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**RUSSO-JAPAN WAR NEWS.**

**RUSSIANS BITTER AT AMERICANS.**

Advices from cities in Russia, principally Moscow and St. Petersburg, say that the anti-American feeling has grown so intense that the authorities have taken precautions to protect the United States embassy and consulates from insult or possible attack.

The feeling against the United States is particularly bitter because the Russians look upon the friendship of America as only a pretense. There is also open animosity toward England, but it is less intense than the feeling toward America, because England is considered an acknowledged enemy of Russia.

It was reported from St. Petersburg Sunday that the Russian advance guard on the Yalu river had been driven back with a loss of more than 2,000. The emperor has ordered an inquiry into Port Arthur affairs. Many dismissals and degradations will result. Alexieff is looked upon as a disappointment.

Cablegrams from Chefoo Sunday said Port Arthur is quiet, but troops are being rushed into it from Liao Yang. Seven Russian divisions are proceeding to the Yalu river.

During the naval encounter there were about 5000 soldiers in Port Arthur, but the Russians were caught napping. Ten thousand Japanese troops are advancing by forced marches from various points in Korea to the Yalu. A great engagement is expected to take place in Northern Korea shortly. The Japanese declare they will take Port Arthur within two months with their fleet and army. Port Arthur is regarded as a second Metz.

Russia's power on the seas is practically destroyed. The Russians fired on their own vessels when the attack was made on the Port Arthur squadron. If the Japanese torpedo boats had advanced into inner harbor all the Russian warships would have been at their mercy.

Am informed on excellent authority that Port Arthur is prepared for a long siege. This city is provisioned for 19 months if not more. It is expected that the fighting in Northern Korea will be very severe in character.

**Fans on War Names.**

At least one man came to the Stephanoff place at Port Arthur. Is Austro-Hungary?

Japan seems to be doing a Russian business.

They have also a Fu Ping in the far east.

The newspaper correspondents seem to Seoul that's going on.

What is all this Fusan about, anyway?

Maybe Japan is just Peking Russia.

Togo, or not to go—that is the question.

Now is the time when Yalu journalism gets a chance.

How much does Tokio?—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Hanover Courier says that several vessels of the German West Indian squadron will go up the Mississippi to be present at the opening of the St. Louis exposition.

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**Local Option Address.**

The State executive local option committee has issued an address to the Democrats of Texas in reply to one issued recently by a committee of citizens who favored the Willacy bill during the last Legislature. The address is in part as follows:

Their evident purpose is to try to commit the Democratic party of Texas to the interests of the liquor traffic by a platform expression similar to the one adopted by the Republican party last year.

Their plan of procedure suggests that there is something back of movement besides devotion to Democratic principles, as Democracy never hides from the people behind barred doors. Their actions in this particular afford good reasons for believing that there is something concealed, which if exposed to the public view would defeat this effort of theirs to make the Democratic party in Texas a bulwark the protection of liquor traffic.

We addressed our first communication to the people of Texas and had hoped to conduct this fight for the preservation of our local option law on a broad plane, before all the people, irrespective of party lines, and still hope to do so, but if these liquor politicians force the issue into Democratic fold they will find the bulk of the people "at home" there, and a Waterloo awaiting them.

The charge of the Willacyites that our local option laws are unjust because they "permit those favorable to prohibition to hold elections every thirty days, while denying the right of election to those opposed to prohibition except once in two years," is a nice specimen of fiction with scarcely enough truth in it to fool the foolish. It is its own sufficient answer to an intelligent man who will read the law and then just half think. Our liquor laws are more than fair to the liquorites. They give the traffic original possession in the contest between it and the people in every single county and precinct and "possession is nine points in law." This "nine-time" advantage by virtue of original possession far more than offsets the slight advantage the pros have of calling for elections in wet counties.

To save the Democratic party of Texas from the unspeakable calamity of being prostituted to the protection of the liquor traffic, we suggest that local option Democrats awake to the necessities of the hour, and attend in force their county and precinct conventions, and see that a few politicians in each county do not so manipulate the said conventions as to pack the State convention in the interest of the liquor traffic. Watch particularly the delegations to the State convention to be held this spring to nominate delegates to the National Democratic convention. See that only incorruptible out-in-the-open Democrats are not on guard.

Write our secretary regarding any matters needing special attention.

The address is signed by State Executive Local Option Committee. H. H. Halsell, president, Decatur; G. W. Owens, treasurer, Dallas; H. A. Ivy, secretary, Sherman; G. C. Rankin, Dallas; C. H. Jenkins, Brownwood; Rev. Granville Jones, Austin, Tex., State organizer.

