

The following deaths of white persons have not been previously reported:

Melton, Miss.: Mr. Potts and wife.

Sudden Death of Packer.

Dallas: J. S. Armstrong died suddenly Sunday night of heart failure. Apparently enjoying good health and anticipating the transaction of some special business Monday, he had gone to the home of his son-in-law, Hugh Prather, in Highland Park addition, with the intention of getting to work early Monday morning. Without warning, he felt an affection of the heart and in about twenty minutes he passed away.

Mrs. S. J. Frink, aged 51 years, died Friday at the home of her son-in-law, Rev. E. E. King, pastor First Baptist Church, McKinney.

Would Make Train 115 Miles Long.

Dallas: There were 170,516 cars of freight handled in and out of Dallas during the last twelve months of time, or 3,516,375,500 pounds of freight. These figures were given out by the Dallas Commercial Club. John G. Hunter stated that the cash collection for freight handled by railroads in and out of Dallas during the last year amounted to twice as much as any city in Texas.

French-Canadian Village Buried.

Buckingham, Quebec: Half of the little French village of Notre Dame de Sallette, sixteen miles from here on the Lievre River, lies buried under a sliding mountain and at least thirty of its small population are known to have perished. Meager bits of news of the disaster come in by messengers from the physicians and other rescuers who were hurried forward when the first calls for aid came at early morning Sunday.

F. J. Bell Monument Dedicated.

Dallas: In the presence of several hundred persons, the memorial shaft to the late Grand Chancellor Francis Jackson Bell was unveiled with full ritualistic ceremony Sunday afternoon at Oakland Cemetery. The shaft is a token of the affection of the Knights of Pythias of Texas, and was erected under the direction of the grand lodge of the State. Many of the grand lodge officers were present and took part in the exercises.

# ONLY TWO BATTLESHIPS.

President's Belligerent Ideas Again Smashed.

Washington, April 28.—By an overwhelming vote President Roosevelt's four battleship program failed in the Senate just as it did in the House. The amendment for four battleships was introduced by Senator Piles and the fight for its adoption was led by Senator Beveridge.

Twenty-three votes were cast for the increased program, the number being largely made up of recently-elected Senators. Fifty Senators voted to support the House and the recommendation of the Senate Naval Committee in favor of building only two battleships. The debate on the battleship amendment lasted three days, to the exclusion of all other matters. It was begun by Senator Beveridge with an eloquent appeal for the support of the President and a suggestion that a larger navy might be needed for war. Members of the committee upbraided the Indiana Senator for this veiled hint of war with another country, and sought to make him admit that he meant Japan. At times the discussion came near being acrimonious, especially sharp exchanges occurring between Senators Aldrich and Beveridge. The former's residence to Mr. Beveridge excited Senator Smith of Michigan to protest against the Senate chamber being "made a slaughter house for the young Senator from Indiana."

It was developed by Senator Allison during the debate that there is a well-defined understanding among the Senate leaders for the authorization of two battleships each year until the American navy is regarded as sufficient to meet any demands that may be made upon it.

Bad Wreck on the Frisco.

Paris: The Frisco passenger train due to arrive here at 9:30 a. m. Monday went into a ditch near Stanley, Ok., at 7 o'clock that morning. The sleeper and two coaches completely left the rails after the front part of the train had passed. It is impossible to furnish a list of the injured, which is swelled to twenty-five by late reports, and two are reported as dead since the wreck occurred.

Childress Death Sentence Commuted.

Austin: Governor Campbell has commuted the death sentence of W. E. Childress of Fort Worth to five years' imprisonment. Childress was sentenced to hang for an alleged criminal assault upon a child, the date of execution being set for May 1. Much influence was brought to bear in Childress' behalf and his determination to give further consideration to his application may result in further action in the defendant's behalf.

Crying Child Reveals Mother's Death.

Paris: Mrs. J. Y. Hoge, wife of Office Deputy Sheriff Hoge, was found dead Monday afternoon in the backyard of her home on North Main Street. She and the youngest child, three years old, were at home alone. A neighbor was attracted by the child crying and went to investigate and found that the mother was dead. She had been troubled with neuralgia, and it is thought that it struck her heart.

By unanimous consent the House

Tuesday authorized the President to direct the Secretary of War to furnish tents, provisions and supplies and render such other aid as he may deem necessary to the storm sufferers in Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana.

Stampeded the Congregation.

Pittsburg: Sunday while services were being held at the negro Methodist Church here, a panic was caused by a limb falling on the roof of the building from an adjacent tree. As the building had previously been declared unsafe, the congregation thought the house was falling and took flight, many of the negroes jumping through the windows to the ground and sustaining injuries from broken glass and falls.

For Return of Cotton Tax.

Washington: Reasons why Congress should return to nine Southern States an amount aggregating \$60,000,000 alleged to have been illegally collected during the Civil War as a cotton tax, were set forth to the House Monday in a speech by Representative Spight of Mississippi. The speech was based on a memorial of the Mississippi Legislature urging this action, and to carry out which Mr. Spight has introduced the bill.

And It Snowed!

St. Paul, Minn., April 27.—A north-west gale, which blew from 32 to 35 miles an hour all night brought with it a snow storm. Street car traffic was delayed.

Superior, Wis.: This city and vicinity are experiencing one of the heaviest snowstorms in years.

Sedalia, Mo.: There was a light fall of snow in the central part of Missouri.

# LOCAL STORMS SWEEP

DOWNPOUR OF RAIN WITH HAIL AND WINDS.

DEPORT IS VERY HARD HIT

Many Places Have Cloudbursts. Three Deaths Mark Track of Storms.

Paris, Texas, April 24.—Twenty-five residences, practically the eastern half of Deport, a town twenty miles southeast of Paris, were destroyed by a hurricane about 6 o'clock yesterday evening, the cotton oil mill, the Baptist and Presbyterian Churches suffering a like fate.

W. R. Isbell, a druggist, was crushed to death in his residence when it collapsed, his wife and four children saving themselves by running to their stormhouse.

Others known to be injured, though not fatally, are Capt George I. Terrell and wife, G. G. Baughn, E. R. Sullivan, wife and son. All these have broken arms or legs and painful bruises.

The storm came up the valley from the southwest, cutting a path several hundred yards wide. It did not last long, and there was very little electricity. It swept away structures in its path as if they were houses of cards. The town is divided by a creek and the heavy rain made it overflow and retarded the work of helping the injured by those who escaped.

No business houses were destroyed, but several were badly damaged, only the edge of the storm reaching them. Among them are the Deport Chronicle, U. L. Jolly, editor; Cunningham's dry goods store, Shuman's blacksmith shop, Daniel's restaurant, the Cash Store and postoffice, W. I. Lawler proprietor and postmaster. These were blown from the blocks or the sides partially caved in. Damage to houses and stocks can not be estimated at present.

Fort Worth: Following a cloudburst and hail storm in the city proper and North Fort Worth yesterday afternoon the west fork of the Trinity soon escaped its banks west of the meadows between the court house and the North Fort Worth Cotton Belt crossing and within an hour the adjacent vicinity was again inundated.

Street car traffic on the North Fort Worth and Rosen Heights lines was at once crippled, and at 6 o'clock last night an expanse of water extended from the foot of the Main Street bridge northward a distance of a mile and equally as far east and west. At the pumping station on the West Fork measurements were taken hourly, and by 7 p. m. the water was only a few inches below the record established last Sunday.

