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## Partisan Blindness.

The following was sent out from Washington by some old party correspondent to the daily press:

It looks now as if the postoffice scandal would become one of great magnitude. For years the Postoffice department has been free of scandal of any kind, and when anything was whispered of any other branch of the government one would hear such expressions as this: "Well, the government can be run honestly. Look at the Postoffice department. You hear of no scandal there. Everything is on its merits," etc. Whenever a political speaker wished to bring an argument to bear in favor of governmental ownership of railroads, coal mines, or plants of any kind, he painted the ideal picture of how the Postoffice is run as a shining example of what the government could do in other cases. We probably will not hear from these people for some little time to come.

Now, this Smart Alec thinks he has struck a deathblow to a just and feasible method of government. Wonder why he has never found anything rotten in private ownership, or in corporate ownership, or in other government controlled institutions, such as the public schools, the army, the navy, etc.

If this wiseacre intends to argue that the Postoffice system should be taken out of the hands of the government because a few thieves have been put in the department by a party of this correspondent's way of thinking, pray whose hands would he put it into? Where there has been a dollar stolen through the Postoffice system, there have been hundreds, yea, thousands stolen by private and corporate plunderers. Such articles are written to prejudice unthinking people. Wonder if he heard of S. B. Elkins, who is now being sued for a fee of \$500,000 due some lawyers for furnishing him information whereby he enriched the Western Maryland road out of millions? Received his millions, now seeking to beat his advisors who helped him to steal it! Perhaps this correspondent would prefer turning over the postal system to a man like that.

Or, perhaps, if he does not want it to go into a single individual's hands, a corporate gang like the St. Louis street railway companies would suit him better, who have bought up officials there by the score, some of whom are already convicted of penitentiary crime and others who should be.

Then again, he might turn it over to the baking powder outfit that bought up ten Missouri state senators and the lieutenant-governor. Even the senatorial records were doctored.

The governor of Arkansas is now under charge of beating the state out of \$12,500 in the purchase of a convict farm, and an appointee of ex-Governor Sayers in the penitentiary management in Texas, beat the State out of some \$100,000. Why don't these fellows, by the same reasoning, advocate some other than state control of penitentiaries? State treasurers by the dozen have defaulted and bank cashiers by the hundred have absconded with millions in the aggregate, but they are not mentioned.

While these fellows seek to cast odium on public ownership and slurringly point to this instance of crookedness in the postal affairs, they are as mum as oysters as to a

better method of conducting the system. The fact is there is no better method, nor as good, and not one of them would be in favor of a change, unless they would obtain the exclusive business and be free to filch from the public what they saw fit.

## Money In Chickens.

J. W. Odell of Gypsum is in town today and tells us about the fine luck he is having in raising chickens. He is using an incubator in a dugout and keeps his hens laying as much as possible. This reminds us that Lampasas has been built up mainly on chickens and eggs, and that a special train to carry spring chickens is run from there. We have as good a chicken country as they have, and as long as spring chickens, the size of your fist, will bring 35 cents apiece there is big money in it.—Quanah Tribune.

An increase in freight rates has been looked for for some time, but it was announced from Austin Tuesday that a majority of the members of the Railroad Commission were opposed to granting the application of Texas railroads for an increase. Commissioner O. B. Colquitt publicly announced his position on the subject a few days ago. Commissioner Allison Mayfield has made a written indorsement upon the application for the increase, which reads as follows: "This application should be refused." It has been reported that Chairman L. J. Story favors a hearing being held before the Railroad Commission for the purpose of considering the application of the roads for an increase in rates, but he has made no public expression on the subject.

Considerable excitement exists at Vernon over the indications for oil in Wilbarger county. A well was sunk to a depth of 300 feet in the Ronda settlement, about 20 miles southwest of Vernon and a stratum of oil-bearing sand was struck. A company is being organized to sink another well, and it is believed that a good quality of oil will be found. Experts claim that oil will be struck in paying quantities in a great portion of Wilbarger county.