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**Hay's Second Note.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 21.—Secretary Hay last week addressed to all the Far East a second note dealing with the neutrality of China and the desire to limit the area of Russo-Japanese hostilities.

This note merely stated what had been accomplished by his previous communications initiating the international effort for the preservation of China's neutrality. It set forth the extent to which Russia and Japan had agreed to limit the field of war. This, as previously stated, makes the battle ground Manchuria, Korea and the Russian and Japanese Empires. Mr. Hay does not suggest any secondary step. He is content with the adherence of the Powers to the principle of Chinese neutrality.

There will be issued at the state Department probably to-morrow a memorandum setting forth the Russian and Japanese answers to Mr. Hay's first note.

**Fear A General War.**

A cablegram to the Dallas News of Sunday from London says: Fear is felt here that the war cloud is spreading over all Europe.

The epoch-making crashes in the Far East are given second importance tonight in the face of the possibility that England, France and Germany may be drawn into the struggle.

Russia's hatred and distrust of England are reciprocated by the latter, and so comparatively trifling an incident as the British expedition into Thibet is being expanded into an importance that may lead to a clash.

Besides, England is the avowed friend of Japan. Russian officials on the continent are openly discussing the possibility of war with England, and on her own part England is displaying an activity that speaks a growing fear that she will be forced into the conflict.

Dispatches from all the great capitals are filled with references to the growing possibility of a spread of the conflagration.

The Paris Figaro tells of an autograph letter sent by the German Emperor to the Czar, in which the attitude of Great Britain is discussed.

A Henry county, Mo., negro, while skating Tuesday, fell and broke some four-inch ice with his head. All he said was: "Ah guess Ah bot the skates on de wrong end."

**Texas Leads in Horses, Cattle and Mules.**

The department of Agriculture at Washington has issued a live stock census giving the figures for the year 1904. According to these figures Texas has more horses than any other state in the Union, the total being 1,252,714. New Jersey has the best grade of horses, the average value being \$99.28 around, and New Mexico the lowest, the value in that Territory being but \$17.52. Texas also has the greatest number of mules of any State, the total being 399,018, but the South Carolina mule is the most valuable, being rated at \$99.59 each. The New England States are not credited with one single mule.

In milk cows New York leads with 1,665,328 head, and Iowa comes second with 1,363,064. Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut place the highest valuation upon milk stock, the average in those States being \$40.40 for the tops. In cattle other than milk stock Texas leads the procession. The total accorded this State is 8,087,989 head, with an average value of \$10.13. Iowa comes second with 3,502,532 head, valued at \$22.10, and the highest value is found in Illinois, where the average is \$24.78.

**Rock Island Tied Up.**

As a result of the strike of the shop men and clerks at Alamogordo, the division point and general headquarters of the El Paso and North-eastern railway, the road cannot get out rolling stock. This ties up the through Golden State Limited and other Rock Island trains.

The regular Rock Island passenger and the Golden State Limited from California were consolidated Sunday night and were sent east via Fort Worth over the Texas and Pacific, but this can hardly be repeated, lest it cause a sympathetic strike on that line.

EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 23.—The strike on the El Paso and North-eastern road at Alamogordo ended after a complete tie up of the road for forty-eight hours. The men gains every point and the road discharges five officials complained of, including the master mechanic, chief dispatcher and general clerk.

Eld. W. B. Parks, from Hereford, has moved here, having rented the Ward place, and will have charge of the Christian church with services twice a month. He comes highly recommended as an able minister.

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GRANT GILLET'S promises to show up and settle all his debts turns out about like the stories of Childress' promise of a permanent water supply.

Canadian College trustees have chosen Prof. J. F. McDonald, of Fort Worth, a graduate of Baylor and who Yale Universities who has had large experience in college work and has been a professor in Geek and Latin, as president of the college. He begins his work June 1, of this year, so as to be ready for the opening Sep. 1. The college property is all out of debt, with money to pay expenses and a \$40,000 endowment. Locating this college there has driven out the saloons and a great revival has just been held with over 100 conversions—40 additions to the Baptist church and over 50 to the Methodist church.

There were returned for taxation in 1903 1,036,662 of cattle in Oklahoma, Beaver County leading with 100,808 head. The following is the return by counties: Beaver, 100,808; Blaine, 22,103; Caddo, 23,393; Canadian, 28,716; Cleveland, 14,686; Comanche, 46,077; Custer, 29,862; Day, 20,222; Dewey, 25,389; Garfield, 42,265; Grant, 41,515; Greer, 61,507; Kay, 55,582; Kingfisher, 32,252; Kiowa, 22,586; Lincoln, 27,211; Logan, 23,361; Noble, 34,105; Oklahoma, 19,193; Pawnee, 85,094; Payne, 26,078; Pottawatomie, 21,952; Roger Mills, 30,318; Washita, 28,142; Woods, 97,158; Woodward, 74,140. Total, 1,036,662.

