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Government Ownership in A Democracy.

The following in Bryan's Com- was copied from the Sioux City Tribune:

When the opponents of government ownership theory need a thirteen inch gun to finish their antagonists they admit that Germany has been successful in running its railways but that its ability to do so is to be credited to its monarchical and bureaucratic rule, things which are wholly incompatible with American institutions. Naturally such an argument puts something of a damper on the government ownership enthusiast who does not want to surrender American institutions no matter how great the consideration.

But the fallacy of such an argument is proved by the success which Switzerland, the most democratic country in the world, has achieved. Germany's success is made despite monarchical institutions rather than on account of them. The Swiss venture is only five years old but Carl Vrooman, an American student of the railway problem who has just returned from an eighteen months' tour for the study of railway conditions abroad, vouches for the great success achieved by the mountain republic, as Charles Edward Russell has done before him.

He found that Switzerland, which is a more democratic government than the United States, has given governmental ownership a severe test and the experiment has been a "wonderful success." In Germany the earnings of the railways go into the general treasury, but in the mountain republic the surplus has been used to cut rates, increase wages and improve the service. At the same time the bonds issued to pay for the roads are being provided for and will all be redeemed within sixty years out of the earnings, leaving the roads a clear asset of the republic. The public has been benefited and the hours of employes have been reduced.

And the republic's test has been made under unusually difficult conditions for the cost of construction is higher because of the mountainous character of the country than in any other country. The success of this democratic country, with its party government, has been so great that Russell in his series of articles on the "Common Good" holds it up as a model for the world. So that the theory that monarchical and bureaucratic government is essential to successful governmental ownership has not a foot to stand on. And to show that the experience of the Swiss is not unique under modern governmental conditions, there is Vrooman's reference to conditions in Belgium, a constitutional monarchy with an extremely democratic government. Belgium is the pioneer in government ownership and has achieved noteworthy success. Belgium has a greater amount of mileage in proportion to its territory and lower freight rates than any country in Europe with the exception of Switzerland. In consequence that its great port of Antwerp is rapidly forging ahead of the rival French port of Harve, which has been dependent on the service of private railway corporations. And Belgium's industry is greatly benefited, too.—Sioux City, Ia., Tribune.

Starving in Russia.

On account of crop failures in Russia, it is said that from 20,000,000 to 30,000,000 people are slowly starving to death.

Aggravating the famine is a fearful epidemic. The deadly typhus is raging in the stricken provinces.

Those who have not died of want and exposure are being killed by disease. Thousands upon thousands have been seized with the plague. The death list numbers thousands a day.

Conditions in the province of Samatra are worse than anywhere else. In this province an authoritative estimate now places the dying at 2,000. In the province of Kasan and in Simbursk and Ufa it is hardly much better.

Negro Conspiracy.

Belief of the officers at Fort Reno that a conspiracy to murder the officers at Fort Reno, beginning with Captain Edgar H. Macklin, against whom nearly every negro soldier at the post entertains a personal grudge on account of the affray at Brownsville and the discharge of the negro troops, and then proceeding down the list of officers, became known Tuesday, is a result of the preliminary hearing in the case of Edward L. Knowles, corporal of Company A, Twenty-fifth infantry, who was held on a charge of assault with intent to kill Captain Macklin on the night of Dec. 21. Knowles was bound over to await the action of the grand jury.

All of the officers go heavily armed, and are protected throughout the night.

Every effort has been made by the officers at the post to keep the alleged conspiracy a secret, but it is learned that an investigation is now being conducted at several army posts and important places throughout the country and within a short time several members of the troop recently discharged in disgrace are expected to be arrested.

The Postal Deficit.