In answering certified questions in the case of the State of Texas vs. the Laredo Ice company et al, appeal from Webb county, the Supreme Court at Austin held that the anti-trust act of 1899 is constitutional. The defendants contended that the affidavit feature of the act is unconstitutional and the court held that even if that part of the act were unconstitutional it would not invalidate the act.

Texas ranks first in the production of cattle and should have a grand cattle exhibit at the St. Louis World's fair. In the State can be found cattle good enough to compete with any on earth and the feed is here to put them in the best possible condition.—Texas Stockman.

E. E. Cardwell, at Houston, is suing the Southern Pacific road for \$35,000. He alleges the company employed him 14 years ago at \$165 per month for a period of 20 years. Two years ago they discharged him. Now he sues for the full salary for the unexpired period of eight years.

## Crop Report.

The government crop report, issued Tuesday noon, says: While the condition of winter wheat continues very promising, a slight deterioration is indicated over the central and eastern portions of the wheat belt as a result of excessive moistures and low temperatures. Rust and insects have appeared in Southern Missouri and in Nebraska and portions of Kansas and the crop would be benefitted by rain.

In the Missouri and Central Mississippi valleys oat seeding has been well advanced, but in the Ohio valley much seeding remains to be done. Germination of the early sown seed in Michigan, Wisconsin and Illinois has been unsatisfactory. In Texas the crop is such that much rain is needed.

East of the Mississippi early cotton has been injured by cold and much replanting will be delayed. Planting in this part of the cotton belt has progressed rapidly, except in Mississippi, whereas in the districts west of the Mississippi, planting, although well advanced, has been largely suspended during the past week on account of the drouth.

The past week has been very unfavorable to fruit in the states east of the Mississippi river, frosts being general on the 23rd and 24th.

## Page Jailed For Contempt.

Editor Page, of the Bonne Terre Star, and C. N. Hickox, of California, who changed \$1000 and \$500 bills, respectively in Jefferson City, Mo., while the legislature was in session, were imprisoned in the Cole county jail on the charge of contempt Monday.

Both Hickox and Page refused to tell the grand jury how they came into possession of bills of such large denomination.

In ruling on the question Judge Hazel said it was clear that neither Hickox nor Page could have accepted bribes as they were not members of the house or senate nor did they hold any official position, therefore to answer the questions asked by the grand jury would neither incriminate nor subject either to a criminal prosecution.

## Tom Johnson Not a Candidate.

In reply to a letter relative to his running for President, Tom Johnson wrote the following to a Kansas City man:

"Replying to your favor of the 17th inst., permit me to say that I think my field of usefulness is right here in this city, and at most in the state of Ohio, and I must condemn any movement such as you speak of as both unwise and undesirable.

"The mere talk about nominating me in 1904 is a positive injury to what I am trying to accomplish here, and it seems to me too bad to interfere with work that is bearing such good fruit. I do hope you, as a friend of mine, will discourage this in every way possible.

"I am grateful to you for your kind words, but believe that on reflection you will agree with my conclusion."

## Very Likely.

The face of Grover Cleveland and brief sketches of his public career may be seen in nearly all Eastern Democratic papers. Is there a Cleveland literary bureau hidden away somewhere in a big office building in New York?—Fort Worth Register.

## Teachers' Certificates.

Under the new law teachers' examinations will be held on the first Friday and Saturday in May, September and December of each year. Third grade certificates are valid for one year on 70 per cent average; second grade certificates valid for three years on average of 75 per cent, or for five years on average of 85 per cent; first grade certificates valid for four years on average of 75 per cent, or for six years on average of 85 per cent. Summer normal certificates, either second or first grade, valid for four years, but if average of 85 per cent is made on examination, they shall be valid for six years. Certificates issued by the State Normal institutes will be valid for three years if second grade, and for six years if first grade. This law will be in force about the first of July, and will be in time for those who attend the summer normals to be benefitted, as a premium is placed on second grade normal certificates.—Ex.