Perry S. Heath, ex-first assistant postmaster general, and secretary of the Republican national committee, who was censured in the Bristow report for methods employed in the Postoffice department when he was an official, has wired the acting chairman, Mr. Payne, in Washington, as follows: "Due to the death of Chairman Hanna, I tender you my resignation as secretary of the Republican national committee, effective immediately." Senator Hanna's influence saved him on the Republican committee and in a fight began against Bristow President Roosevelt stood by Bristow.

The Tyler Commercial Club has agreed to accept the proposition of the Government in which it will establish an experimental farm near Tyler in which fifty acres of cotton will be planted and worked by cultural methods under direction of Government experts. The farm is located five miles from Tyler and is owned by Hon. H. B. March. It has a variety of soil on it. Tyler citizens will give the matter all necessary encouragement and support.

Statistics show that about one student in ten, at college, plays football, and about one player in thirty-five each season, is so injured that he cannot continue his college work.

A Masonic lodge was recently organized at Channing and Hon. Del W. Harrington was made Worthy Master.

W. G. Stewart and A. B. Gardenhire left Sunday for Rockwall and other places in that vicinity with a view of interesting farmers in Panhandle land.

J. T. McHan came up from Rowe this morning and he says there is considerable complaint of lagrip there. W. T. White is sick and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Allen, is dangerously sick. Mrs. Dyke is also very sick.

## Operator Robbed at Dalhart.

Early Saturday morning at Dalhart Charles Johnson, night operator for the Denver Road at Dalhart was held up and robbed by two men who broke in at the front window while Johnson was placing the money from ticket sales in the safe. Johnson grappled with the man who came first, but was covered with two guns by the second man and compelled to desist.

In the scuffle a lamp was upset, setting fire to the building and in the confusion the robbers secured \$139 and escaped.

## Agent Robbed At Amarillo.

Last night about 8 o'clock, just after the passenger train for the south left Amarillo, the ticket agent at that place was held up by two robbers and the cash drawer was robbed of \$175. Robbers escaped.

## One Way of Doing Business.

A good many years ago a certain railroad bankrupted itself hauling freight at less than cost trying to down a rival. And we find that it is not always an indication of prosperity to a paper to see its columns full of advertising. The Amarillo Champion says of the Star in its town:

"The Evening Star in an editorial in the issue of Wednesday, Feb. 10, has this statement, 'Until business improves the Evening Star will be discontinued and only two papers a week will be published.' They give as their reason that 'the business men will not support it,' and yet in this same issue they have seventeen columns of advertising while the entire space of the paper is only twenty-four columns, leaving seven columns that is not advertising. We do not know how much patronage the Star wants."

## Single Statehood.

As the result of territorial hearings for statehood, the prediction is made from reliable sources that a bill will be reached in the near future from the house committee on territories, joining Oklahoma and Indian Territories into a single state under the name of Oklahoma. This state will not be admitted, however until after the allotment of lands by the Dawes commission has been entirely completed, and the school land question has been settled. This state, it is expected, will have a population of about 800,000 and will be divided into four congressional districts. Later a bill will be reported admitting Arizona and New Mexico as a single state, but this latter proposition will not be pressed for some time.

A report came here yesterday that a criminal assault had been made on a ten-year-old girl by a man employed around the Rock Island yard at Dalhart, that he had been arrested and to avoid lynching he was brought to Claude and placed in jail, as also was the murderer of Lee Cannon, whose life was also in danger. D. B. Hill came down from Dalhart today and he says the assaulter is a half-witted, part Mexican, and that an examination of the girl by physicians would not bear out the theory that assault had been fully carried out, as the girl was uninjured.

## H. G. Meuman Dead.

At an early hour this morning H. G. Meuman, proprietor of Clarendon water works, died. He had been an invalid for a long time, coming here for his health. Besides being consumptive, he had asthma. He had been confined to his bed about a week. Funeral services will be held tomorrow by Rev. Goodman, of the Episcopal church.

The Senate yesterday ratified the Panama treaty.

## Terrific Dynamite Explosion.

Twenty-five persons were killed and fifteen injured in the explosion of dynamite Friday at Jackson, a telegraph station on the western end of the Ogden-Lucin cut-off of the Southern Pacific railroad in Utah. Eight of the dead and five of the injured are Americans; the others are Greek laborers.