The eminent gentlemen who have taken it upon themselves to wipe out the postal deficit seem sadly in need of new spectacles. They are quite sure that the only way to wipe out the deficit is to raise the rates on second class matter 400 per cent, being utterly unable to see the very plain fact that the postal deficit could not only be wiped out but a neat surplus secured by simply compelling the railroads to transport the mails for a reasonable compensation. The railroads furnish cars for the express companies and then haul the express for about one-eighth of what they charge for hauling mail in cars rented to the government at an annual rental that pays for the cars every year. Instead of increasing second class rates 400 per cent the commission ought to devote some time to getting a fair rate from the railroads.—Commoner.

Court grinds along slowly. Besides the cases reported Wednesday, Mrs. Inge McCormick and Mr. G. D. Hunt were granted divorces and State vs. Roy Sparks dismissed. Case of M. P. Donaghey vs. G. S. Patterson non-suited and several suits were continued. The L. C. Barnes-Red Williams suit is on trial.

Old newspapers cheap at this office. Only 15 cts per 100.

Demand Bailey Investigation.

Senator Bailey made his appearance in Austin Wednesday morning right on the heels of the meeting of the legislature. That he is going to have the fight of his life is evident.

Representative Cocke of Bexar has already filed with the house clerks a resolution demanding an investigation of Senator Bailey, Attorney General Davidson and the Waters-Pierce Oil company and asking for an appropriation of ten thousand dollars to conduct the same.

This proposition is signed by thirty members of the house and pushes the issue fairly and squarely up to the Bailey men for settlement.

STATE NEWS.

A tree fell on Ernest Lemons, a boy, four miles from Newport, Tex., killing him.

A shoe and harness polish factory is to be removed from Springfield, Mo. to Dallas, Tex.

Rather than return to her home at Corpus Christi from Laredo, Faith Barton, a girl of fourteen years suicided by taking poison.

Arnold Kingade, wanted at several Texas cities to answer charge of attempting to pass counterfeit money, has been arrested at Chicago.

Charles Thompson, a cattle driver was shot through the head and instantly killed at Fort Worth this week. He worked for Swift & Co. C. H. Boyd, a motorman, was arrested.

The railroad commission has issued a ruling placing the Wichita Valley, Wichita Falls and Oklahoma and the Abilene and Northern railways under the same management and control.

The Midland hotel at Terrell was burned Thursday morning, starting from a defective flue. It was owned by C. A. Augier and was estimated to be worth \$4,000; insured for \$2,000, including furniture inside.

The east-bound Katy passenger train, which runs between Wichita Falls and Denison, was badly wrecked three miles of Henrietta. The train was being pulled by two engines. The track spread and one engine and every car left the track and plunged down an embankment into earth. There were twenty-eight passengers on the train but none were hurt but the mail clerk.

While suffering from mental aberration J. H. Deering, an Ellis county farmer living near Forrester, Monday night burned his home and attempted suicide by cutting his throat with a razor. His family was away from home at the time. The house and all contents were totally destroyed. Deering then cut a long gash in his throat in an attempt to end his life.

In a number of educational institutions of the country students are not allowed to chew tobacco, but those who persist in using the weed in this way are subject to expulsion. Suppose, now, that all the young cigarette suckers were expelled from our colleges, how many students would be left?—Texas Farmer.

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European Cooking Schools.
Germany and Austria have about 150 cooking schools. A four years' course is necessary before a diploma is granted. Most of the hotel chefs have diplomas from these schools.

Bitter, Bitter Thoughts.
Boy (under chastisement)—"When pa asked ma's hand, he might have made it a condition that it should be reserved for him exclusively."

Chicken Skin Gloves.
Gloves of chicken skin were in vogue in the early part of the 17th century. They were used at night to give the hand whiteness and delicacy.

First Steps.
Attractiveness in woman is her first step toward matrimony.—Yonkers Statesman.

First Principle of Life.
If you would have contentment, peace, joy and success give religious care to the physical person.

How Can They Help It?
Egotists as a rule have few friends, which fact they of course attribute to jealousy.

Autumn the Crime Period.
Taking all crimes, more are committed in the autumn than during any other of the four seasons of the year.

