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ON THE WING.

EDITOR BAIRD STAR:
Some things I have seen and know I thought I would write you, Mr. Editor, in order that your readers may have another letter to read in your valuable paper. I have been taking some dots as I flew around, and I like to write what I see and know to other folks so they can become informed about county news.

First I like your county and its people, have mixed and mingled with as good people in Callahan county as I ever knew anywhere.

One thing surprised me and that was the attack your Deep Creek reporter made on the people of Baird about the revival and closing up business for preaching. He must have been suffering with pain in the head or liver. I think the people of Baird, or elsewhere, do right in honoring God by closing up business while ministers and other christian people are trying to get men and women to do better and lead a more religious life, and if your honorable reporter had a knowledge of the true christianity which he seems to condemn, he would not have written so harshly against the people who claim to possess the religion of Christ. First he calls them self patented followers of Christ. I confess I do not know what he means by the phrase "self patented" as the phrase is perfectly inconsistent with reason and common sense. The idea of anything or anybody getting a patent on its self, or themselves, is without meaning (as I understand the term). But then I suppose my friend intends to make light of the idea of there being such a thing as true christian religion.

I want to say that if there was no such thing as the christian religion my friends life and property would be in jeopardy, and he could not set down at night in a safety and feel sure his property would remain undisturbed and unmolested.

Again I wonder whom it is that has been supporting my friend in his business, and helping him to carry on

business since he has been in this country. I dare say more than one half of his customers have been among the people who profess to be christians and profess to be followers of Christ.

Oh, well to be plain and short I do not believe that any intelligent man doubts the truthfulness of the Christian religion, and I am not accusing my friend of so doing, but I do think he was too hard on those who claim to be religious and followers of Christ and among whom he expects to make his home and keep up his business.

Then he says "Saints of Baird" I do not suppose any Bairdite makes any claim of being a saint.

I want to say I am not a Bairdite, but it has always been my lot take off for the bottom fellow, and to pull off for the top man. That's the reason I take up for christianity and the Bairdites, for my friend seems to be upon them with both feet, pounding them over the head with his unfriendly criticism and cutgel. But enough on this line. Everything is lovely and the goose hangs high and religious and christian people are on top and will remain so as long as God and the Bible is on their side, and all the defenders of christianity and the Bible are not dead.

If this does not jump into the waste basket I'll give you some news next time. I am in deep sympathy with an editor and would like to help him (if he will allow) to fill up his columns as I have sometimes done in former days with other editors. HOSKINSOUT.

NOTICE.

After Saturday, Feb. 8th, we will only print on the Second and Fourth Saturday in each month.

FOR THE EDITOR.

MONEY FOUND.

County Clerk W. W. DUNSON found some money in the Court House Wednesday; owner can get same by calling on him and describing the money. C. B. BAIRD.

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CLYDE FOTES.

Feb. 11.—A ballroom meeting is now in progress in this town, conducted by Eeva Walker and Mennwitz of Abilene. Quite a good deal of interest is being manifested.

Our town is improving. A Mr. Smith from Comanche county will put up a gin soon. Another gentleman will erect a new store house and put in a good stock of dry goods.

The work on the new Baptist church is progressing nicely, and ere long it will be finished.

Several farmers have made substantial improvements during the winter. Among them are Messrs. Miller, Geo. Darder, Crutchfield and Davidson. All seem to be in high spirits and flattering prospects for crops and farm work is being pushed.

Our school is progressing nicely under the able management of Prof. Jackson and his estimable and accomplished wife. In teaching, ability, school government and discipline the teachers cannot be excelled in West Texas. We only wish that we had money enough to keep them another year. They have surely laid the foundation for a good graded school here in the future. This can be done, however, only after we get a new school building—the present one being inadequate for the over crowded school. The teachers inform us that they have enrolled eighty-five pupils, which is equal to the entire scholastic enrollment. This is the best record at this place for years.