The explosion following the collision between the two trains which met head on almost in front of the telegraph station was terrific. Terrace, fifteen miles to the north, was shaken as by an earthquake, window panes in the station at Colon, fifteen miles away, were shattered and the sound of the explosion was heard eighty-one miles away. The ground upon which the trains were standing was torn up more than a thousand feet. A great excavation thirty feet deep was torn in the ground.

## STATE NEWS.

The measure to issue school bonds was defeated at an election at Channing recently.

Amarillo is to vote April 5, the same date their city election is to be held, on the proposition to issue bonds to build a court house and jail.

County Health Officer Dr. L. M. Stroud of Terrell reports that there are 100 cases of smallpox in Kaufman county, eleven of which are in the pest camp.

In Denton county the school at Aubrey has closed on account of scarlet fever and at Lewisville on account of many of the pupils and teachers being sick.

Wm. Baysinger, who killed Chas. Williams last June, was sentenced to 25 years in the pen at Mangum, Ok., Saturday and Jack Taylor was sent up for ten years for horse theft.

In a difficulty at Roys Saturday night Fred Block received a serious wound from a knife while attempting to arrest Harris Buck. Buck received two pistol wounds, neither of them being serious. Buck was arrested, but was released on bond.

W. M. and J. E. Barker, who have been doing a ginning and threshing business at Prosper, Collin county, have filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States Court at Sherman. Liabilities \$10,000, with assets aggregating \$5,000.

At Wichita Falls last Thursday a deed was signed conveying title to a block of land in the city on which to build a Roman Catholic convent school building. It will cost between \$25,000 and \$30,000, and will be finished by January, 1905.

Mrs. Carrie E. Shields, wife of Fred Shield, treasurer of the Gaskill Carnival company, killed herself in San Antonio Sunday, after writing to her brother saying that death was preferable to a prospective separation from her husband. Deceased was 19 years of age and was married to Shield at Fort Worth a year ago.

The suit for the removal of Joe Box from the office of sheriff of Hutchinson county, which was tried in the district court of Lipscomb county at the last term, resulting in a verdict in favor of Box, has been reversed by the court of civil appeals and remanded a new trial.—Canadian Record.

McClellan & Barnett, the hustling, new real estate firm, are the ones to list your property with. Acquainted with all lands in Donley and surrounding counties. If you want to buy or sell they can serve you best.

## Fort Worth Market.

Top prices yesterday were: steers \$3.55; cows \$2.50; calves \$5.00 hogs \$5.60. Receipts were: cattle 950, calves 60, hogs 650.

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## News.

J. S. Stallings has tendered his resignation as county attorney.

Grandma Hill has been making improvements to her home.

H. A. Drake is quite sick with la grippe at his home in Amarillo.

Mrs. W. J. Ayers, who has been dangerously sick for the past two weeks, is still in a very critical condition.

J. B. Breedlove has purchased Block 30 in the Goodnight addition and will soon erect a handsome residence.

## Worth and Influence of the Papers.

A clean and truthful newspaper is the back-bone of a town, a community or a state, according to its circulation. The newspaper which is independent, newsy and reliable, brings all classes of people 'round to understand his prestige and appreciate his worth.

There is a very small class of silly bigots who pretend to scorn the papers and who think it adds to their dignity to say "smart" reliable things about the unreliability of the papers and to make a weak effort to decry their influence. This is the class of people who are always trying to "do" the papers one way or another.

The more intelligent and better class of people of any community understand and appreciate the worth and influence of the papers. And this class is vastly in the majority. By them the paper are always treated with courtesy and consideration.—Magnolia, (Ark.) News.

## That Boodle Fund of \$5,000,000.

The fact that an organization can vote a sum like this to keep itself in ruinous power is an evidence of the vast amount of money wrung from the people of this country. It is like our national congress making an appropriation to some great enterprise. A great government, the wealthiest on earth, would debate many days before it would make so great a draft on the national treasury. But here is an organization the spirit and purpose of which is to undermine morals and wreck home and character, coolly taking from its earnings, derived from criminal sources and voting \$5,000,000—for what? To buy outright, voters, legislators, congressmen and judges! The people cannot afford to allow this infamous business prompted by such an infamous machine to hold sway over them, especially since this \$5,000,000 is diverted from legitimate channels into those that disrupt society and threaten the government itself.—The Advance.

Word comes from Memphis, Tenn., that Mrs. J. M. Oxner has been dangerously ill for ten days with meningitis and some doubts are entertained of her recovery.—Memphis Herald.