During the downpour yesterday afternoon residents of the river bottoms began to at once move what few household effects had been rescued from the recent flood, but so rapid was the rise that but little could be removed. The result was that again several hundred unfortunates are without shelter and are dependent upon the Salvation Army and other local organizations.

Upon hearing that the water was again rising, the members of the Salvation Army corps established a second temporary eating house at the foot of the Main Street bridge and served warm meals to many who had been driven from their homes. Secretary Green of the United Charities has also opened a supply headquarters and mattresses, bedding, cooking utensils and food are being extended to the flood victims as rapidly as the latter report.

Clifton: Five or six people injured. No deaths reported. Roof of school building torn off and church demolished. Damage not estimated. Path of storm seventy-five yards wide, most of the loss being in what is known as Old Clifton.

Howe: A heavy rain and hail storm between this place and Van Alstyne occurred yesterday afternoon. The hailstones were unusually large. It is feared the loss will amount to a great deal as concerns crops that had attained a good growth. It is said that the hailstones killed lots of poultry and in a few instances young live stock.

Oak Grove, Red River County: Several houses destroyed and a number of people injured. No fatalities reported. All wires down.

Rice: Farm houses two miles south of town destroyed. Three negroes probably fatally hurt. Many people escape by refuge in storm houses, but a number are reported injured. Wires into Rice went down late last night.

Ollie B. Higgins, aged 23 years, was found dead in his room Monday night at Georgetown. He had been dead several hours. He shot himself in the head with a shotgun. No reason is assigned for the deed.

# 245 DEAD; OVER 400 HURT

Towns and Villages Over Wide District Swept.

Dallas, April 25.—Windstorms killed upward of two hundred people outside this State yesterday and in Texas great property loss, serious crop damage, with numbers of persons more or less seriously injured, were reported from points in northern, eastern, northeastern and central sections of the State, the greatest force of the wind appearing to have been felt at Mineola, Wood County, where damage upward of \$25,000 was done when the wind made havoc in the business part of the town and one woman in the country near by was seriously, probably fatally injured. Nineteen buildings were damaged near Daingerfield, Morris County, and seven hurt, a number of minor injuries and twelve buildings wrecked at Oak Grove, five miles west of De Kalb, Bowie County.

At Stagner, Wood County, four are dead, according to reports received at Big Sandy yesterday.

One dead, three not expected to survive until this morning, and between \$125,000 and \$150,000 damage, is the latest report from the storm that struck Deport, Lamar County. Sixty-two houses were destroyed or almost totally wrecked, including the Baptist Church, the Masonic Hall, the Presbyterian Church, the school house, the oil mill and all sheds and seed houses.

At Grand Saline, Van Zandt County, the tomato crop is reported ruined and other truck seriously damaged. In Oklahoma a dozen buildings were struck at Hugo, beating rain smashed trees and other vegetation and the crop damage can not be estimated. In Arkansas three are known to have been killed near DeQueen, in the southwestern part of the State, and many houses were blown away.

With over a hundred people dead and many more than that number injured, cyclones in portions of Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama late yesterday left a trail of wreckage, the loss of which can not be properly estimated until after the work of caring for the injured and gathering and burying the bodies of the dead shall have been finished.

About thirty white persons and fifty negroes were killed by the tornado at Purvis, Miss.

New Orleans, La.: At midnight the dead in today's tornado was reliably estimated to be 149, with the number of injured placed at 400. Of the dead thirteen are known to be white, and it is a certainty that with the possible exception of half a dozen, all the others were negroes. These figures were gathered from fully half a hundred sources in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama, and while not absolutely accurate, nearly all bore such confirmation as could be furnished by obtaining a verification from two or more different sources.

Hot Springs Club Held Up.

Hot Springs, Ark.: Four masked men with leveled revolvers entered the club house of the Indiana Club Thursday, forced the occupants to line up and looted the place of a large amount of money. The occupants were then locked in the room and the robbers escaped. No definite statement concerning the amount of money taken can be secured, but it is estimated at between \$5000 and \$10,000.

State Bank Status.

Austin: The number of State banks and trust companies has increased until now there are 320 of these financial institutions in the State. During the recent financial stringency there was somewhat of a slack in the number of new companies chartered, but now new ones are being organized at a fairly rapid rate. These companies admirably withstood the money panic of last fall and winter.

Twenty-Eight Are Killed.

City of Mexico: Twenty-eight persons were killed and fifteen seriously injured at Garganta siding, eight kilometers west of Maltrata Friday afternoon in a collision between a special freight train and the second section of a special excursion train bearing Pilgrims from the Shrine of Guadalupe. The Pilgrims left the City of Mexico in the Morning. Both engines, one passenger and two freight cars were totally destroyed.

Cotton Standard Bill is Alive.

Washington: Representative Albert S. Burleson, author of the paragraph providing for a bureau in the Agricultural Department for the standardization of cotton, said there was no doubt the Senate would agree to the bill. Mr. Burleson believes the creation of this bureau will have a most beneficial effect upon the price of cotton, in that it will provide a standard of quality for each grade of the staple.

# NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

The Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias meets in Austin Tuesday.

County Judge Lively estimates the damage done to public property by the recent storm at \$15,000 to \$20,000.

By an overwhelming majority the people of El Paso Saturday voted to issue \$500,000 municipal improvement bonds.

Ben M. Richards, Fort Worth, shot and killed Guy M. Birdsall Saturday afternoon. He men had had a dispute over an account.

An issue of \$250,000 Matagorda County drainage bonds were approved Friday. These are drainage district bonds issued under the new drainage law.

Gustav Nelson, aged 54 years, a wharf watchman at Galveston, was found dead Monday morning at pier No. 38. He was seen alive Sunday night at 10 o'clock.

The secretary of the Southwestern Electric and Gas Association, mailed out Saturday notices pertaining to the fourth annual meeting of the association, which will be held at El Paso on May 7, 8 and 9.

Sherman County Club and other land owners west of Sherman have agreed to lease their holdings to the Red River Oil and Gas Company for the purpose of making tests in the vicinity of Sherman.

The city council of Loraine has entered into a written contract with Higginbotham, Harris & Co., whereby the latter agrees for a period of one year to operate a water system for both public and private use.

The announcement for the Stamford Summer Normal has just been made, the term to begin Monday, June 22, and to close July 25, continuing six weeks. The normal will be held in the Collegiate Institute.

Auburn Head, the 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James Head, living near Cleburne, while scratching matches, ignited his clothing, which were almost completely burned from his body. It is thought his life can be saved.

At San Angelo there was quite a sensation in the county court room Saturday resulting from a fight between Bud Moon and Martin Morris, parties in a civil suit. Judge Mays fined the men \$10 each for contempt, and when this was paid the trouble was at an end.

John McCarty, of Fort Worth, Tex., was shot and killed at Claremore, Ok., Saturday night and William Howell is held charged with the crime. The shooting took place at the Oxford hotel and no one seems to know anything about the events that led up to the tragedy.

The law prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor on election day applies to primary elections with all its prohibitions, and the officers of primary elections shall not, on primary election day, partake of spirituous, vinous, malt or intoxicating liquors after the polls are open.—Terrell Election Law, Sec. 127.

A recent dispatch says all indications are that the shoot to be held under the auspices of the Dallas Gun Club May 19, 20 and 21, at Lake Cliff Park, will be the greatest ever held in Texas, or the Southwest for that matter.

Fire broke out in the Farmers' Union warehouse at Loraine causing a loss of about \$5,500. Thirty bales of cotton were destroyed belonging to different farmers of the community; no insurance.