## Washerwomen.

An Eastern paper says that in many of the fashionable New York houses the washerwoman has been superseded by the family washerman. He goes to the family for two or three days each week, as the case may be, washes and irons the family linen, and gets well paid for it. This, according to manager of a "new method" laundry on the West side, is because the washerman can get through more work in less time than the washerwoman, and also because the men in the family like the idea of having their shirts done at home. Then, if there is any fault to be found with torn buttonholes or designs ironed all crooked on a colored shirt, the grumbling can be done on the premises.

## Will Send Them to the Pen.

When Judge Bryant convened Federal court at Tyler Monday, his charge to the grand jury made special reference to violations of the United States revenue law in local option districts, and stated that where indictments are found and the evidence warranted a conviction, that he would send the parties convicted to the penitentiary, and that no light money and jail fine would go in his court.

## GENERAL NEWS.

Chas. H. Robb, Assistant Attorney for the Department of Justice, has been appointed Assistant Attorney General for the Postoffice Department to temporarily fill the place vacated by James N. Tyner.

A Lawton, Ok., grand jury returned fifteen indictments against parties for crookedness in their late election. Two are against Mayor William Turner for bribery and procuring unlawful voters at the last city election, and three against City Clerk Jacobs for procuring unlawful registration and unlawfully entering registration room.

Mena, Ark., sustained a fire loss of over \$50,000 Monday, the following buildings and plants being destroyed: The Cox warehouse, Laclede hotel, Adkisson home, Norton lumber yards, including 5 acres of stacked lumber, Hudgins flour mills and cotton gins, Harshman Donohue residences and six other homes. The total insurance amounts to \$10,000.

## How They Change Front.

The Republicans howled against irredeemable fiat silver dollars, but since they so howled they have retired the most of the treasury notes issued to buy silver and have coined silver dollars to take their place. The treasury notes commonly called Sherman notes, were redeemable in gold or silver as the holder might desire, but the silver dollars coined to take their place are simply the same old fiat irredeemable "fifty-cent" dollars.—Ex.



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GROVER CLEVELAND and President Roosevelt stood on the same platform at St. Louis Thursday. Since we come to think of it, the political platform which these gentlemen stand on is very much the same.

Gov. LANHAM is up against it again. The new appropriation bill, in its extravagance, exceeds the estimated revenue about \$100,000. The Legislature seems determined to put the State in the debt hole, or increase the people's taxes, and very likely it will result in both.

BETTER get you a Panhandle home before the further rush. The April foreign immigration to the United States will exceed 100,000, and the figures for the year promise to be record breaking. The news of our prosperity has been well spread over Europe.

A MISSOURI paper says: "The Supreme Court thought they had clipped the beef trust's wings, but it must have been mistaken. The price of beef is soaring again." The beef trust has doubtless adopted the Standard Oil Co. method of making the consumer pay all judgments and costs.

COMMITTEES from Floydada and Matador went to meet the surveyors now going in that direction prospecting for a railroad route to the Plains and give them all the information they could, and to interest them in their respective towns. The way to pluck the plum is to "go after it," and the town that sits still and does nothing these days deserves nothing.

It hardly looks reasonable that a man who teaches a Bible class in a metropolitan city would have such a mortal fear of his fellow man as to have a secret detective following at his heels on all occasions, even in his Sunday school. Yet, this is what Mr. John D. Rockefeller, jr., does. At last Sunday's session of the Bible class at the Fifth Avenue Baptist church, a stranger followed him up the aisle and took a seat in a pew near the front, where he sat in a position enabling him to command a free view of the entire class. The stranger was a detective. At the close of the session, when Mr. Rockefeller took up a position at the door of the lecture room and shook hands with each man as he passed out, the detective was close behind him and carefully scrutinized each person that approached.