## RELIGIOUS EXERCISES.

Baptist, Every Sunday at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.—Rev. W. L. Skinner, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday night.

M. E. South, services every Sunday—Rev. G. S. Hardy, pastor. Sunday school 10 a. m. Prayer meeting every Wednesday night. Junior Epworth League at 3 p. m. Epworth League at 4 p. m. every Sunday.

Catholic, St. Mary's Church—Rev. D. H. Dunne, pastor. Sunday services: Mass at 10 a. m.; Sunday School after mass. Evening services at 7:30. Services every Sunday except 2nd SOCIETIES.

I. O. O. F.—Clarendon Lodge No. 381, meet 1st and 3rd Thursday nights each month in 3rd story of courthouse. Visiting brothers made welcome. D. E. POSEY, N. G. M. ROSENFELD, Sec'y.

W. O. W., Woodbine Camp No. 476—Meets in Odd Fellows Hall every Friday evening. Visiting choppers invited. ED KIEER, C. C. J. E. COOKE, clerk.

A. F. & A. M.—Clarendon Lodge No. 700, meets 2nd Friday night in each month over the Bank of Clarendon. JAMES TRENT, W. M. R. A. CHAMBERLAIN, Sec.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, No. 216 R. A. M.—Meets the first Friday night in each month at 8:30 o'clock. Visiting companions cordially invited. W. H. MEADON, H. P. JAS. TRENT, Sec.

K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 90. Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights in every month in their Castle Hall, in Johnson's Hall. Visiting Knights cordially invited. J. M. CLOWER, C. C. F. A. DUBBS, K. of R. S.

CLARENDON CHAPTER, ORDER EASTERN STAR—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday each month at 7:30 p. m. in Masonic Hall over Bank of Clarendon. MRS. FLORENCE TRENT, W. M. MRS. MARY ANDERSON, Sec.

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**TIME TABLE.**

Fort Worth & Denver City Railway.

NORTH BOUND.	
No. 1. Mail and Express.....	8:47 p. m.
No. 7. Passenger and Express.....	7:15 a. m.
SOUTH BOUND.	
No. 2. Mail and Express.....	7:15 a. m.
No. 8. Passenger and Express.....	9:30 p. m.
J. W. KENNEDY, Local gt.	

Business locals five cents per line for first insertion and 3 cents for subsequent insertions. All locals run and are charged for until ordered out. Transient notices and job work are cash, other bills on first of month.

**Business Locals.**

Wall paper at Stockings.  
Nicest assortment of candies in town, just in, at Blair's.  
Just received a big shipment of harness plow goods, etc., at Rutherford & Collins'.

**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

Ben Chamberlain left yesterday morning for Chicago.  
Miss Sarah Porter returned from Dallas last night.  
J. B. Sydnor's family left Saturday night for Fort Worth.  
J. M. Clower and wife left Saturday for Dallas to visit relatives.  
Frank Martin arrived home from St. Louis market Monday morning.  
An infant of Lloyd Blackwell's died Sunday and was buried next day.  
T. J. Noland left Saturday night for the St. Louis dry goods market.  
Capt. Wright of Memphis visited his daughter, Mrs. Meador, this week.  
Miss Letha Bowlin, who has been at Vernon since Christmas, returned Sunday night.  
Mr. Peterman and son-in-law, Dr. Barron, of Brownwood, are here prospecting for a location.  
Sheriff Jones, of Memphis, paid Clarendon and his daughter, Miss Kitty, a short visit Monday night.  
J. T. McMurry, of Clarksville, Tenn., has rented Mr. Marcum's place on which to make a crop this year.  
Mr. Hale and wife of Pilot Point have been visiting their Aunt, Mrs. Ramsey and left for their home yesterday.  
Abner Harvey, Z. Buckner and Mr. Walls, who came in from Tennessee last week, have rented land near Giles.  
Hugh Brown returned home Saturday from Ft. Worth where he has been on business, and was called to Rowe last night to see his sick sister.  
Mrs J. L. Bain died at Rowe Sunday and the remains were sent to Newlin for burial next morning. She leaves two children besides a husband to mourn their loss.  
Miss Mido Walters and Miss Emma Poe, who, after visiting their grandfather in Amarillo, then visited Mrs. Oddell and Miss Parsons here last week, have returned to their home at Santa Anna, Texas.  
Three deacons, J. H. O'Neill, J. H. Rutherford and N. F. Peters, will be ordained as deacons next Sunday, at the Baptist church. The pastor, Rev. Skinner, and Revs. Thornton and Bruce will officiate.  
G. C. Ferguson's house on his farm north of the river burned yesterday morning. He built a fire in the cook stove, went to the lot to do some feeding and soon saw the entire roof afire. His family lived here in town and only himself, a daughter and hired hand were staying on the farm at the time. But few things were saved from the house. The loss was about \$1500, with \$1000 insurance. He had intended to soon move his family out to the place.