Assistant Attorney General Walthall has advised the county attorney of Anderson county that the raffling of a suit of clothes is not a lottery scheme within the meaning of the statute prohibiting the operation of lotteries, but that it is a bona fide raffle.

Ten barrels of sugar were stolen from a box car in the Houston and Texas Central yards in the southern part of Dallas some time Sunday night. The matter has been reported to the detective department.

Much disappointment is felt by the Texas members that the appropriation committee should have failed to provide for an item of \$370,000 in the sundry civil bill for the erection of barracks at Fort Crockett. An effort is being made to add this item.

While a northbound Brazos Valley passenger train was pulling into Waxahachie Tuesday night at a speed of about twelve miles an hour, C. O. Bohner, a fireman, fell from the cab and was severely injured.

The order to close the Santa Fe shops for a week have been posted. The order was effective Monday. The shops will open again on May 1. This will include all the shops and will affect perhaps over 500 men for a week.



# THE WEEK'S EPITOME

A RESUME OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NEWS AT HOME AND ABROAD.

## NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE

A Carefully Digested and Condensed Compilation of Current News Domestic and Foreign.

Shawnee, Ok. Elks are making an effort to build an Elk's Hall.

Four Italians were killed at Heber, Ark., Tuesday by a premature explosion of dynamite.

Very complete preparations are making for the Confederate reunion which takes place at Birmingham, Ala., June 9, 10 and 11.

William Lawler, aged 37 years, was drowned from the tugboat Charles Clark just outside the mouth of the jetties at Galveston Wednesday morning.

The directors of the Oklahoma Iron Works of Tulsa have notified the Secretary of State of an increase in the capital stock of their company from \$25,000 to \$100,000.

An unknown man, about thirty years old, registering as James Young, was found dead in bed at the Rock Island Hotel in McAlester, Ok. A morphine bottle was found under his pillow.

Newton Stafford, a bridegroom of a week, was accidentally shot by Alex Watkins, a 17-year-old boy, eight miles north of Muskogee, Ok., while Stafford was standing beside his young wife.

The train carrying the Oklahoma delegation to Denver will be detoured so as to allow the delegates to visit Mr. Bryan's home at Lincoln, where they will be entertained by the celebrated Nebraskan.

Three persons were probably cremated and a fourth was probably fatally burned Friday in a fire which destroyed the home of David Wetherbee at Centerville, a village near Corey, Pa.

Reports from over the Wichita country show the damage done by Tuesday night's storm was extensive. The residence of George Messner was blown from its foundation and other houses damaged.

Henry Crockford, a small boy between ten and twelve years of age, was drowned Tuesday morning while in swimming with two other boys in White Rock Creek beneath the Orphans' Home road bridge near Dallas.

As the result of deliberations at the Cabinet session it was determined that Secretary Taft should go to Panama. He will sail April 30 on the cruiser Prairie. A detachment of marines also will be sent on the Prairie.

Grata Mole, one of the oldest members of the Osage tribe of Indians died of heart failure near Bird Creek, northeast of Pawhuskie, Ok. Grata Mole was a member of the Big Hill band and resided near Gray Horse.

In a contested will case tried in Sherman, wherein the will of Mrs. Mattie Hurd was attacked by the surviving husband to keep valuable property willed by his wife to Buckner Orphan's Home, the defendants won.

Mr. Smithson, agent for the Texas Central Railway Company at Comyn, was drowned in crossing the Leon River Wednesday morning. Comyn is two miles from the river, and he was on his way to DeLeon to assist in some repair work at that place.

Henri Boulanger, a prisoner on Ellis Island, New York, feligned toothache and while in the dentist's chair jumped up and ran out at a side door and made his escape.

The M. K. & T. railroad shops at Sedalia, Mo., employing over 500 men, were closed Friday night until May 1. No reason was given.

At a meeting held in Carlisle Saturday afternoon the Shipbuilding Employees' Federation decided to order a lockout in every shipbuilding yard in the United Kingdom.

Sheriff John Bird of Osage County, Ok., Friday night stopped a prize fight which was in progress at the opera house between two local featherweights.

The American fleet cast anchor at Santa Barbara, Cal. Friday. Admiral Evans, who is much improved, will be with the fleet in a few days.

A wind storm at Memphis, Tenn., Sunday set the town into a panic. Street signs and awnings were wrecked and many film structures destroyed. No fatalities are reported.

The United States Marshal's office and Shreveport police have been notified that twenty-five or thirty school children were poisoned near vRda, La., by drinking water from a well into which a drug had been poured, and that seven of them were dangerously sick.

Machinery for the Chickasha Water-power Company has arrived and was sidetracked at the plant on the river east of town. The consignment included the big twin turbine wheels and the machinery that accompanies them.

The fruit prospects in Oklahoma are said to be the best ever had at this time of year.

The Tulsa Boomers, 120 in number, Tulsa, Oklahoma's liveliest citizens are traveling north booming that city.

Ex-Governor Vardaman of Mississippi will be the chief orator on Mississippi day at the State Fair this year. The exact date is not yet determined.

The Senate bill making it a felony to conduct a bucket shop in New York has passed by a party vote of the Assembly. It goes to the Governor.

A rumor comes from London that two mail bags containing securities and other valuables aggregating \$500,000 were stolen in New York last month.

Captain Frank McCoy, military aide to President Roosevelt in Cuba, is investigating whether the conditions will warrant the withdrawal of American troops.

L. A. Coulter of Richmond, Va., is to be the new secretary of the Texas Y. M. C. A. He has accepted the position and will assume his duties on September 1.

It is generally understood that the Rock Island-Frisco railway combination in Oklahoma has yet 30 days in which to arrange for the dissolution of the combine.

Sherbie Becker's balloon—the largest in "captivity"—from which the mayor of Milwaukee will stump Wisconsin during his gubernatorial campaign has arrived.

Practically all the cotton mills in Fall River, Mass., have decided to adopt the policy of curtailing production in an effort to offset the adverse market conditions.

A horse belonging to John Wheeler, a grocery dealer of Terrell, became frightened by a parade in East Terrell and dropped dead while being driven by Roy James, a delivery driver.

The Texas Central railroad which was probably more damaged than any line in the State by high water, has laborers on each of its divisions repairing track and replacing bridges.

The attorney general has approved for registration \$250,000 of improvement bonds for drainage district No. 1 of Matagorda County. The bonds are twenty-forties, bearing 5 per cent.

Jacob Ashoff, a railroad engineer, shot and fatally wounded his wife at Bellair, Ohio, and then killed himself. It is said Mrs. Ashoff slapped her husband's face. The shooting followed.

Jim and Tom Trimm, aged 15 and 22 years, were killed by lightning at their home at Annona Wednesday morning. They were standing at the window watching the rain when the bolt struck.

Charles Peterson, aged 50 years, fell from a second story awning at a rooming house in Galveston Saturday and died from the injuries in less than an hour. He never regained consciousness.

The city council approved Governor Magoon's proposition for paying and sewerage Havana, stipulating, however, that 75 per cent of the men to be employed on the work shall be Cubans. The cost will be \$15,000,000.

Winchelar Martinez, a well-dressed stranger, was run down in the Diaz yards, Eagle Pass, by cars being shoved around by the switch engine. A leg and arm were cut off and he died from his injuries.

Beginning Monday there was another layoff at the Santa Fe shops at Cleburne. Four of five hundred men will off until May 1. The company is suffering losses from the floods, and this is also curtailing shipments.