Too True.
Pay days come and pay days go, but bills roll in forever.

Women Exact Heavy Interest.
An English woman says that women make much better bankers than men. That may be true. Did you ever know a man to borrow money from his wife and escape paying it back less than seven or eight times?—Washington Herald.

Dog Buried in Fine Coffin.
A Tunbridge Wells, Eng., woman, who recently lost a dog of which she was very proud, ordered from a local undertaker a handsome polished oak coffin, with silvered fittings, for her lead pet.

Change of Name at Marriage.
As far back as 1568, in the region of Elizabeth, it was decided in the case of Bon vs. Smith that a woman by marriage loses her former name and legally receives the name of her husband.

The Know-It-Alls.
So many people have such clear, critical knowledge of other people's affairs as to neglect to wonder why they are not in active business competition with all this ignorance.—John A. Howland.

A Daily Thought.
There is but one straight road to success, and that is merit. The man who is successful is the man who is useful. Capacity never lacks opportunity. It cannot remain undiscovered, because it is sought by too many anxious to utilize it. A capable man on earth is more valuable than any precious deposit under the earth, and the object of a much more vigilant search.—W. Bourke Cockran.

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It is said 2,000 Japs will seek to enter the United States by way of Mexico.

No doubt Mr Bailey now thinks like Carl Pretzel, that "der man dot works for der public vas got a hard boss."

Mrs. A. J. Gray of Rosevelt, Ok. gave birth to triplets—two girls and a boy. She was in a town of the right name to cut such capers as that.

The dry farming congress is to meet in Denver Jan. 24 and 25. The governors of each state is asked to appoint from ten to twenty delegates.

The Chicago hearing of the Texas cattle cases was adjourned until Jan. 23 at Denver, and evidence will also be taken at Amarillo, Tex., Jan. 22 and at Fort Worth Jan. 28.

Senator Daniel of Virginia addressed the senate Tuesday on the discharge of the troops, sustaining the president's action. Senator Foraker said he would conclude his speech on the subject at a later date.

A. C. Scurlock, one of the best known newspaper men of Texas, for 20 years editor of the Cleburne Chronicle, died at Amarillo Tuesday night at the age of 60. He had been in bad health for several years.

One of the most striking changes we have noted in a newspaper is in the Channing Courier. The new editor, J. C. O'Brien, has bought a new dress, out and out, and the paper shows that its editor knows his business.

In New York City last year there were 398 suicides, brought about as follows: One hundred and ten by shooting, 21 by throat cutting, 51 by poison, 124 by gas, 27 by hanging, 27 by jumping from windows or roofs, 4 by jumping in front of trains and 34 by drowning.

At San Angelo Monday night a banquet was given President A. E. Stilwell and party of the Orient railroad, and a subscription of \$130,000 was made towards the securing of the shops, roundhouse official headquarters, etc. The officials require that the city take \$25,000 in first mortgage bonds, in which event San Angelo will be made headquarters.

A 12,000,000 Bale Crop

The National Ginners' Association has issued its report of the cotton ginned to Jan. 1 and estimates the amount of the present season's crop yet to be ginned, and the total figures indicate a crop exceeding 12,000,000 bales.

The agricultural department at Washington issued a statement Wednesday on the number of bales of cotton ginned for the present season to Jan. 1 giving the total figures at 11,750,000 bales.

Rex Stegall, after spending the holidays with home folks has returned to his school work at Clarendon. * * * Mrs. Ida Greer left Monday afternoon with her daughter, Miss Eunice, whom she intends placing in the Clarendon Convent. * * * Miss Gussie Wadsworth left Wednesday morning for Clarendon, where she will enter the Clarendon College and remain during the present school session.—Channing Courier.

Editor Cooke is laid up with a cold.

Buckner Orphans Home.