The timbered country around Clyde is settling up rapidly and it will not be long until we will have a town that will rival Baird (?)

Politics seem to be dead, but when the sun comes out and the grass begins to grow, they will doubtless begin to crawl and stick.

If I see this in print, I may come again. OLD MAN.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodges visited Mrs. Hodges parents Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wilson, last week.

Go to T. J. Dean's for cheap groceries, laces, tinware and racket goods, cheap for cash. Give him a trial. 101F

Mrs. R. J. Harris came in Sunday from Big Springs, where she has been visiting her daughter Mrs. Robinson.

Herman Schwartz and G. W. (Dock) Jones returned last Friday from Houston where they went to attend the Grand Lodge.

Mike Wyatt hitched up his horse Sunday evening to take his family out driving. He concluded that he would drive around a bit before he took Mrs. Wyatt and child in the buggy, to see if his horse which had not been worked for sometime, was safe. He requested Jack Jones to take a seat in the buggy with him which he did and they started out south on the Belle Plaine road. Down at the railroad crossing the horse became frightened at the switch engine and Jack J. concluded it was safest to get out and lead the critter across the track. They got across alright but the horse concluded that one passenger was all he wanted and he lit out with Mike leaving Jack Jones standing in the road as he viewed the rapid flight of Mike, horse and vehicle. Round and around they capered down in the fat near August Horn's. Finally the buggy upset and Mike went to grass in the usual style in such cases, and the horse by this time no doubt becoming tired of the buggy as well as the driver left the outfit altogether. Mike escaped with only a few slight bruises, and the buggy was damaged very little. Those who witness "Low Price," say it was fast.

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W. A. GILLILAND, Editor and Proprietor



Slowly but surely nature itself is settling the silver question. So why should democrats fall out about it?

About the only split there will be in the democratic party this year will be that a few of the gold standard democrats like George Clark may split their throats trying to convince the country that they are the only true democrats in the state.

When silver at 16 to 1 gets to be worth as much as one dollar in gold the gold men say they will then not object to its coinage. Very good. Why not join in and help make it worth a dollar, not by fiat, but by increasing the value by increasing the demand for silver.

Sometime ago THE STAR gave Max R. Andrews a little complimentary notice on his appointment to the editorial staff of the Taylor County News. Week before last he copied same in his paper and credited it to the Colorado Times. If Dick Lively don't kick we suppose we ought to be satisfied.

The Austin Statesman, the chief flegman of the gold standardists in Texas talks about the sovereign rights of the people. She troubles with the Statesman and its followers they seem to be afraid to submit the question to the sovereigns in a way to get a full and complete expression of the sovereign will.

The following democrats have announced themselves as candidates for congress from this district: J. H. Callahan, Eastland; W. B. Piemmons, Amarillo; Holman, Seymour; Judge Bowman, Big Springs. Many others have been mentioned as probable candidates among them: Geo. F. W. James, Baird; E. K. Leggett, S. P. Hardwick, John Bowyer, Abilene; Juan S. Hart, editor El Paso Times; W. P. Sebastian, Breckinridge.

Hardy says the committee's action is practical politics but he don't like it. The action of the Dallas convention in adopting the platform was practical politics and secured by methods among them. Geo. F. W. James, Baird; E. K. Leggett, S. P. Hardwick, John Bowyer, Abilene; Juan S. Hart, editor El Paso Times; W. P. Sebastian, Breckinridge.

Had the seven stubborn sound money voters in the Kentucky legislature voted for Blackburn at one time last week he would have been re-elected. They refused to do so and Kentucky will very likely see a republican senator from that state. Is that according to instructions from Washington you suppose? If this spirit is to prevail the administration forces will be able to defeat all candidates in close contests when they cannot dictate the nomination.