Nicest fresh fruit cakes, etc., to be had anywhere at Blair's.

**Farmers Meeting.**

As previously announced, a meeting was held Monday to hear men sent out from the Texas Agricultural and Mechanical college talk on farming. The farmers of Donley county turned out fairly well and Mr. W. F. Sterley, general freight agent of the Fort Wort & Denver road was on hand with Mr. J. W. Carson, Supt. of the state experimental farm and director of Farmers' Institute work; F. R. Marshall, instructor of animal industry; Oswald Wilson, state statistical agent, and Mr. W. D. Bentley, a fruit grower of Clay county. While speaking was announced for 1 o'clock, it did not commence until two and those present became a little restless.

Hon. W. B. Ware introduced the speakers and Mr. Bentley was put forward first. He said from what he had seen, in his drive around town, of the orchards he believed fruit trees would grow better and live longer than in Clay county. He told of apple trees in his orchard that produced at the rate of \$300 per acre. Plums, he said, do finely here and are a very profitable fruit, yielding hundreds of dollars worth per acre. Grapes and dewberries and blackberries all do well. He said pears should be tried and that the trees live longer than those of any other fruit. He recommended the Ben Davis apple and the Elberta and Alexander peach as being hardy and good bearers, but there was no peach finer in quality than the R. E. Lee.

Mr. Marshall, a gentleman with a German accent next took the floor and talked on cattle-feeding. He laid particular stress upon the importance of feeding and finishing cattle for the market here at home—as THE CHRONICLE has done from time to time. With our extremely dry winters, well cured grass, cheaply raised kaffir corn, cotton seed meal and other feedstuff raised on cheap land we have much superior advantages over the northern feeder with his lots and fields deep in mud and snow where a large amount of feed is wasted. If it pays the northern feeder to buy our cattle and feed, it would certainly pay us better to feed our own cattle and ship straight to market. He said if Texas stockmen would furnish the finished stuff Armour's would make Galveston the biggest meat export port in the world, and this can easily be done if Texas people will improve the breed of cattle and use intelligence in feeding.

Mr. Carson next took the floor and stated that it was the purpose of the Farmers' Institute to organize farmers and stockmen for practical, educational work. All there is to it is to make out a program, meet and discuss it and swap experiences, cultivate social relations and keep out of politics. When an organization is perfected the college will send speakers and assist by sending bulletins and literature. In speaking of Alfalfa, he said it will grow and do well here, the main thing being in the thorough pulverization of the soil before sowing. It requires about 20 lbs of seed per acre. Our soil is well adapted to Spanish peanuts, which will pay twice as much per acre as indian corn. Speaking of cotton, he said the entire boll weevil district must depend for its seed upon territory north of them, and the Panhandle should make it very profitable in supplying seed for planting. He advised early maturing cotton, such as Cheyenne, Rowden and Russell King. He said this would be a fine country when further developed, and in 20 years from now he expected to see

it equal in improvement and value to Dallas county.

Mr. Wilson said in his talk that the average production of cotton per acre was growing less, while the average per capita consumption of cotton was increasing, and that if people of all counties consumed as much on an average as Uncle Sam's subjects it would require 70,000,000 bales annually. He says we can get a cotton that will mature in 100 days and open ten days later.

Mr. Sterley made the last talk and reiterated our statement some weeks ago that the freight rate on cotton to any point is the same per single bale to any point that it is per bale by the carload, so that if any farmer is not satisfied with local price offered, he can ship as cheaply as the local buyer. A local Institute was then organized by electing Jno. Sims as president and Editor J. E. Cooke as secretary. Thirty were enrolled, 12 of whom agreed to plant cotton under direction of government experts, as follows:

A. J. Rawlings 20 acres, S. H. Hunt 10 acres, L. K. Egerton, J. T. Wilson, H. S. Anderson, R. S. Mobly, J. H. Roberts, W. B. Johnson, W. E. Jones and J. C. Scoggins five acres each, with others for smaller amounts.

Other names enrolled are, J. N. Eddins, T. S. Bugbee, A. L. Bruce, L. C. Barnes, W. H. Cooke, S. D. Churchman, P. J. Smith, R. G. Jones, T. M. Pyle, A. Erwin, Hugh Brown, J. B. Miller, Harvey Palmer, W. R. Claunch, W. H. Patrick, W. P. Blake, J. S. Jeffries, A. M. Beville, B. S. Turbyfill.