SOME people, even some editors, seem to think that about the only sin that can be committed is being caught. The Fort Worth Register in speaking of Lieut. Governor Lee, says: "After the crooked work had been done, and his boast made good—though he got but little money out of it—he had to talk about his success, and a little too much of that talk got him and his friends into line for the grand jury. After that he kept on talking, till now nothing but the mercy of a court or the clemency of the governor may keep him from wearing striped clothes." Further on it says: "The man always ready with his tongue is never safe. He can say too much, and is apt to say it at the wrong time, or to the wrong man. Silence is golden—especially to a politician whose record cannot be safely told." We differ with the Register. If a man

is a criminal, it is a good thing for the public that he talks enough to cause his arrest and punishment. And it ill becomes any one to defend a man who commits a wrong simply because he is in the party, or to deplore the method in which his criminal acts were brought to light. Let the Register and all other papers condemn the man for doing wrong, instead of for not covering it up.

### STATE NEWS.

Business was opened yesterday over the International road into Fort Worth.

Oak Cliff anti-expansionists have been defeated. Judge Poindexter dissolved their injunction.

David C. Dodge has been appointed postmaster at Claude to succeed J. L. White, who will retire.

The contract for the two new public school buildings in Abilene has been let for the sum of \$17,800, and work will begin on same soon.

A grain house of J. J. Beckham, a vehicle warehouse of V. Wolverton and a residence of J. J. Williamson, at Mexia, were burned Tuesday.

A small boy at Celeste threw a lighted match in some lint cotton at the Barnard Stevens gin and the \$10,000 gin was in ashes in a short while. Insurance, \$5,000.

One hundred and fifty employes of the Southern Pacific shops were let out at Houston Wednesday. The company states it was necessary to decrease expenses.

A petition, signed by 250 men, has been filed with the county clerk asking the commissioners to order a prohibition election for Fannin county, at their next meeting in May.

E. A. Brumfelt, who lives in the eastern part of Ellis county, had a barn struck by lightning and burned several weeks ago. He built a new barn and a few days ago, during a rain storm, it was struck by lightning.

Frank Bowles, of Dallas and a member of the board of appraisal and appeals, was shot by John L. Hooter, a neighbor and saddler, Tuesday night. A family feud gave rise to the difficulty and Bowles is dangerously wounded.

At Paris Tuesday, Jim Wilson was sentenced to three years in the penitentiary for the murder of Monk Webb two years ago. Dart Miller alias J. M. Taylor, for making false affidavit to procure marriage license to marry a 14-year-old girl, was convicted and given two years.

Oscar Webb shot Buck Bryant at Garrett's Bluff, Lamar county, Monday. The trouble originated over some school children's talk. Webb was at the house of a man named Steele when Bryant came up. A quarrel ensued, in which Bryant was shot.

The last spike in the Texas and New Orleans railroad, connecting Dallas and Beaumont by an air line, was driven at noon Tuesday on the Mud creek bridge about midway between the two cities, with much ceremony. The line is about 275 miles long and was begun at Dallas 21 years ago under the chartered title of the Texas Trunk line.

J. C. Larue, an ex-Confederate, 72 years of age, was shot and mortally wounded at Texarkana Tuesday, by Napoleon McDaniel. The difficulty arose at one of the street shows over a 5c cigar. McDaniel has recently returned from the penitentiary, where he had been sent for life for wrecking a train. He served ten years and was pardoned.

### World's Fair Ceremonies.

Sixty thousand people crowded in the auditorium at the World's Fair grounds Thursday to witness the dedicatory ceremonies. With the country's foremost statesmen, soldiers and men of affairs as the chief actors and 500,000 citizens of the great Mississippi Valley region as the spectators, the first day's program of ceremonies attending the dedication of the Exposition was carried out under happy auspices. The day's doings, beginning with the brilliant military pageant in the forenoon and winding up with a pyrotechnic display of unprecedented grandeur, were on a scale of dignified splendor worthy of the Exposition and the great event it is intended to commemorate.