Because other nations have a gold standard is no reason why the United States should have the same standard. Gold passes for its bullion value in paying foreign debts, consequently it makes no difference what the United States says it is worth. The weight and fineness alone count in foreign mints and the stamp of the government does not add to or take from the gold or silver one particle of value. This shows the absurdity of all this talk about money that is good all over the world. There is no such a thing as international money. If the United States was to stamp a \$20 gold slug and call it \$10 it would not effect its value in a foreign country, the gold slug would still be \$20 though Uncle Sam says it is only \$10. So if Uncle Sam was to call a twenty dollar note a five it would not effect its value in foreign countries, the note would still be twenty dollars, not five.

From present indications there is lots of fun ahead in Texas politics this year.

Hardy's committee meets in Galveston to-day and we will know by next week whether it is to war between the two factions in the Texas democracy.

The populist seem to be the only happy people in Texas. Just like them; when every one else is miserable the populist are bound to be happy. Like Wilkins Macawber they live on glorious expectations, politically, and are always looking for something to turn up.

We imagine when the farmers of the United States come to realize that "land is the heritage of all the people" and not those who hold the title deeds to their homes they will begin to realize what populism means. The above quotation is from the populist national and state platforms.

Six years ago George Clark was the most eloquent exponent of free silver in Texas. He denounced Cleveland and the northern wing of democracy in the most bitter terms, and wanted to knock every one out en masse who did not agree with him. He has swapped sides and to-day he is denouncing his old friends and supporters who cannot turn their coats, politically, as he did, as statist, populist in disguise, etc.

When you ask a democrat what he thinks about the action of the democratic executive committee at Austin last week and he says: "I am highly pleased just the thing I wanted, Hurrah for democracy." You need not ask him how he stands on the silver question. He is a straight free silver democrat. But if he looks sour and says: "The whole thing was a fraud. They have repudiated the national platform and I'm as blanky, blank blanked if I care if the whole thing is gobbled up by the populist or Dan Stuart and his carnival gang." Ask him no more, he is a gold bug.

The following gentlemen have been announced as candidates for various positions in the pop party, viz: W. H. Lockett, attorney general; H. L. Bentley, district judge; J. B. Webb, representative in state legislature; and H. C. Joiner, district attorney. They did not announce themselves, oh no, that would never do, but they just whispered to some friends to get the dear people to ask them to nominate themselves. If the populist knew that these men were seeking (?) a nomination with all their might they would kick them out. They are not seeking (?) the nomination, but they are only getting others to do it for them and the populist will be satisfied with this little deception. The office seeks the man, and the band plays Annie Laurie and the boys at the forks of the creek bare all the buttons of their suspenders yelling for the candidates they brought out.

The Dallas News and other ultra gold standardists are trying to make it appear that there is a preconcerted move on the part of the silverites to control the party in the south by calling only one convention in the different states. From the actions of the sound money democrats in Kentucky, Texas and elsewhere it looks more like there was a concerted movement upon the part of the administration democrats to defeat the democratic party wherever they are not allowed to control. If this policy is carried out in Texas they may be able to defeat a majority of the democratic candidates for the legislature in this state, though we do not believe they will be able to defeat Cuberson, who seems to be the special object of their attacks. The returns show that many of the legislative districts are very close and if this internal warfare is kept up, the populist and republicans will have a majority in the next house of representatives.

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EVENTS OF THE COMING YEAR

The coming year will be a period memorable in the history of the world, if but a part of the plans of the United States Government and European nations is carried out. In the United States there will be the liveliest presidential campaign ever held, and the Fifty-fourth Congress, now in session, will furnish exceedingly interesting debates on the tariff and financial questions until June. There will be several exciting State elections, and many great political speeches. Everyone will watch with interest the progress of the Venezuela Commission's inquiry, the results of the wars in Cuba, in South Africa, in Turkey, and the outcome of other complications now arising in the old world.