A committee of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, which has united in a demand upon Congress for the removal of the import duty on wood pulp and print paper, visited the capital Saturday in the interest of this project.

Walter D. Munson, president of the Munson Steamship line, died suddenly Friday. Heart disease was the cause of death. In addition to the Munson Steamship line, Mr. Munson was interested in the Atlantic and Mexican Gulf Steamship Company.

Rev. George R. Stuart, the evangelist, began a revival at the First Methodist Church at Fort Worth Sunday which is expected to continue for at least three weeks.

A light earthquake was felt at San Francisco early Saturday morning.

The steamer Philadelphia brought word that there were two cases of bubonic plague at Caracas, and that a large number of people were awaiting steamers at Porto Cabello in order to leave Venezuela.

Mrs. Ad. Topperwein won professional high average at the Groesbeck annual shoot, breaking 702 out of possible 725. H. R. Bosley led the amateurs in the general average.

A baseball thrown by a boy struck Mrs. Catherine Murray, New York, over her heart Tuesday afternoon, and she died from the effects of the blow.

Unpledged and uncommitted delegates to the Republican National Convention at Chicago were elected Tuesday at the New Hampshire Republican State Convention in Concord.

# FROM THE COMMONER

MR. BRYAN'S PAPER

MR. TAFT AS A CRITIC.

When Secretary Taft spoke at Omaha recently he took occasion to criticize Mr. Bryan. His first criticism was directed to Mr. Bryan's conduct in advocating the ratification of the treaty. According to Secretary Taft, Mr. Bryan can not consistently criticize the imperialistic policy of the government because he favored the ratification of the treaty. Secretary Taft is either misinformed as to what Mr. Bryan did, or he is lacking in the candor that ought to characterize public men in speaking of an opponent. The question before the country was not whether the treaty was as good a treaty as might have been made, or whether it contained provisions that it ought not to have contained. The treaty was made by the president's representatives, and when presented to congress, contained a provision for the ceding of the Philippine Islands to the United States. The Republicans had a majority in both senate and house, and the president was a Republican, but as the treaty requires a two-thirds majority, some of the opponents of imperialism thought it possible to secure the rejection of the treaty. The rejection of the treaty, however, would simply continue the state of war and furnish an excuse for a continuance of war taxes and war expenses. If the Democrats had succeeded in preventing the ratification of the treaty, they were not in a position to give instructions as to a new treaty. If they had prevented the ratification they would have taken upon themselves the responsibility for anything that happened while the state of war continued. If, for instance, they had refused to ratify the treaty, and insisted that Spain should give independence to the Filipinos, there was danger of objection being made by the European nations which have colonies in the orient, and none of the monarchies of Europe are anxious to have a republic established in Asia. With a minority in both houses, the Democrats could not possibly shape the policy of the government, but they could bring upon themselves just criticism if they involved the country in further war. This was the situation that the Democrats had to meet and Mr. Bryan proposed a plan for meeting it, and he has never for a moment regretted the part he took in that crisis. He proposed the ratification of the treaty and a declaration of our nation's purpose to recognize the independence of the Philippine Islands just as the treaty provided for the recognition of the independence of Cuba. The treaty settled the question as far as Spain was concerned and left the future of the Filipinos entirely to us. It was easier for us to act alone than to act through a treaty, and by acting alone we relieved ourselves of the dangers that attend the negotiation of a treaty. The plan which Mr. Bryan proposed came so near realization that it required the vote of the vice-president to defeat it, for the treaty was ratified by a very slender margin, and the vote on the Bacon resolution promising independence was so close that the presiding officer, the vice-president, turned the scales and decided the question in the negative. One more vote and the promise of independence would have been given and all subsequent trouble saved. Now it is hardly fair to judge Secretary Taft of ignorance of the situation at that time. He certainly knew that Mr. Bryan's plan included the promise of independence as well as the ratification of the treaty. How can he, then, discuss the matter without discussing the entire plan? Why does he speak only of the ratification of the treaty and ignore the promise of independence? Secretary Taft is not the only Republican who shows this lack of candor. Time and again Republicans have made the criticism that Secretary Taft makes, and by doing so have been guilty of the same unfairness.

Mr. Bryan has constantly and persistently opposed imperialism; he has from the very first insisted upon the promise of independence. The ratification of the treaty was only a means of securing independence, and the only means in sight. If we could not defeat imperialism when the Bacon proposition was presented, we could not defeat it when our fight was embarrassed by the prolonging of the war and the incurring of dangers incident thereto.

There has never been a time since the treaty was ratified but we might have settled the question by a promise of independence, but Republican leaders were willing to surrender the doctrine of self-government in order to secure trade advantages in the orient, and not being able to defend their policy, they have tried to lay the ratification of the treaty upon Mr. Bryan, as if the ratification had made it impossible for them to avoid colonialism. We have spent more than five hundred millions in this foolish attempt to ape the monarchism of the old world; we have more than doubled our army, and we are constantly increasing our navy, and imperialism is the only excuse that can be made for either. Our annual appropriations for the army and navy are more than one hundred millions a year in excess of what they were ten years ago, and are still increasing. The Republicans refused to announce a policy; they refused to discuss the subject, and yet the expenses go on. The Democrats say, just as Bryan said in 1899, prom-

ise independence and fulfill the promise as soon as a state government can be established. Secretary Taft ought to have enough courage to meet the real issue and not attempt to hide behind a bogus issue.

Secretary Taft in the Omaha speech made another criticism of Mr. Bryan, referring to him as "a gentleman who still seems to have the power of leading the Democratic party against its will." He adopts the language of some of the corporate papers which have made the same charge. Secretary Taft ought to be well enough informed to know that Mr. Bryan has no means of leading the Democratic party against its will. He has no offices to distribute; he has no great corporate influence back of him; he has no way of influencing men except by persuasion; he has never had a political commission and he never had any fund to draw on to keep up an organization. When he was nominated for congress in 1890, no one else desired the nomination, and it was not supposed that he could be elected, for the district was strongly Republican, but he was elected, largely owing to the landslide of that year. He was renominated without opposition in 1892. In 1894 he was nominated for the Democratic state convention, receiving every vote on the roll-call. In 1896 he was nominated in Chicago because the delegates wanted to nominate him; in 1890 he was re-nominated, nearly every state and territory instructing for him. He announced immediately after the election in 1900 that he would not be a candidate in 1904, but the disastrous results of the campaign of 1904 showed the folly of any attempt to conciliate predatory wealth, and as soon as the election was over he was discussed in connection with the nomination of 1908. In the fall of 1905 Mr. Bryan left home for a trip around the world and was gone about a year; he was not in correspondence with any one in regard to politics, and yet while he was out of the country, something like half of the states passed resolutions favorable to his nomination. Notwithstanding this very unusual endorsement, he refused to announce himself as a candidate, and for more than a year waited to see if the political conditions would make some one else more available. In November of last year he announced that he would accept the nomination if it was the desire of the Democratic voters that he should do so, and this announcement was made to put an end to the constant misrepresentations that were being made by unfriendly papers. That is as far as he has gone. Whatever work others have done in his behalf has been done voluntarily and without solicitation from him. How, then, can he be accused of leading the Democratic party against its will?

But the strangest part of this charge is that it comes from Secretary Taft whose candidacy is backed by the president and who has the aid of nearly all the government officials in securing delegates. Everyone who is connected with politics knows what an advantage it is to have any army of workers who get pay from the people while they devote themselves to politics. The activity of the government officials in behalf of Mr. Taft has been such that contesting delegations have been sent from a number of districts. Not only has the secretary the backing of the president and the support of the officials, but he has the powerful aid of a rich brother who is prepared to spend more money in securing the secretary's nomination than the Democrats can hope to collect for a campaign fund. Surely Secretary Taft must have forgotten himself when he complained that Mr. Bryan was leading the Democratic party against its will.