For the masses, the military parade was the feature of the day, as it was also a curtain raiser for dedicatory ceremonies. And such a parade. Never in the history of St. Louis, and only rarely in the history of the country, can an account be found of a more splendid military spectacle. Led by the famous Marine band of Washington, followed by the Exposition officials, the President and former president of the United States, members of the President's cabinet, foreign ambassadors and ministers, the governors of a score of states and innumerable other guests of distinction, the pageant certainly was a stirring sight, one calculated to move even the most sluggish blood to witness, and to quicken the flame of patriotism in every breast.

### Good Roads.

We give the following extracts from a speech of W. J. Bryan, made at St. Louis Tuesday, because they will apply here as well as anywhere:

"The expenditure of money for the permanent improvement of the common roads can be defended, first, as a matter of justice to the people who live in the country; second, as a matter of advantage to the people who do not live in the country; and third, on the ground that the welfare of the nation demands that the comforts of country life shall, as far as possible, keep pace with the comforts of city life. "It is a well-known fact, or a fact easily ascertained, that the people in the country, while paying their full share of county, state and federal taxes, receive as a rule only the general benefits of government, while the people in the cities have, in addition to the protection afforded by the government, the advantages arising out of the expenditure of public moneys in their midst.

"The improvement of country roads can be justified also on the ground that the farmer, the first and most important of the producers of wealth, ought to be in a position to hold his crop and market it at the most favorable opportunity, whereas at present he is virtually under compulsion to sell it as soon as it is matured, because the roads may become impassable at any time during the fall, winter or spring. Instead of being his own warehouseman, the farmer is compelled to employ middlemen and share with them the profit on his labor. The farmer has a right, too, to insist upon roads that will enable him to go to town, to the schoolhouse, and to the homes of his neighbors, as occasion may require, and with the extension of rural delivery he has an additional need for good roads in order that he may be kept in communication with the outside world.

"It is important for the welfare of our government and for the improvement of our civilization that we make life upon the farm as attractive as possible. Notwithstanding the introduction of free letter delivery, telephone, manufacturing plants and the extension of electric car lines, there still remains a pressing need for better country roads."

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No. 7, Passenger and Express.....	10:15 a. m.
SOUTH BOUND.	
No. 2, Mail and Express.....	7:15 a. m.
No. 8, Passenger and Express.....	6:55 p. m.

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**Notice.**

All notices for publication in this paper must be in the office by noon on Mondays and Fridays to insure publication in following issues.

**Local and Personal.**

It snowed in Amarillo Wednesday.

Shade Killian was in from Rowe trading Thursday.

Pat Powell, of Jericho, was in town yesterday trading.

The public school had a half-holiday yesterday.

J. W. McCune left Monday for a prospecting trip in Oklahoma.

Hear Brubaker lecture at the court house Monday and Tuesday nights.

District Attorney Bishop, of Claude, spent Tuesday in town on business.

The Methodist revival closed Wednesday night. There were about 14 conversions.

From what we can learn Donley county has had more rain than any section of the surrounding country.

Sam Anderson left Thursday for Tucumcari to look over the ground with a view of going into the hardware business at that place.

There was a suit in justice court yesterday in which P. A. Buntin sued Mathews for \$50 damage in pulling out a mule's tongue some time ago, and a suit by Mathews against Buntin for \$20 wages claimed. The jury gave a verdict in favor of Mathews, and Buntin's attorney gave notice of appeal.

Thursday evening Mrs. F. A. White and her baby escaped what might have been a tragedy, while starting a fire with coal oil. She poured on the oil and dropped in a lighted match, when the flash burst from the stove and burned the baby about the face, while it was standing immediately in front of the stove. It was first thought to be badly burned, but its injuries will soon be healed.

The Hereford boys who came down yesterday to be at the ball game and the oratorical contest are, John Herrod, Joe Clark, Wyth Biles, Elmore Sheffield, Sam Marshall, Gus Hubbert, Maple Daniels, Ed Dyer, Will Cissell, Alford Sadler, and Misses Mattie Fore and Clay McMahan. Prof. Rogers and Mr. H. A. Nelson are also here from Goodnight. Our forms were closed before the oratorical contest came off, hence we cannot give the result until Wednesday.