It is a remarkable coincidence that at the beginning of a year of such promise of stirring news the greatest metropolitan newspaper in the United States—The St. Louis Republic—should reduce its price to \$6.00 a year, or to less than two cents a day. This low price now places The Republic within reach of everyone. Those who wish to keep posted on politics, trade, national and international affairs during 1896 should at once subscribe for it on these easy terms, in addition to taking their own local paper.

Newspaper readers who may think they cannot afford to take a metropolitan daily paper should at least subscribe for The St. Louis Republic—101 papers a year—for only \$1.00 a year. It contains the best of everything that appears in the daily.

BIOGRAPHICAL.

J. B. Andrews the evangelist was born in Tennessee thirty-six years ago, but his parents moved to Alabama when he was a little child, hence he is a native of Tennessee, but raised in Alabama. He is a railroad man and telegraph operator by profession and followed railroading until he began preaching. He is a married man with seven children, all girls, but one according to his own statement. About six years ago he began preaching in out of the way churches and school houses. His success as a revivalist began to spread abroad and he had numerous calls to hold meetings in towns and cities. About two years ago he concluded to devote his entire time to evangelical work. The revival conducted by him in Baird fully demonstrates his power as a revivalist. His earnestness and hard faithful work in the "Master's cause" is acknowledged and appreciated by all. There were about 120 conversions at the late revival here and all the churches received numerous seasons. The last work he did in Baird was to raise money to organize a Young Men's Christian Association. The young men are taking hold of the matter in earnest and if they will stick to it will be a grand thing for the cause of religion and morality in our life city.

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No. 4	Abilene	11:10 a.m.
No. 6	Abilene	1:30 p.m.
No. 10	Abilene	4:30 p.m.

WEST BOUND.

No. 3	Abilene	7:40 a.m.
No. 5	Abilene	10:00 a.m.
No. 7	Abilene	12:30 p.m.
No. 9	Abilene	3:30 p.m.
No. 11	Abilene	6:30 p.m.

MAILS.

TOMATO, COTTONWOOD, CADDO PEAR CROSS PLAINS.

Leaves	Abilene	5 A. M.
Arrives	Tomato	5 P. M.
Leaves	Tomato	5 P. M.
Arrives	Abilene	10 P. M.

TECUMSEH AND EAGLE COVE.

Leaves	Abilene	8 A. M.
Arrives	Abilene	6 P. M.

LOCAL NEWS.

For a good lunch go to J. P. Cross' Cliff McManis was in the city Sunday.

The Baptist parsonage is nearing completion.

Mrs. Mary Glover is visiting Miss Sarah Turfitt.

Alden Bell made flying trip to Abilene this week.

Mrs. Seogins is having her dwelling house repaired.

Will Boydston returned from St. Louis last Friday.

A load of wood is needed very much at the Star office.

E. M. Norton, from Cottonwood was in the city Monday.

Otis Hayes made a business trip to Ranger one day last week.

Miss Annie Craig of Belle Plaine spent this week in the Hub.

T. L. Oliver & Co. are having the front of their store repaired.

Boaz Ivy, the constable from Cottonwood was in the city Monday.

Leonard Farmer, from Cross Plains was in the city will return Tuesday.

I must have what is owing to me. So take heed, Ellis Richardson, 10 if

The finest line of candies in Baird at J. P. Cross' Confectionery Shop, 10

Henry I. Buchen was in the city Tuesday and made a call at the Star office.

Misses Jennie Husting and Lizzie Douglas were visiting Miss Ada Cook this week.

My friend, your butcher bill is long past due at City Meat Market. Come in and pay it. 10 if

R. Bradford, from Cross Plains was in the city Monday and renewed his subscription to the Star.

Misses Sallie Fox and Lora Cunningham from Putnam were pleasant callers at the Star office Monday.

S. F. Bond who worked for T. E. Powell last fall, was in the city Monday and subscribed for the Star.

I have opened up a first-class confectionery shop and lunch counter and ask a share of your patronage. J. P. Cross, 10 if

If you owe me any thing come in and pay it so I can pay my bills. This is for you, not the other man. Ellis Richardson, 10 if

ANNOUNCEMENT RATES.