In the 28th annual report of the Buckner Orphan's Home it says the beginning of the work was in the First Baptist Church in Paris, July 17, 1887. The first charter was adopted at the First Baptist Church in McKinney, April 10, 1879. The first work was in a rented cottage in Dallas, when three children were cared for from Dec. 2, 1879.

The present country home about six miles from the city on the east was acquired in 1880 and was known as the Pinson Place. Now there are more than 600 children in the homes in the country and in the city. There are forty three babies in the nursery department, a new building. There are many of the infirm in the home for old women.

In all the years in which Dr. R. C. Buckner has been at the head of this work, there have been sent out more than 5,000 of the children to enter into the work of the world and of the church. The children have come from all churches and from no church, about twenty varieties of religious beliefs being represented. They have come from about two dozen of the states and from eight foreign countries. They have gone into all parts of the world and into every profession in life.

Nineteen buildings contain the work of the orphanage. There was received from all sources in the last year more than \$64,500 for the persecution of the undertaking.

Attorney General Moody has now become Justice Moody. The supreme court consists of nine members. Since 1894, when the income tax was declared unconstitutional by a majority of one, five new judges have been appointed in place of five who have died or retired in that time. Of these five—now a majority of the court—three have been appointed by President Roosevelt. Query: How would an income tax stand before the supreme court now?—Investigator.

Public School Notes

Reported For THE CHRONICLE

Meridith Gentry has returned to school after two weeks absence on account of sickness.

Jno. Bugbee is able to be in school again after several weeks absence on account of a broken limb.

The new pupils enrolled in Miss Stout's room are: Horace Frye, Olen Callahan, Agnes Cooke, Alvis Austin.

In Miss Bett's room: Vera Lacy, Jack Johnson.

In Miss McLean's room: Lucile Lacy.

In Miss Burdett's room: Benton Wyatt.

In Miss Stevens' room: Dora Wyatt.

Lillian McCurry and Pattie Woodward of grade 5 are on the sick list this week.

Miss Ellen Lewis, of Coleman, is a new pupil in the 8th grade.

Miss Gertrude Lochridge of Rowe has accepted charge of the 3rd grade.

Ernest Nelson, while playing this week, caught a finger ring on a nail and came near cutting his finger off.

Mrs. Marion Williams, Misses Nellie Burdett, Elizabeth Tatum and Maude Reeves were visitors this week.

Miss Maude Harrington is progressing nicely with her music class.

Sister W. C. Rogers visited the school Monday to advertise the Lumpkin lectures.

Ina Rector of grade 7 is out of school on account of sickness.

Scale Books For Sale.

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Dig Fish From Mud.

The native of certain parts of India are in the habit every year, in the summer, of digging the dry river banks for fish, which they dig out by hundreds, just as they would potatoes. The mud lumps are broken open, and the fish, perhaps eight or ten inches long, will be found alive, and often frisky, as if just removed from its supposedly native element, the water.

Not the Sunshine.

There was an old man who was charged with illicit distilling and was brought up before the court. The judge, who was a witty fellow, asked the prisoner what was his Christian name. The prisoner replied: "Joshua," and the judge answered: "Are you the man that made the sun shine?" and the prisoner replied: "No, sir, your honor; I'm the one that made the moonshine."—Army and Navy Life.

When Saddles Were Unknown.

Early Greeks and Romans rode horses bareback. They regarded it as effeminate to ride in a saddle. The modern saddle, with pommel, crupper and stirrups, was unknown to the ancients. Nero gave out fancy coverings to his cavalry and the bareback riders of the German forests used to laugh at them. Saddles with trees came into use in the fourth century; stirrups three centuries later.

His Strong Point.

A little boy was on his knees recently at night and auntie, staying at the house, was present. "It is a pleasure," she said to him afterward, "to hear you saying your prayers so well. You speak so earnestly and seriously and mean what you say and care about it." "Ah!" he answered, "ah, but, auntie, you should hear me gargle!"

The Long-Lived Orchid Flower.