### OR IT MAY BE—

A magazine writer who seems to be "groping blindly in the darkness," says: "The thing which has made Bryanism again possible may be a mere spinning ecstasy in the nerves of an overwrought people; it may be a slow moral revolution, swinging tidelike from party to party; it may be a recognition of the enduring power of an un-sullied manhood, coupled with an incomparable tongue; it may be a mere habit, or it may be a mood of despair in which all candidates retire in favor of the one man who has learned how to make defeat pay." Or it may be that the American people have grown weary of the impossibilities put upon them by trust magnates posing as "defenders of the national honor."

### WHERE?

The Springfield (Mass.) Republican prints this significant editorial: "On which side is the heart of the president in the party struggle in the house or representatives? Does he sympathize with the opposition filibustering to force action on his favorite measures, or with the Republican majority fighting to dump them under a trapdoor until the next session? Which is the president's party, anyhow?"

### HOW LONG?

Public Service Commissioner Williams of New York recently said: "The day of perpetual franchises is past. The public insists, and will insist, that franchises, whether in the streets or under the streets, shall either remain in the city or within the city's control under such conditions that they may be retaken after a given period." Mr. Williams is hardly in line with Secretary Taft, who admitted that he favored the perpetual franchise in the Philippines.

No Occasion for It. "My dear," said the old man to his only daughter on the morning of her wedding day, "I don't see how I am going to get along without you." "Now, don't let that worry you, papa," replied the fair maid, as she adjusted her bridal veil. "George confessed to me last night that he hadn't enough money even to buy a second-hand stove, so instead of losing me it looks as if we were going to stay right with you."

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For County Treasurer  
**A. G. JONES**

For County Attorney:  
**BRUCE W. BRYANT**  
**W. C. JACKSON**

For Assessor of Taxes:  
**R. H. SPROWLS**  
**J. W. TARBETT**  
**E. W. MOSER**  
**L. D. MORGAN**  
**A. D. STAMPS**  
**J. N. McFATTER**

For Sheriff and Tax Collector:  
**M. E. PARK**  
**J. W. HESTER**  
**W. W. FITZGERALD**  
**D. W. FIELDS**

For Public Weigher Prec. No. 1:  
**THEODORE BOWMAN**  
**W. A. MARSH**  
**CLAUDE H. MOONEYHAM**

For Public Weigher Prec. No. 2:  
**P. J. POLLARD**

For Constable Prec. No. 1:  
**T. W. CARLTON**

For Constable Prec. No. 4:  
**T. E. SCHARFF**

For Justice of Peace, Prec. 1:  
**G. W. LAMKIN**

For County Superintendent of Public Schools:  
**J. C. WILLIAMS**

For County Commissioner, Prec. 1:  
**M. A. CLIFTON**  
**J. N. F. GILLILAND**

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## Information for Homeseekers.

For the purpose of furnishing reliable information in regard to the productions, resources, school and church facilities, social conditions, etc., of this portion of the state and also to give any desired information to persons seeking locations for any industrial or manufacturing enterprise, the towns throughout a group of counties—in which Haskell county is included—have organized the Central West Texas Association of Commercial Clubs with officers and agents whose business it is to gather and furnish such authentic information.

A letter of inquiry addressed to the secretary or any of the officers, or a member of the executive committee will receive prompt attention.

Their names and addresses follow:

Officers:  
Pres. T. E. Powell, Baird, Tex.  
Vice-Pres. Jas. Stinson, Anson, Texas.  
Treas. R. E. Wofford, Hamlin,

Texas.  
Sec. O. P. Thomas, Abilene, Texas.

## POSTED

All persons are hereby forbidden to hunt, fish or hand wood or otherwise trespass on the premises known as the Sherrick pasture, now owned by me.

MRS. A. J. NOLEN.

## It Reached the Spot.

Mr. E. Humphrey, who owns a large general store at Omega, O., and is president of the Adams County Telephone company, as well as of the Home Telephone company, of Pike county, Ohio, says of Dr. King's New Discovery: "It saved my life once. At least I think it did. It seemed to reach the spot—the very seat of my cough—when everything else failed." Dr. King's New Discovery not only reaches the cough spot; it heals the sore spots and the weak spots and the weak spots in the throat, lungs and chest. Sold under guarantee at Terrell's Drug Store. 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free.

"Better Be Safe than Sorry."  
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# BISCUIT

That most people like good biscuit and light, fluffy, wholesome bread is proven in the great success we have had in introducing and selling :

## "Queen of the Pantry"

flour. This flour is guaranteed to be made of choice selected wheat, thoroughly cleaned before being milled, and is bound to make wholesome and nutritious bread. :

## Have You Tried It Yet?

Your attention is also invited to our general stock of groceries, which includes everything in the line of staple and fancy family groceries, flavorings, seasoning etc., and which we endeavor to have of the purest and best. Being an :

## Exclusive Grocery Store

we buy in large quantities and are in position to make you the best prices. :

## W. W. FIELDS & SON.

## Estray Notice.

THE STATE OF TEXAS )  
County of Haskell. )  
Taken up by G. W. Lamkin and Estrayed on April 6th, 1908, One red muley cow, about 4 or 5 years old, no brand or mark, also her calf, about 3 months old, no brand or mark. Appraised at fifteen dollars.

The owner of said stock is requested to come forward, prove property, pay charges, and take the same away, or it will be dealt with as the law directs.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 9th day of April, 1908.  
J. W. MEADORS, Clerk  
County Court Haskell Co.

Class No. 5 of the Christian Church S. S. will have a Box Supper on the Lawn of Mrs. J. L. Odell. Tuesday night May 19, 1908. Every one between the age of 10 and 90 are invited. All ye maidens come with a box of lunch for two, every youth who loves pie bring your quarter, (25 cts) select your box and feast with the one whose name you find on the inside. There will be music, games and a general good time.

Rev. G. H. Morrison and family are visiting the families of Messrs. Pinkerton and Baker at this place. We understand that Rev. Morrison has been called to the pastorate of the First Christian church at Abilene and will leave in a few days to take up his work there.



## Don't be a Slave to the Shovel.

Get coal that will not require constant shoveling in, ashes out—coal that's fuel all the way through and will last long. The short of that advice is to order your coal from yards.

**L. P. Davidson**  
**Grain & Coal Co.**  
Phone 157.

## THANKS

Having retired from the market business as proprietor of the City Meat Market, I desire to say to the public that I heartily appreciate and thank all who extended patronage to me while I was conducting such business.

Respectfully,

**W. D. Joiner**

# LADIES' SILK GLOVES

Just received, a new shipment of ladies' Long Silk Gloves; colors black, white, champagne and brown. These are the

## Best Double Tip Quality

Also new line of long length Mocha Driving Gloves for ladies. These are the best quality, and quantity is unlimited, so the early buyer will reap the benefit.

## Alexander Mercantile Co.

THE BIG STORE.

## FEED AND FUEL

Full and complete stock of feed and fuel always on hand, such as

## GRAIN, HAY, BRAN, CHOPS, WOOD AND COAL

Give my new cash system a trial and see the difference. Nothing is added to the price of what you buy to help make up the loss on bad credit accounts.