The price of announcements for candidates for 1896 is for county judge, county clerk, sheriff, county treasurer and tax assessor \$30 each. For all other county candidates \$5 per cent, \$2.50 tickets \$1 for each name extra on democratic ticket only.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOURDI-T. AND CO. CLERK.
W. W. DUNSON.
(Subject to the action of the Dem. Primary.)

FOR COUNTY TREASURER.
T. B. HOLLAND.

DOCTOR BILLS.
All persons who owe me for professional services are earnestly requested to settle at once. R. G. POWELL 10 if

\$10 LOST.
Last Monday evening somewhere between Wm and Price's wagon yard Finder will be rewarded by leaving at this office for owner.
Mrs. Tom Burns.

NOTICE.
I hereby notify all persons not to remove any wood, dead or green, off the Denton and Hancock sections of land. All persons so trespassing will be prosecuted. W. E. KILLEN, Agent.

STRAYED.
One red, white faced yearling bull, branded J. O. on left side. Any information as to his whereabouts will be thankfully received by
G. W. STRATTON, Belle Plaine, or the Star office. 10 2

NOTICE.
The accounts of James & Johnson have been placed in my hands for collection. All knowing themselves indebted to said firm will please call at my office, settle and save costs. 9 4
ARTHUR TOKER.

NOTICE.
A protracted meeting of Liberty Baptist church at Cottonwood will commence on the fourth Sunday in July, 1895. Bro. A. A. Hester and D. W. Matthews have been invited and are expected to take part in the meeting. By order of Committee.

EXCURSIONS.
For the meeting of the Southern Lumber Manufacturers Association to be held at Memphis, Tenn. Feb 18th to 21st a rate of one fare to Texasarkans added to rate of \$2.25 from that point will apply from all stations in Texas. Tickets on sale Feb. 16, 17, & 18th.

MONEY TO LOAN.
I can get you 40 per cent of a reasonable cash value on good land improved or unimproved. I have some very cheap good lands for sale, on time, also farms for rent at Virgo Switch and near Abilene and several good saddle and work horses for sale on time. A. G. WEBB, 8 4

ANNOUNCEMENT.
BAIRD STAR.
Please announce that Rev. T. C. Boykin will hold a Sunday School Institute at the Baptist church beginning on Monday night after the third Sunday, Feb. 17th. The Sunday School has been closed by the death of Mr. Boykin's life work and he will no doubt make the Institute interesting to all who attend. Every body invited to attend this Institute, be sure to come and learn all you can about Sunday School work. J. L. MAYES, 9 2
Pastor of Baptist Church.

R. A. St. John, of Cottonwood, was in town Thursday.

J. C. Walker, of Putnam, was in town yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Peters visited in Abilene last week.

Rev. De. Ford will preach at the Cumberland church, Saturday night, Sunday, a. m. and at night.

Henry Miller and family and Miss Sallie Lambert, were in town Monday.

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Join the big rush as Powell's 47
See Kavanagh's ad in this issue. 2
All accounts are past due and all parties owing to us will please come in and settle up at once, as we are needing money very bad. Vaughn & Co. 2 if

Kavanagh makes locket pictures
For real bargains go to Stern's. 8 1 if
Boys had to finish T. E. Powell 47
Go to Mike Sigal's for pure leather. 5 1 if
Twenty-five per cent off each on clothing. Powell, 9 1 if
See Powell's cut rates on clothing Ad last page. 9 1 if
Kavanagh is the best photographer in the west. 2 if
Remember Mike Sigal is still in the butcher business. 2 if
Furniture and collars at Stern's, H. Schwartz, manager. 8 1 if
The best meat in town at Mike Sigal's Meat Market. 2 if
Onion sets cheaper than we ever known at J. Norton's. 7 1 if
Nice line of stone ware, jugs, crocks and churns. H. Meyer. 4 2 if
Have you tried the Bologna sausage at the City Meat Market? 4 1 if
Kavanagh guarantees all work to be first-class in every way. 2 1 if
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ORGAN CONTEST.