Even when orchid flowers are fully developed they may remain uncut upon the plant for two or three weeks without apparent deterioration. This gives them a manifest advantage over most flowers that have to be cut immediately upon, or even in advance of, reaching full maturity.—Country Life in America.

Athlete's Odd Mishap.

A Brooklyn athlete, who has been successfully looping the loop on a bicycle for several years and who never sustained the slightest accident, nearly broke his neck while wheeling his baby in the perambulator. He slipped on a banana peeling on the sidewalk in front of his home.

Scientific Discovery Anticipated.

It is interesting to note that in extracting electricity from a man's stomach, in San Francisco, a drink of whisky doubled the voltage. This bears out observations that have been made by the unscientific and without the aid of electrodes or a microphone.

Take It Easy.

Worry kills more quickly than anything else. It is insidious, and the poison works slowly, but it reaches. There isn't much use in repairing a broken bridge until you get to it. Therefore, pick a few wild flowers on the way, and take it easy.

Chocolate's Introduction.

Chocolate was first introduced into England from Mexico in 1520. It was made from the flower of the cocoanut, soon became very popular, and was generally used in London coffee houses.

The Orator.

"I have a theory that all three elquence comes fr'm th' tails iv the' coat, an' if ye made an orator change into a short coat he wud become deaf an' dumb."—Disertations of Mr. Dooley."

Severe Theatrical Criticism.

Theatrical criticism is severe in Warsaw. A prominent actress says that one evening while she was playing there two bombs were thrown on the stage.

This Is Fame.

A first edition of "The Murders in the Rue Morgue" was sold recently for \$1,400. Poor Poe would have been delighted to have received one-tenth of this sum for the story.

The Decadence of Scotch Humor.

Parties wanted, with capital, to join practical man in the making of low arns in the south of Scotland.—Scotsman.

The Thing to Guard Against.

"I am going to be an actress when grow up," said a girl of six, adding: Oh, dear, if I just don't forget and e a mother first!"

Getting an Understanding.

He—When we are married we must both think alike. She—Yes; but I'll hink first.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. J. M. Mann was in Memphis trading Thursday.
Otus Rieves will build a residence on half of the old Doshier block.
Will and Eric Clower are prospecting down in the lower Pecos country.
W. P. Powell returned Wednesday from his business trip to Whitesboro.
Miss Bess Ferrell, of Vernon, is up on a visit to her sister, Mrs. W. R. Bowlin, east of town.
J. M. Brooks, who erected the first laundry in Clarendon, has moved back here from Quanah.
Mrs. J. H. Hogue left Thursday for Petty, Texas, in response to a message that her mother there is very ill.
J. H. Hogue has sold his 320 acres of land south of town to Henry Wheeler and Mr. Pierce at \$5,125.
J. E. Pemberton recieved a message Wednesday that his brother's wife at Stephenville had died very suddenly.
Dr. Gray has bought the corner lot where the Hill house formerly stood from J. M. Hill, consideration \$500.
Charley Carder of Amarillo went back to Amarillo Wednesday and returned here Thursday night. He says Mrs. Browning's condition is about the same.
Hollifield & Thornton have sold out at Rowe to Mr. Jones, who, it is supposed, will move the stock to the new town. J. T. McHan is putting in a stock of groceries at the post office.
A man named Wylie came up from Rowe this week and plead guilty to being drunk in that burg before Esq. Barsett, who fined him \$1 and trimmings. He seemed to be afraid that the Rowe magistrate would look on the offense more seriously.
Delay in receiving the new bank fixtures has caused considerable annoyance to the Donley County State Bank officials and they have arranged temporary fixtures and are open for business.
W. W. James, of Boydston, says the last rain will delay the farmers considerably with their winter plowing. The ground was just getting in condition to plow since the big snow, but now it will be some time before it is in good condition again on the plains.
Two of J. H. Kelley's children have diptheria.
If you want fine locust trees, apple trees, peach trees, grape vines shubbery, see Egerton of the anhandle Nursery. He now has 100,000 trees in his new nursery. Finest grapes in the world at from \$5 to \$10 per 100 and other stock in like proportion. A fine lot of berry vines also. Call and see his stock.
Farmers—You Can Save 25 to 50 per cent on your plow work by taking it to Eph Taylor's shop.