Chas. W. Watkins, of the Silverton Enterprise, stopped over in Clarendon Wednesday while on his way from Fort Worth, where he had been to purchase more equipment for his office. While here he was soliciting business from our merchants. He does not think Silverton's chance for a railroad is very good, but says they can have a good town without one.

The rain ended Wednesday with a norther and during the night the temperature dropped to 26 degrees and there was considerable ice Thursday morning. Early vegetables are killed, corn bit off and fruit damaged, but a good many people say that peaches are not all killed.

A revival meeting begins at the Baptist church tomorrow. The noted singer, Rev. A. B. Little, of Waco, will be here. Rev. Baten, of Amarillo, will likely be here to assist about the 9th or 10th.

Miss Amy Harding, who has been teaching school in Hutchison county near Adobe Walls, has finished her term and returned home Wednesday morning.

Top market prices at Fort Worth Thursday were: Steers, \$4.50; hogs, 6.80; cows, 3.00. Receipts were: Cattle, 595; hogs, 1118; sheep, 1627; calves, 23.

Mrs. R. S. Thompson, of Amarillo, accompanied by her two children, Bonita and Robert, is visiting Mrs. W. R. Silvey this week.

Mrs. J. Foster, who is mother of Mrs. J. B. Anthony, and her son, J. B. Foster, are here from Floyd county on a visit.

The band supper gross receipts was about \$35. The night was unfavorably cool for ice cream.

Don't fail to hear the noted speaker, Brubaker, at the courthouse Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. Elkins and family moved to their home, bought from Mr. Greenwood, Wednesday.

W. M. Hilderbrand returned yesterday from Paris. His mother has improved some.

School trustees are to be elected today. Go to the polls and vote your choice.

Mrs. J. N. Eddins left last night to visit relatives at Brownwood and San Angelo.

Mr. Gathings and J. M. Browder have bought the Cain property at \$4,750.

J. M. Clower returned yesterday from the K. of P. meeting at Fort Worth.

F. A. White attended the K. of P. meeting at Fort Worth this week.

W. M. Vaughan, of Oak Cliff, spent this week here on business.

In the ball game yesterday Clarendon beat Hereford by ten to six.

All kinds of repairing done at Anderson's shop.

The Globe Confectionery has fresh bread daily.

It is a fact that the Pullman sells the best cigars in town.

All kinds of models for patent rights made at Anderson's repair shop.

**Clarendon Storm Swept.**

Wednesday morning about two o'clock, a storm came up from the south that proved to be the most destructive Clarendon has ever had.

The heaviest loss is perhaps W. C. Morgan, living on a hill north of town, whose large barn was blown completely down; the structure was worth \$500 or more. H. W. Taylor's large tank and tower in the rear of his store and his windmill at his residence were blown down and badly broken. Conductor Harrington's windmill, tower, tank and barn were blown to pieces. Dilworth's 2-story barn was wrecked, as was Hill's blacksmith shop. The Banner-Stockman office was a frail box building with the sills badly decayed, and the walls separated from the floor and careened over and is unfit for use. The type in several cases was pried and the rain damaged the stock of paper. Lane's implement shed of sheet iron was partially unroofed, a good deal of it being blown on top of Taylor's hardware store, and flying pieces broke a glass in Rutherford's store front, Taylor's store front and two windows in the Masonic hall. Some 12 or 15 panels of the court yard fence were blown down. W. A. Caldwell's mill and tower were blown down.

So far as we can learn there was no damage done outside of town. The storm ended with a heavy rain and some hail.

S. W. Brown, of Gray county, was here several days this week.

On Wednesday Senator Faulk offered a resolution instructing the free conference committee to insert the nepotism clause that has been voted down in the House. The resolution was adopted.