HOW TO OBTAIN VOTES AND FOR WHOM TO VOTE.

DEEP CREEK DOTS.
February 13.—Cottonseed is moving freely to market every day passing from six to twelve wagons. The local cattlemen are after it also and Maj. Sam Catbirt hauled 250 bushel the other day from the Dawkins place.

Joe Matthew's gin wound up the ginning season last Monday. Grinding will be done as heretofore.

The bulk of the cotton crop is marketed long ago and there are not more than twenty bales in the hands of the producer in this precinct. Holding over for higher prices was this year like usually the wrong policy.

Connection by telephone would be a very good thing and is even a necessity if we consider the distance of Cotwood and Cross Plains from Baird. But I once figured a little about the cost and believe it will be hard work to raise the shekels. Another question: will the patronage pay the running expenses supposed that the capital should be donated?

Hurray for W. W. Dunson the new candidate who braced up first to submit his name to the voters. Others will follow now quick and thick, but let me say here again that if there is any office I should prefer a longer term for it is the clerk's office. It takes months and months for even the most qualified man to master all the details of the office and get acquainted with all the interior workings, and therefore you give no full and fair show to any incumbent during the first term. Further books of such importance like the books of deeds and records should be kept by the same officer as long as possible, of course supposed that he gives satisfaction.

L. N. Jackson sold the Stokes place again and Messrs. Bill Malby and Clark Smith are the purchasers.

I am glad to learn that Baird furnished the G. M. for the old reliable order of Odd Fellows and I am moral to see that Herman Schwartz the accomplished high dignitary still talks with common mortals as before.

Capt. Malby is busy starting a first class orchard for Mr. Anson down on the Jim Ned.

Married.—On the 11th inst. by Squire J. I. Rawson, of Belle Plaine, Mr. Will Haley and Miss Maggie Preston. No cards no cakes.

Every true democrat should be with you Mr. Editor in your manly fight with the third party. It is very appropriate to remember those gentlemen who clamor for reform how mean tricks they played two years ago. Third party men went to the democratic primaries and voted for democratic candidates and when election day came they were on the other side. Third party candidates issued that fraudulent "democrat" ticket and tried to smuggle it into the polls—places to catch the unsuspecting. That was what made primaries and election a disgusting affair in the eyes not only of every straight democrat but of every honest citizen and voter.

It is a pity that we have party-line even in the election of our county officers. There are good men that I men fully able to fill the offices among the rank and file of every party and in my opinion the governing question about a candidate should only be: Is he able to fill the office and is he deserving the office? Instead of putting these deciding questions we ask: To what party does he belong and is he able to carry the party vote?

Are there not enough good and true citizens in this county to get rid of the party-line and elect for the county-offices men who will represent their party-standing just on account of their merits?

Of course we democrats will not forget that the fight was forced on us and that the party-line in regard to county-offices was first drawn by the populists. If the fight must be again on this line—and it looks that way—then it would not hurt us to begin to rustle and to organize. While the third party kept up the county and the precinct organization and never closed their eyes the democratic executive did do nothing and it seems is going to continue its sleep until the awakening is too late. We need fresh active blood among the party-officers or the shameful spectacle will be repeated that democratic party-officers scratch the democratic ticket. H. B.

Gen. F. W. James went to New York sometime ago and the last we heard of him he was snowed in up there.

As heretofore announced the STAR offers a handsome prize organ to the most popular young lady in Callahan County to be decided by the subscribers of THE STAR to be held on the program printed in each copy of THE STAR, etc.

WHO ARE ELIGIBLE CANDIDATES. ANY young unmarried lady living in Callahan County (except member of the editors own family).