Ladies have you registered? If not, why not? It's free. Ask Tucker and Tax at Clarendon Bakery.

College Notes.

Reported for THE CHRONICLE
The young men's prayer meeting met Satureay night, the first meeting after the holidays.
Mr. Hastings, who has a son and daughter in school here, was a caller recently.
Mr. and Mrs. Merrill, of Hale Center, visited their two sons, Grover and Homer, at the College this week. They were on the way to the coast for the remainder of the winter.
Dr. Burkhead, who has been suffering with rheumatism again this week, is able to be with his classes again.
A new Latin class has already been organized and quite a number of new classes will be arranged for with the beginning of the new term.
The College Circle held an enthusiastic meeting Monday evening at which they decided on various plans connected with the banquet on the 28th.
The following new pupils have come in this week: W. F. Lindsey, John C. Ramsey, Mr. Huffstuttler, and little Dick Tomlinson in Miss Betts' room. Miss V. da McKeown writes that she will be here the 14th.
Misses Dona Kluttz and Mabel Matlock are just back from their holiday visits.
The next number of the Lyceum course, which is to be the 19th, by Dr. Edwin 'Cyclone' Southers, at the opera house, promises to be one of the best of the season.
Quite a crowd of young ladies from the dormitory, under Miss Betts' chaperonage, very greatly enjoyed an exposition of the wonders of the X-ray at Dr. Standifer's office Saturday.
Jim Hall visited at the dormitory Sunday. He is practicing law and running a newspaper at Elida, N. M. He was on his way to Trinidad on business and came down to Clarendon for the day. Wesley is in Fort Worth taking a business course.
Quite an enthusiastic meeting of the boys was held on Thursday afternoon at which Prof. Morton was elected president of the Athletic Association, and Bounds Howe sec. and treasurer. Various plans were made for the good of the organization.
For Sale—Good feather bed and pillows. Call at D. C. Priddy's.
If you want some fine residence lots, near the college, call on McCLELLAN & CRISP.
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Remember, you can buy tickets for the lectures, "Strange Sights in Foreign Lands" Thursday, at either the Clarendon Bakery or Stocking's Drug Store. Season tickets for the three lectures, if bought in advance, only \$1. Tickets for single lecture 50 cents. Any child within school age can buy tickets for the three lectures for 25 cents. No single tickets sold at this rate. One 25 cent ticket admits you one night or three nights, just as you choose to come.
Cemetery Evergreens.
Clarendon Nursery makes a specialty of eyergreens of various kinds for beautifying cemetery lots. Nice weeping willow also. Please notify me at once of anything in this line you may want.
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Woman Scholar Wins Honor.
Mrs. Agnes Lewis, of England, is said to be the only woman who has received the degree of D. D., which has been conferred upon her in recognition of her labors in deciphering some ancient manuscripts of the bible which were discovered in a monastery on Mount Sinal. She is regarded as the most famous woman bible scholar in the world.

Queen's Collection of Charms.
Queen Alexandra possesses one of the largest collections of charms in Europe. It consists mainly of tiny elephants in malachite, jade, porphyry, sapphire and turquoise, and humming birds, swallows, bees and beetles, which are works of art, composed as far as possible of uncut gems and enamel.

They Understood.
It was a school director in Bingtown who visited the school and tried to get the pupils to stand in line by saying: "Now all youse children what's bigger than the other children get behind the children that's littler than the rest." But, strange to say, he obtained the desired result.