## WEIGHING

I have an accurate five-ton scale and weigh for the public.  
I'll be pleased to do business with you.

## BOOTH ENGLISH



## ALMONT Jr.

Is nine years old, he will make the season of 1908 at the farm of R. H. Darnells, nine miles south of Haskell. Mr. Darnell will keep the horse and will also pasture mares during season.

## DESCRIPTION OF ALMONT Jr.

This Stallion is a dark iron gray, 16 hands high, natural saddler, travels all the gaits. Almont Jr. was sired by Allen Almont, whose first dam was by Simon, son of Woolf by Black Hawk, sire of Ethen Allen 2:15; 2nd dam Kate, by Baker's Legtreasurer, son of Medon; 3rd dam, a thoroughbred.

**TERMS \$15.00** to insure to tit, money due when mare is sold, traded or removed from the county. Mare and colt stands good for the season.

All who are indebted to me for colts for the season of 1907 will find their accounts at the Farmers National Bank of Haskell, Texas.

**JOHN F. LEFEVER**

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### Locals and Personals.

W. H. Murchison, Esq., visited Throckmorton Tuesday.

See those ladies' new belts at Alexander Mercantile Co.

Mr. T. E. Elliott left Monday night on a trip to Dallas.

Mr. Lee Nealy went to Stamford Monday night.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from  
**Sanders & Wilson.**

Baggage transferred to all parts of the city, ring No. 114 or Rupe & Pearsey.

Mr. Henry Free, a prosperous east side farmer, was in the city Tuesday.

Mr. W. H. Day of the south-east part of the county was doing business in town Tuesday.

It is to your interest to pay Cash for feed—no per cent is added to the price to balance bad accounts. Try it at Booth English's feed store.

Our abstract books are complete and up-to-date. Get your abstracts from  
**Sanders & Wilson.**

Ladies call and see those new belts at Alexander Mercantile Company.

Miss Feral Helton returned Sunday from Stamford, where she spent several days last week visiting.

The best line of buggy whips, lap robes and horse blankets at Ever's shop, Haskell.

FOR RENT—1 four room house north of High School. Call and see  
**J. J. Stein.**

Prepared chicken food cheap, just the thing for young chickens. **G. J. Miller.**

I have put in a rubber tire machine and can repair your rubber tires at my shop.  
**J. B. Lamkin.**

A car of No. 1 green hay at **G. J. Miller's.**

Those new belts at Alexander Mercantile Company are swell. Better get one.

It is time for the clean up campaign to begin in earnest in Haskell.

Miss Lourena Graham left Wednesday morning to spend the summer with relatives in Durant, Oklahoma.

I have posted my pastures on Paint and California creek and hunters and fishermen are notified to keep out or they will be dealt with by law. **S. W. Scott.**

Mr. A. J. Glasgow of Munday visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. Geo. M. Hill, editor of the Rochester Review, was shaking hands with Haskell friends Sunday.

When your premises need cleaning up and any trash is to be hauled away call on city scavenger. **L. A. Stewart.**

Mr. T. J. Pennel called in Tuesday and handed us a check on subscription account and also had the paper sent to a brother at Bartlett.

FOR TRADE—Good mesquite wood for a good milch cow.  
**G. B. Powell.**

All plow gear from a hame-strap to the best collar can be had at reasonable prices of Evers, the saddler at Haskell.

Messrs. Noble and Dennington of the Sagerton Sun visited the county capital the early part of the week.

Good fresh Jersey cows shipped from Lewis' farm at Tyler. Get you a milch cow. **T. W. Hudson.**

100 Bushels of Harvell cotton seed for sale. Phone 42.  
**T. A. Williams, Haskell.**

## NEW MARKET

I have opened a meat market on the north side of the square, where I will serve the best fresh meats to be obtained.

I will appreciate a share of your patronage.

## ELMER WALL

### Family Groceries

We offer to the public a choice stock of fresh, pure groceries. Your patronage is solicited.

### Irby & Stephens

Monday a crowd of young ladies went out to Mule creek to spend a day recreating. The party consisted of Misses Edyth Jenkins, Jessie Wright, Nettie Wetzler, Dollie Wheeler and Feral Helton, Mrs. Jenkins as chaperone. After their return to the city they serenaded until a late hour. They reported a good time and a nice catch of fish.

When you have or see any dead animals, chickens, etc. in town call **L. A. Stewart**, city scavenger, phone No. 48.

Lost—One white feather boa between Alexander's store and Liles' residence. Finder please return to this or McNeill's office.

A reward of \$15.00 will be paid for the arrest and final conviction of any person cutting timber on the land of Jas. Wilkinson in the northeast corner of J. E. Ellis survey 8 miles east of Haskell. **S. W. SCOTT, Agt.**

Those belts with comet buckles are the newest thing out. See them at Alexander Mercantile Company.

The most elaborate line of ladies' belts ever shown in Haskell at Alexander Mercantile Company.

Mr. J. E. Davis came in Wednesday from a visit to his farm in the southwest part of the county. He tells us that he never saw finer wheat and oats but once before and that wheat will mature a good crop with the moisture now in ground but that late oats will need another rain later on to mature heavy grain. He says that the last rain fell pretty heavily and was accompanied by considerable wind, packing the soil so that some maize and kafir had to be replanted.

The farmers of Haskell county have turned many a furrow and put many a seed in the ground this week.

### NOTICE

All parties are hereby notified, that fishing and hunting in what is known as the Stone Ranch and Culver Pastures owned by me, is strictly prohibited. And any one caught violating this notice will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. 14-4t  
**J. A. MATTHEWS, Albany, Tx.**



\$3.50  
\$3.00  
\$2.50  
A FEW SPECIALS \$4.00

## Queen Quality OXFORDS

To see them is to admire. To wear them is to grow enthusiastic. 10,000 pairs of "Queen Quality" Shoes would not be made and sold daily did they not furnish the fullest measure of Style, Comfort and Economy.

The new styles are now ready. New Colonials and other Oxfords in new Tan and Brown shades, and in Kid, Gun Metal and Patent Leathers. But newspaper cuts cannot do them justice. You must see the shoes for yourself.

**C. D. GRISSOM & SON**  
THE STORE WITH THE GOODS



### ANOTHER FIRE

One Building Burned and Others Have Narrow Escape.

A little after 12 o'clock Wednesday night fire was discovered in the wooden building on the north side of the square owned by J. F. Pinkerton and occupied by English Bros.' meat market and Mode Collins' cold drink and confectionery. Many citizens responded quickly to the alarm and the fire boys were soon on the scene with their chemical engines. The fire had gained too strong a hold, however, and the building and contents were soon reduced to ashes.

The fire was communicated across a vacant lot to the wooden building occupied by Messrs. Freeman, Taylor and Ellis, known as the "Hub" and by W. H. Wyman & Co., "Racket Store," and the heat became so great that the fire boys could endure it but a moment or two at a time as they endeavored to hold the hose and throw the chemical solution on the wall.

The wall was charred to a coal and the fire was getting under the iron roof when E. E. Marvin threw his coat over his head, took the hose and told the boys throw water on him and, going between the burning buildings, he directed the stream on the danger point as the others threw buckets of water on him and soon had the blaze out. It was a daring and heroic act and Mr. Marvin was lauded by everybody.

The Hub, Racket Store and City Grocery were broken into and most of their contents carried out before the fire was subdued. They sustained some damage from water and breakage. English Bros.' loss was total and they had \$750 insurance. Mode Collins' loss was total and he had \$500 insurance, not enough to cover loss.