HOW TO GET COUPONS. 1st. Every subscriber can get one coupon each week out of THE STAR from now until contest closes.

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Old subscribers will be allowed 20 coupons on each dollar paid on old account or for renewal since Jan. 1, 1896. A special certificate will be given subscribers for premium votes to save time in counting and the necessity of giving one coupon for each vote.

REMEMBER NOW, no one is entitled to any votes as a premium who paid on subscription prior to Jan. 1st. But this offer dates from and after Jan. 1st, 1896. We gave the Gazette as a premium to all subscribers between Sept. 1st and Jan. 1st, 1896, and no circumstances will be allowed premium coupons on subscription paid prior to Jan. 1, 1896.

3rd. To every subscriber living out of the county we will give 15 votes as a premium. Name your insurance. We give 20 votes for each yearly subscription of \$1.00 in the county and 10 out of the county. The cash must accompany the order in every instance. To be plain about it our object is to increase the circulation of THE STAR in the county by securing cash subscribers.

We will select three disinterested persons to count the votes, and will guarantee satisfaction and impartiality in giving the result. No one in any way connected with this office will be allowed to vote in the contest. So far as we are concerned we guarantee two things: First to conduct the contest fairly and impartially, and second, award the organ to the young lady receiving the highest number of votes.

Read the instructions carefully and send in your votes whenever you desire. Nomination for candidates is now in order. Make communications brief and to the point when intended for publication. W. H. GILLILAND, Editor & Proprietor.

ORGAN CONTEST. The name of each candidate and number of votes each has received up to 10 o'clock of going to press each Friday evening will be published weekly in this column.

CANDIDATES. VOTES. Nellie Phillips, Baird, 257; Ella Bishop, Putnam, 207; Lolla Lee, Clyde, 96; Laura Ella Lambert, Pease Bayou, 80.

ORGAN CONTEST NOTES. Credit Miss Nellie Phillips with 20 more votes. Arnold & Smoaks.

W. T. Wheeler nominates Miss Ella Bishop as Putnam's candidate in the organ contest. Mr. Wheeler informs us that Miss Bishop is an orphan, and a worthy young lady, and he thinks all the Putnam people will rally to her support.

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SOCIALISM.
"Tom Watson, of Georgia, declares that it is alarmed at the growth of socialism in the populist party, and that if it cannot be cured of this vice he will have to leave it."—Dallas Daily News, January 30.

Webster defines Socialism to be "a social state in which there is a community of property among all the citizens; a new name for agrarianism." The same authority defines "Agrarianism" to be "an equal division of lands or property or the principles of those who favor such a division."

Under such a policy the rich would become poor and the poor would not become rich. No wonder that the brilliant Tom Watson, of Georgia, should utter this sentiment. The only wonder is that he ever joined his political fortunes with those who dare to advocate such doctrine in this country. But out of deference to the intelligence and patriotism of many of the good men of the populist party, we must say that we don't believe that many of them endorse any such sentiment. We give Watson due credit for raising the danger signal.—Wentworth Republic.

Populism is drifting toward socialism just as sure, and much swifter than it drifted from government control to government ownership of railroads in this state. Every one of their leaders know, this and most of them are doing all they can to bring about that result. If Tom Watson does not believe in socialism now he will later on or will pretend he does, or he will have to get out of the populist party.

Hon. R. H. WARD of Austin, member of the 21th legislature, will be a candidate for re-election, and is elected as a Democratic legislature in effect and in name. He is a candidate for speaker. In commenting on various members of the 24th to a reporter of the Houston Post, he had this to say about Kaufman's old war horse: "Major Bumpass, the venerable farmer, feeble and high salary fighter of Kaufman county, tells me he is coming back to be re-elected, and he promises to make it rehot in Austin next winter. Major Bumpass is a ware old bird, and the boys never could catch him snapping." That's right. There wasn't a safer representative there—Kaufman Sen.

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