Called at the Wrong Place.
"If you please, mum," said the ancient hero, in an appealing voice, as he stood at the back door of the cottage on washday, "I've lost my leg—" "Well, I ain't got it," snapped the woman, fiercely. And the door closed with a bang.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Responsibility.
A young woman never realizes that she is married until after her husband is taken ill. His first cold in the chest convinces her that marriage has some responsibility. Man is never convinced of the fact until the night he is left alone with the first baby.

Turbine Steamers.
The first turbine steamship built in America made a speed of over 21 miles an hour on her trial trip. It is a long time between cycles. Archimedes invented the turbine engine 2,150 years ago and it is just now being improved by modern physicists.

An Old Institution.
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PROSPECTIVE STATE LEGISLATION.

Comment on the New Administration, and Suggestions as to Some of the Probable Laws to Be Enacted.

Austin, Tex., Dec. 30, 1906.

From our Special Correspondent.

On January 8th, 1907, a new State government will be installed at Austin and the Thirtieth Legislature will convene for the usual sixty-day biennial regular session, and as much longer time as the business of the State will, according to the views of the Governor, require.

Hon. Thos. M. Campbell, of Palestine, will take the reins of government as chief executive, and it may not be amiss to prognosticate as to what effect the new administration will have on the political as well as the industrial future of the greatest State in the Union.

The past two years have found in all parts of this country a general shaking up in governmental policies and administration. Democratic as well as Republican States have answered to the call of the people for more enlightened and honest performance of public duties by public servants. The battle cry of the professional politician that "what is, is right" no longer falls as dulcet tones on the ears of the people who pay the taxes, fight the wars, and who from behind the gaudy throne of the politician ought to direct this nation in the way of truth, honor, justice and "equal rights to all men." What does the new year and the new thought hold out for Texas? What will be the course and the destination of a new administration of affairs by a Governor nominated and elected by the votes of all the people for the first time? In other words, what kind of a Governor will Tom Campbell make? Is a question on the lips of every citizen who is patriotic enough to take a man's interest in the welfare of his State.

To my mind, after a careful consideration of what his friends as well as his enemies say of him. It seems a safe prediction that the new Governor will meet all the requirements of the demand that the old flag on which is inscribed "a public office is a public trust" must be used as the guide by the defenders of the State.

To say Tom Campbell is not a politician, may seem a picturesque if not a wholly false statement, considering that he has been nominated and elected Governor of Texas, yet it is a fact nevertheless. Had it not been that the whole people had a say in the choice of the nominee, another than Col. Campbell would now be preparing to occupy the big, square barn at Austin which has been designated as the official residence of the first citizen of Texas. But if Tom Campbell is not a politician in the modern meaning of that term, which is based on the maxim of the lawyers that "a general expression implies nothing certain," and that "promises are made to be broken," he is a deep thinker, an astute planner, and a laborious worker. The Governor is not much of a talking machine, and many of your readers will recall that some of his late competitors could hand out a dozen interviews to the press with their left hand while he was fixing up one with his right. But when it comes to considering a plan and working it out, the new Governor has all of his competitors "skinned a city block."

Col. Campbell is the only man who has ever had the opportunity to direct the business of the great government of Texas, with its multifarious duties and responsibilities, who has had a business training or been in a position to acquire knowledge of the manifold duties of a great business concern. He will bring to the task of being Governor a splendid executive ability, with a knowledge and experience in handling men, which must redound to the betterment of our governmental machinery. It is therefore no far call to say that the prospects for an honest, economical and progressive administration of State affairs are flattering indeed.

While we have confidence that the new Governor will be Governor of all with an eye single to the interests of the State, it must be understood that he is also a good party man and believes in appointing Democrats and his personal friends to the offices within his gift, for he is eminently a man who sticks by his friends. It may be taken for granted that "Campbell men" will have the "first call" to favors within his gift, but—and that but is ominous for those who think they can rely, to stay in office on Tom Campbell's friendship alone; they must "make good" or there will be something doing around their whereabouts or I miss my guess. Paste this prediction on the wall and see if it does not come true.