If the fire had not been stopped just where it was, several other buildings would have burned and the loss would have been quite heavy.

The fire boys did good work and deserve the unqualified thanks of all.

### NOTICE.

All persons are warned against hunting, fishing, or trespassing on what is known as the Neathery Farm, 1 mile south of Haskell.

Parties who have been hauling sand off this place without written authority from the owner is hereby forbidden to do so.

**J. J. Stein.**

Newest creations in ladies' belts at Alexander Mercantile Company.

Mr. L. D. Webster spent the week at Sagerton.

TO THE PUPILS OF THE SECOND AND THIRD GRADES IN THE SECOND WARD:

The pupils of the low third grade that have not finished their examinations, be at the South Ward building Thursday morning, May 7.

The second grade pupils will finish their examinations Friday morning.

All pupils be present at 2:30 p. m., Friday, May 8, to get your report cards.

**RUBY GUTHRIE.**

### REMEMBER

It's not how you live, but how your liver! If not in perfect order, make it so by using Simmons' Liver Purifier—in boxes only. It's the surest, safest and most agreeable aid to that organ ever put in.

The World's Best Climate is not entirely free from disease, on the high elevations fevers prevail, while on the lower levels malaria is encountered to a greater or less extent, according to altitude. To overcome climate affections lassitude, malaria, jaundice, biliousness, fever and ague, and general debility, the most effective remedy is Electric Bitters, the great alterative and blood purifier; the antidote for every form of bodily weakness, nervousness, and insomnia. Sold under guarantee at Terrell's Drug Store. Price 50c.

Mrs. G. M. Hill of Rochester is visiting her parents at Anson.

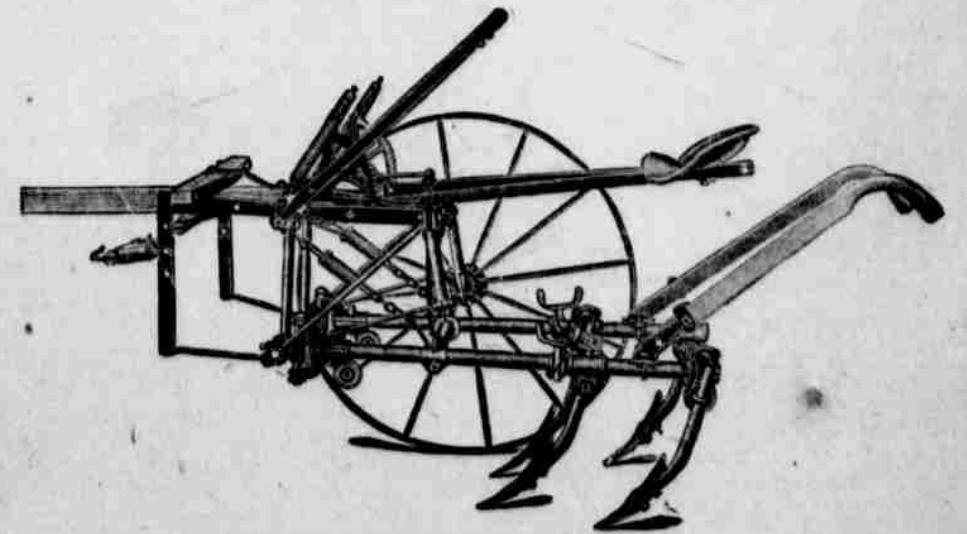
## JOHN DEERE

## ...CULTIVATORS...

We are offering to the trade the celebrated JOHN DEERE CULTIVATORS. The name is enough. Get one before they are gone.

## CASON, COX & CO.

## The Standard Cultivator



FOR SALE BY

**SHERRILL BROTHERS & COMPANY**  
Dealers in General Hardware, Implements.

### NOTICE

I am compelled to protest against the practice of people here depositing dead animals in my pasture northeast of town. And if you do not respect my rights I will have to appeal to the law.

16 3t

**J. A. Bailey.**

### A Californian's Luck

"The luckiest day of my life was when I bought a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve," writes Charles F. Budahn, of Tracy, California. "Two 25c boxes cured me of an annoying case of itching piles, which had troubled me for years and that yielded to no other treatment." Sold under guarantee at Terrell's Drug Store.







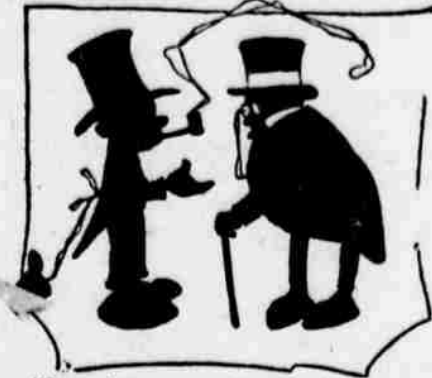
**WOMEN'S KIDNEYS.**

Are the Source of Most of Women's Sickness.

Mrs. Rebecca Mock, 1795 E. Rich Street, Columbus, Ohio, writes: "I believe I would still be a victim of kidney troubles but for Doan's Kidney Pills, for when I started using them I was in constant pain with my back, and no other remedy had been of any use. The kidney secretions were irregular, and I was nervous and lacked energy. But Doan's Kidney Pills gave me prompt relief and continued use cured me."

Sold by all dealers, 50 cents a box. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y.

**ON THE GLAD HIGHWAY.**



"Say, boss, you hasn't er dime in yer clothes, has yer?"  
"No, my man, I have not. But how did you guess it?"

**How I Cured Sweeny and Fistula.**

"I want to tell you how I saved one of our horses that had a fistula. We had the horse doctor out and he said it was so bad that he did not think he could cure it, and did not come again. Then we tried Sloan's Liniment and it cured it up nicely.  
"One day last spring I was plowing for a neighbor who had a horse with sweeny, and I told him about Sloan's Liniment and he had me get a bottle for him, and it cured his horse all right, and he goes off now like a colt.  
"We had a horse that had sweeny awfully bad and we thought it was never going to be any good, but we used Sloan's Liniment and it cured it up nicely. I told another neighbor about it and he said it was the best Liniment he ever used.  
"We are using Sloan's Sure Colic Cure and we think it is all right."  
A. D. Bruce, Aurelia, Ia.

**A Dreadful Secret.**

Wife—Have you any secrets you keep from me, dearest?  
Husband—None, darling.  
Wife—Then I am determined I will have none from you, either.  
Husband—Have you secrets, then?  
Wife—Only one, and I am resolved to make a clean breast of it.  
Husband (hoarsely)—Go on!  
Wife—For several days I have had a secret—a secret longing for a new dress, with hat to match, for my birthday.  
That fetched him.—Tatler.

**Willing to Oblige.**

The poor but nervy young man was after the hand of the heiress.  
"Young man," roared her irate father, "never darken my door again."  
"All right, sir," replied the suitor, blandly, "I'll come around to-morrow and give it a coat of bright red paint. That will be much better than darkening it."  
And the next instant the poor but nervy young man was being chased by a Scotch coachman, a French chauffeur and an English bulldog.

**New Dinner Card Idea.**

From Paris comes a decorated card-rack with a trail of artificial flowers that may be changed to suit the dinner colors and makes a pretty addition to the table. These racks are to hold a plain card upon which the guest's name is written and they may be used for a good many dinners, thus obviating the expense of the decorated dinner card every time one entertains.

**BUILT RIGHT.**

Brain and Nerves Restored by Grape-Nuts Food.

The number of persons whose ailments were such that no other food could be retained at all, is large and reports are on the increase.