Rain was pretty general through North Texas this week, reaching as far east as Paris and south as far as the Texas & Pacific, but it was not heavy anywhere.

A snowstorm throughout the Northwest was general Wednesday, snow being reported from Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, South Dakota, Kansas and even as far east as Wisconsin.

**Information of Boy Wanted.**

Any information as to the whereabouts of Lewis Graham, aged 15, fair complexion, large for age, wore a black hat and coat, dove-colored overalls and No. 7 lace shoes, will be thankfully received by W. A. Graham, Paloduro, Tex. Any officer seeing him please detain and send notice.

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The Texas World's Fair Commission at a recent meeting adopted a resolution declaring that unless \$100,000 shall be subscribed by July 1, the project will be dropped and all subscriptions which have been paid in will be returned. The Commission also asked the newspapers of the State to take up the matter and receive subscriptions, and feeling that Texas will miss a great opportunity if not represented at the great Fair, we willingly open our columns for this purpose, and will in this column acknowledge all receipts for this laudable purpose and see that it reaches the Commission's treasurer.

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CHRONICLE Correspondence.

Mesdames Moore and Turner went up to Clarendon Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Shelton spent the 21st visiting T. P. Shelton and wife near Rowe.

Mesdames Sadie and Georgie Akers went to Wellington the 24th to visit a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Williams, who have been visiting Judge Akers' family, returned to Greer county Friday.

Mr. Maulfair and Mr. Thaxton went to Memphis Wednesday.

Dr. Cooke, of Clarendon, was in Giles the 22nd on business.

Mrs. E. Cline arrived on the 27th from Texola, Ok. She is visiting her mother, Mrs. Coursey.

James Curtis came in Monday and went out to the Diamond Tail ranch.

Robert Rutledge was in town shaking hands with acquaintances.

The Sunday School Union picnic is to be held here May 16. The railway will give 1-fare excursion rates and committees have been appointed to fix up the grounds.

Miss Dessie Young and Mrs. Kelso went to Memphis Thursday.

Mr. Franks and Charley Crowe were callers in Giles Thursday.

Mrs. Jas. Merrell made a short visit in Clarendon Friday.

J. P. McKenzie went down to Kirkland Saturday and returned the same evening.

G. G. Willingham went up to Clarendon Friday and returned Saturday morning.

Jeff Mankins went through town the 23rd with a load of household furniture for A. Colman, who is moving to Collingsworth county so as to be near his children. Mr. Colman's health is poor.

NESTER.

**Local Option Law Stands Test of Highest Court.**

The Grayson county local option case has been finally settled. The Supreme Court of the United States has refused to interfere in the case as it now stands, declining to extend a restraining order against the county court, prohibiting a decree putting the local option law into effect. The only way now for further legal contest will be on a trial for violation of the law, and no point of law so far raised remains to be determined.

The special telegram to the Register from Washington last night, quoted above, tells the story. Taylor county is now under the law. After having tried every other means to stay it, the anti-prohibitionists asked the Supreme Court to interfere and were disappointed.

Sherman and Denison, both large cities, come under the law, and the saloons will have to close in both counties. The liquor men have made a determined fight, but there is no further ground for contest.—Fort Worth Register.

"O, mamma," exclaimed 3-year-old Margie the first time she saw hail falling, "come look — it's wainin' pills!"

Attend the National Assembly Cumberland Presbyterian church, Nashville, Tenn., May 21 to 29. One fare plus \$2 for the round trip, via the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf R.R.

**Special Train and Music for U. V. C.**

The Texas & Pacific R'y Co. will run a "Special Train" which will be accompanied by the Harris Juvenile Band, 25 in number, who will furnish music enroute. This special train will leave Fort Worth at 11:15 a. m. Monday, May 17, and Dallas at 12:30 p. m., arriving New Orleans next morning for breakfast.