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*College Clatter.*

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Twenty-three couples of the college pupils enjoyed a picnic at the sink-hole north of town Monday afternoon, chaperoned by Prof. Williams and Miss Pearson. Mrs. Hardy prepared a delicious lunch and they ate supper out there. They all report a pleasant time.

There were several visitors from a distance at the debate. Miss Essie Thacker, sister of Carl Thacker; Miss May and Clarence Self, brother and sister of Riley Self, all of Crowell, and Miss Mattie Beverly of Quauah, sister of Russell Beverly; and Clyde Wright of Silverton, were some of the visitors.

The debate Saturday night was very interesting. The question was; Resolved, That Tammany Hall should be condemned. W. J. Stanford and Will Roberts of the Adkissian society were on the affirmative, and Donald Doak and E. R. Stanford of the Panhandle were on the negative. The vote stood three to two in favor of the negative. The orchestra rendered some excellent music.

There are five Mondays in February this year. This will not occur again until 1932.

Rev. Sebe Thomas has been called and accepted the pastorate of Clande Baptist church.

Memphis Baptist church has called Rev. R. E. L. Palmer, of Mangum, for pastor.

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WITH the opening days of 1904 work on the Louisiana Purchase Exposition passed into the last stage, that of installation of exhibits and beautifying. Yet progress on these final touches has kept pace with the work of construction for a major portion of the last twelve months, so that the line of demarcation between actual building operations and final endeavor is difficult to indicate. Thus, even while roofers were employed on the Palace of Machinery, the great steel crane, itself an exhibit, was swinging parts of engines that might well be called mammoth into position, so that the dawn of 1904



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shows nearly all of these modern creators of force in position. And so it is on Agriculture hill. Nine months ago thousands of rosebushes were planted in order that they might gain strength from long tenure of the soil, and in like manner other exhibits of nurseries were in place long before snow commenced to fall.

Tracks are laid in the huge Palace of Transportation, and turntables have been placed on solid concrete foundations. These are being burdened with locomotives of the latest construction and with modernly equipped coaches.

In other palaces floor space that has been marked off is being decorated

that will make such a formidable display, and under supervision of men from the United States navy the deck of a modern warship is assuming interesting proportions.

Art hill shows the palace of stone and the two annexes ready to receive the paintings and works of bronze and marble.

No less forward are conditions on that interesting adjunct to this Universal Exposition, the Pike. All the large amusement buildings are practically complete, and within the walls now are stage carpenters, creators of illusions

and other wizards, transferring bare walls into places of enchantment.

By an arrangement recently made between a transportation company and the railroads it is believed there will be no delay in delivering the many train loads of exhibits within the gates of the Exposition. Extensive preparations have been perfected to handle all freight that comes into the city, and, in addition to service by a system of big drays—some propelled by steam, others drawn by horses—which is designed for the smaller shipments, car load lots will enter direct over the several switch lines that wind in and out between the buildings.

In order that no delay might be caused by severity of the weather the Exposition management looked especially to the construction of the roadbeds during the late fall of 1903, and now there is no danger that heavy drays will be stalled in soft, muddy places, but all can proceed on a smooth, hard surface to the place of destination.

Acting in accord with the general spirit of facilitating rapid installation, the Terminal Railroad Association, which controls all shipments of freight delivered by roads from the east, has doubled its capacity for handling freight in both the St. Louis and East St. Louis yards, and it is now believed that during the busiest weeks, which will undoubtedly be those of March and April, there will be no congestion across the two big bridges that span the Mississippi. Should there be, however, resort can be had to the ferry service, which also has been increased in order to care for any emergency.

Shippers all agree that freight is arriving in St. Louis better today than ever before, and this notwithstanding the fact that the terminal facilities are not quite completed and that a number of tracks cannot be operated because of laborers being engaged in their reconstruction. A recent test proved that a consignment of freight from Boston was delivered in a building on the Fair grounds seven days after its shipment from a warehouse in that eastern city, and all persons who have any knowledge of such matters must admit that this is very fair time.

As for the western roads, they all have spurs leading direct to the Exposition, and in many instances cars can be switched direct into the grounds without even a day's detention in the yards.