"For 12 years I suffered from dyspepsia, finding no food that did not distress me," writes a Wis. lady. "I was reduced from 145 to 90 lbs., gradually growing weaker until I could leave my bed only a short while at a time, and became unable to speak aloud.

Three years ago I was attracted by an article on Grape-Nuts and decided to try it.

"My stomach was so weak I could not take cream, but I used Grape-Nuts with milk and lime water. It helped me from the first, building up my system in a manner most astonishing to the friends who had thought my recovery impossible.

"Soon I was able to take Grape-Nuts and cream for breakfast, and lunch at night, with an egg and Grape-Nuts for dinner.

"I am now able to eat fruit, meat and nearly all vegetables for dinner, but fondly continue Grape-Nuts for breakfast and supper.

"At the time of beginning Grape-Nuts I could scarcely speak a sentence without changing words around or 'talking crooked' in some way, but my brain and nerves have become so strengthened that I no longer have that trouble." "There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.

**SPOILED HER STORY**

SHORT-TEMPERED MAN MADE WIFE LOOK FOOLISH.

Determined Attempts to Spoil Social Evening Finally Crowned with Success—To Be Hoped She Got Even with Him.

Hivling got out his evening clothes, including the one remaining clean shirt with broad gauge bosom, and "that d—n hat," as Hivling always referred to his opera crush. You see, Hivling didn't care much for society himself. He trailed along just to keep peace.

When they were all ready for the start that night, and Mrs. Hivling kept remarking peevishly that they were going to be late, as usual, she supposed, Hivling happened to notice that his patent leathers looked sort of dingy. Even Mrs. Hivling admitted that he'd better take time to dab a little liquid polish on the footgear. Just as he was finishing the other shoe he straightened up for a minute and dropped a wee drop of the polish on his shirt bosom. It was an infinitesimal particle, much smaller than the ordinary pinhead of commerce, and wouldn't have mattered at all. But finding it there just when he was hustling to be off to that sassy affair ruffled Hivling some.

"Look at this, will you?" he shouted to his wife.

"I don't see anything but a little speck on your shirt," responded the wife, mildly.

"That's all you see, hey? Well, you'll see more, Mrs. Hivling, and pretty quick, too, I'm here to state. I'll just make this infernal shirt front look real good and rotten while we're at it!"

Whereupon Hivling proceeded as his ruffled temper dictated. He took the dauber and drew two broad lines down over the bosom and two more across—forming a double cross effect.

"Now, then!" remarked Hivling, in a tone of triumph, not even noticing his wife's glares, "now, then!"

"Now we won't get to the party at all," wailed Mrs. Hivling, "and after getting a new gown for the affair! All on account of that abominable, detestable temper of yours. O—oh! oh! it's just disgusting, the silly fool things you do when some little thing goes wrong." Then she went into the other room and threw herself on the lounge.

Hivling, of course, had cooled down some by this time. His wife was right. They would have to stay at home. And Hivling well knew that it would be many a week before he would be able to square himself for that night's work.

But Hivling got out of it. He called a cab and sent Mrs. Hivling ahead, saying that he would come along later, as soon as he could dig up a shirt some place.

A half hour later, Mrs. Hivling smilingly was telling how she happened to be there alone. "Mr. Hivling was called down town on an important business matter," she was saying, "and the dear, he just made me come alone. I thought it was mean to come when he was obliged to go down town, but he insisted until I gave in."

Then when Hivling finally arrived, looking sheepish, his first words to the group of women his wife had been talking to was: "Well, I suppose my wife's been telling you how I got sore and painted a Chinese nightmare on my shirt front and like to never get here at all, eh?"

Furs Outshone Those of Royalty.

Mrs. Whitelaw Reid, the wife of the American ambassador, never is guilty of that fault to which, according to English notions, her countrywomen are so much addicted—overdressing. Her costumes never are elaborate, says a London society writer. But occasionally she gets a chance to make a display of wealth without laying herself open to the charge of ostentatious vulgarity. Such an opportunity was afforded by the Bourbon wedding. The furs she wore there were magnificent. They were of the finest Russian sable, and neither of the two queens present nor any of the lesser royalties had furs that would stand comparison with them. When it came to diamonds, the contrast was all the other way. In the matter of displaying jewelry Mrs. Reid exercises becoming moderation. But those who took note of her furs knew that it was not a question of economy.

Alexander's Escape.

As a young man Alexander the Great escaped death in a curious manner. A great banquet was being held at Pella, the capital of Macedonia, at which were present the future conqueror of the world and his father, Philip.

During the feast one of the guests proposed a toast and prayer offensive to Alexander, who hurled a goblet at him. King Philip, angry at this outrage, started up, drew his sword, and rushed furiously upon his son; but he had drunk so deeply that before he reached him he fell prostrate among the terrified merry-makers.

Not a whit perturbed at this extraordinary escape from death, Alexander retorted: "Here is a man preparing to cross from Europe into Asia, who yet can not step surely from one couch to another."

Safeguarded.

"Do you expect to get on well with your foreign son-in-law?"

"Surely," answered Mr. Cumrox. "Neither of us can pronounce the other's name well enough to get on quarreling terms of intimacy."

**SKIPPING IN THE JUNGLE.**



**"We Have Many Similar."**

The following is an extract from a letter received from Mr. H. H. Meyers of Stuttgart, Ark.: "You would greatly oblige me if you would introduce Hunt's Lightning Oil at Milledgeville, Ill., as I have many friends and relatives there, in whom I am much concerned, and I understand the Oil is not kept there. I can recommend it as the best medicine I ever had in my house. It cured me of a bad case of the Bloody Flux in less than one-half hour, and it cured my grand-daughter of a bad case of Cholera Morbus in a very short time."

**THE GREAT MAN'S OCCUPATION.**

Nothing Very Serious in His Mind Just at That Moment.

The multi-millionaire was being shaved. As he lay back in his chair, looking upward, his grave face gave the impression that he was in deep study.

"Ah," whispered one of the barber shop loiterers, "I'll wager a dollar against a toothpick that he is thinking of railroad mergers."

"No," said another, "he is thinking about bear raids in Wall street."

"Bet he is pondering over the rebate system," echoed a third.

"I'll ask him."  
Walking over to the chair, he said politely:

"Beg your pardon, sir, but to settle an argument, would you kindly tell us what mighty question you are studying over?"

The multi-millionaire turned his lathered face around and smiled. "I was just studying two flies doing handsprings on the ceiling," he chuckled, and the trio of guessers looked so sheepish they failed to hear "Next" when it was called to them.

**BABY'S ITCHING HUMOR.**

Nothing Would Help Him—Mother Almost in Despair—Owes Quick Cure to Cuticura.

"Several months ago, my little boy began to break out with itching sores. I doctored him, but as soon as I got them healed up in one place they would break out in another. I was almost in despair. I could not get anything that would help him. Then I began to use Cuticura Soap and Cuticura Ointment, and after using them three times, the sores commenced to heal. He is now well, and not a scar is left on his body. They have never returned nor left him with bad blood, as one would think. Cuticura Remedies are the best I have ever tried, and I shall highly recommend them to any one who is suffering likewise. Mrs. William Geeding, 102 Washington St., Attica, Ind., July 22, 1907."

The Mean Man Again.

"Come on, son," said the old farmer, after the daybreak breakfast, "and we'll get out in the fields and start plowing."

"But I can't plow to-day," protested the youngster, "I have chills. Why, dad, I am shaking all over."

The old farmer grinned and took a fresh chew.

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