Reduced round-trip rates will be in effect to New Orleans. For particulars address any agent of E. P. Turner, General Passenger Agent, Dallas, H. P. Hughes, Traveling Passenger Agent, Fort Worth.

**Reduced Rates.**

State Christian Endeavor convention, Temple, Texas, June 9 to 11, 1903.—For above occasion sale of round trip tickets authorized. Rate, \$13.25; selling dates, June 8, final limit to return, June 12, 1903.

State Volunteer Firemen's convention, Corsicana, Texas.—Rate, \$11.95 for round trip; selling dates, May 12, 1903; final limit to return, leave Corsicana not later than May 16, '03.

United Commercial Travelers of America, Austin, Tex., May 7, 8, 9.—Rate, \$15.65 for round trip; selling dates, train No. 2 May 6, 7, 1903; final limit, leave Austin not later than May 10, 1903.

Southern Baptist Convention, Savannah, Ga., May 7 to 14, 1903.—Rate, one fare plus \$2.25; selling dates, May 3, 4; limit, May 20, 1903.

Grand Council meeting, Red Men, Austin, Texas, May 12, 15, 1903.—Rate, \$15.65 for round trip; selling date, train No. 2, May 11, only; limit, May 16.

Annual meeting Square Bale Ginner's Association, Houston, Texas, May 5, 8, 1903.—Rate, \$18.20 for round trip; date of sale for train No. 2, May 4, only; limit, May 9.

Annual Convention Young People's Society Christian Endeavor.—One fare plus \$2 for round trip; selling dates, July 5, 6, 7; final limit, July 23, 1903. Stopover privileges will be allowed at Trinidad and north.

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Low rates by the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf R.R. for the National Assembly of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, to be held at Nashville, Tenn., May 21 to 29. Full information from Geo. H. Lee, G. P. A., Little Rock, Ark.

**Whitefish Locals.**

CHRONICLE Correspondence.

A nice rain fell Sunday night and Monday evening.

Parties are figuring on putting in a bank at McLean.

F. R. McCracken and family attended church at Alanreed Sunday.

Smith Stevens, of Amarillo, was down on Whitefish on business Monday.

Pearce Reeves was over from McLean Friday of last week on business.

Miss Johnnie Craig has returned from a few weeks' visit to her mother in the Indian Territory.

Prof. McNeal, who is teaching at the Peterson school house, passed through here Sunday on his way to Clarendon.

Quarterly conference was held with the Alanreed congregation Saturday and Sunday. Alanreed is much in need of a church building, as we don't believe in holding church and Sunday school in the same building that abominable dances are held in.

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**After The Tyler Bootleggers.**

There were four more convictions at Tyler Wednesday for violation of the local option law. In one instance an ex-saloonkeeper who had been convicted in one case, stated to the court that he desired to plead guilty in two other cases. His eyes were filled with tears and the scene has never before been witnessed in the Smith county court house. He will serve 60 days on the poor farm and pay a fine of \$300. He was assured that if he would never sell any more liquor in violation of the law that 15 more cases against him would be dismissed.

Altogether there have been 10 convictions at this term of the court, and only 1 acquitted. There has not been any whisky sold in the county since the prosecution of these cases was begun, and officers believe that there will not be any more. They now have the matter well in hand and do not apprehend any further trouble.

The passenger department of the Houston and Texas Central Railroad announces a special low one way colonist rate of \$25.00 from all main line points to California. Tickets on sale February 15 to June 15, inclusive, and it is probable that an unusual number will take advantage of this exceptionally low rate to visit the Golden State. Tickets are good for continuous passage, though in California stop-overs will be allowed at all Southern Pacific stations, while special rates have been made to various points within California.

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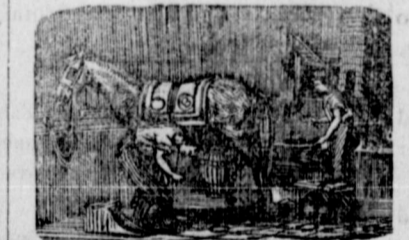
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