Those who have the work of delivering exhibits in charge say that they can keep pace with the men who do the in-

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As for the beautifying of the Exposition, it is only a question of putting the men at work. Every plan has been made; all the preliminaries are completed. The landscape gardeners have laid out the grounds to meet the approval of the most exacting critic, and it needs only the warm rains of spring to coax into bloom the seeds, bulbs and plants that within a week can be placed in the soil. In like manner the color scheme for the palaces has been definitely arranged, so that painters have but to follow instructions, and almost within a fortnight the beautiful buildings will shine resplendent in the holiday coats that they will wear for seven months, beginning April 30.

Long ago electric wire cables were laid throughout the site, and now it is but a matter of attaching the hundreds of thousands of globes which will illuminate both the water and the air so that at night the World's Fair City shall shine even more resplendent than during the day.

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## Red Tape Election Law.

El Paso county commissioners in appointing election officers found out that in Crow Flat precinct in El Paso county, a section bigger than the entire state of Rhode Island, there are only two qualified voters—men who have paid their poll taxes—W. S. Abel and his son. They must be given an opportunity to vote, however, and accordingly were appointed judges of the election, the law providing that each precinct must have at least two judges of election. They will, therefore, have to preside over the polls for the eight hours on election day and supervise the casting of their own ballots. To give them this right of franchise the county will be put to at least a hundred dollars' expense, for it must provide the precinct with the necessary booths and the usual railings to keep them "from crowding within less than thirty feet of the polls except when they are ready to vote."

The election notices informing these two men that they have a right to cast their ballots at such and such a place and that the polls will be kept open the requisite eight hours, must be posted by themselves as election officials before the election, and on the day of the balloting they must be on hand sharp at 8 o'clock to open the polls and remain there till 6 o'clock before closing them, to make their votes legal, for the law says that the polls must remain open all day. At night they will have to go through the formality of counting the ballots, sealing the ballot boxes and bringing them in, a distance of over a hundred miles. They will be provided with four ballot boxes for the casting of their votes, as the law places the minimum number for each poll at four.

Altogether the voting at Crow Flat will be something of a farce, but all this must be gone through with in order to give these two men the right of suffrage under the provisions of the new state election law, passed for the purpose of properly safeguarding the ballot.

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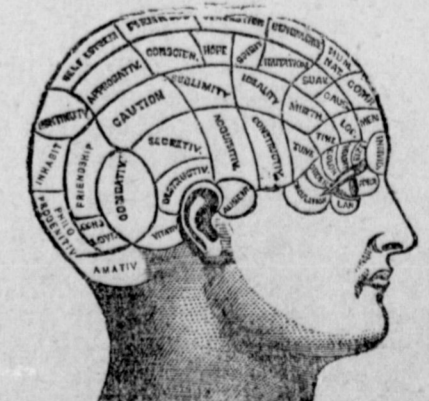
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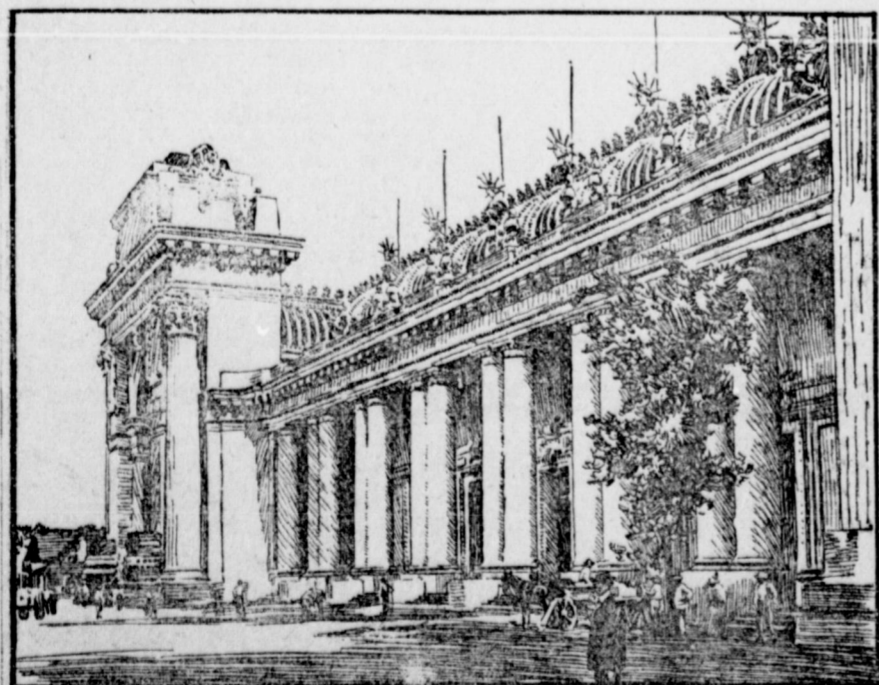
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