Important Legislation

The Thirtieth Legislature will have some most important matters to attend to; some difficult subjects to deal with, with which they must deal fairly and in the open, regardless of any desire to play politics or shirk responsibility. There are some very able men in the Legislature who are honest and patriotic and may be depended on to give the people a "square deal," notably, Duncan Smith, Robertson and Feeler of Travis, Terrell of McLennan, Cobb of Bexar in the House, and Senter of Dallas, Green of Bexar, Grinnan of Brown, and Smith of Denton in the Senate.

Taxation of First Importance.

The question of revision of our tax-

ing laws is, of course, of prime importance, as the State is deeply in debt, and consideration of new demands on the exchequer can not be considered until a way is found to pay up past obligations and find new resources for the future. It is a curious coincidence that while the people of Texas are now more prosperous than ever in their history, the government is bankrupt. Cowardice and mediocrity in legislators is responsible for this condition.

New taxes must be raised, and it seems, in the light of the urgent demands for more money from all State institutions, a temporary increase in the ad valorem is inevitable. The laws for the taxation of corporations, stocks and bonds and the nimble wealth that has heretofore eluded the tax-gatherer must be revised and strengthened, as most of the legislation on these lines in the last Legislature was botched up in some way so that "the law's delay" has created a tremendous hiatus between income and expenditure.

One of the troubles with our system of taxation is, at least so far as State revenues are concerned, that the counties and cities are permitted to fix their own ratio of assessable values to real values. If a county or city does not need much money for their own use, assessable values are made low, and the State deprived of its just dues. This method violates the mandate of the Constitution that taxation must be "equal and uniform," for people in some counties pay to the State on a higher assessed value than in others.

Insurance Legislation.

Strange as it may appear, it is nevertheless true that insurance companies, as well as some other corporations that make no investments in Texas, or spend none of their profits here, pay less taxes than those that do. Insurance companies gather large profits from Texas people, yet make all of their investments in other States, on which other States are paid taxes. Legislation will be introduced to require foreign insurance companies to invest some of their profits on Texas business in Texas. That is as it should be. Wealth that is gained in Texas should be invested in Texas and not taken out to build up other States.

Levee and Drainage Work.

A law will undoubtedly be passed providing for a Levee and Drainage Commission, so that the millions of acres along our rivers which are now useless because of overflows may be made valuable to their owners as well as tax producing. A statement of the amount of rich black land now lying dormant along our rivers because of overflows would astonish your readers. This legislation is urgent and will have a splendid effect in securing larger appropriations from the Federal Government for the improvement of our waterways.

A State Department of Agriculture.

A State Department of Agriculture in fact as well as in name, will be one of the valuable results of the next meeting of the Legislature. This new department, we can say in all confidence, will not be a political machine or a soft berth for a few politicians who know about as much of farming as a hog does of the principles of salvation, but it will be directed by a Board of Agriculture consisting of one member from each congressional district who knows the needs of the farmers. This board of sixteen farmers will be appointed by the Governor, and it will elect a chairman who will be Commissioner of Agriculture. Governor Campbell has declared in favor of the new department, and when it comes to the appointment of the Board it is safe to say that he will appoint men who are genuine farmers and who have the interest of our agricultural development at heart.

Important Changes in Method Of Selling State Lands.

A most important and beneficial change in the method of selling State lands will be suggested to the Legislature. At present, lands belonging to the school fund can only be sold to persons obligating themselves to a three years settlement thereon, and as most of this land is situated in the semi-arid districts of West Texas, it has mostly been purchased by persons in the employ of ranchmen who make a nominal residence thereon while in the employ of the ranchmen, and afterwards sell it to their employers. The uncertainty of the seasons has deterred farmers from making contracts with the State for a three years' continuous residence, as rainless seasons might compel them to go elsewhere to make a crop for a year, and all improvements, as well as the land, would be forfeited to the State. Hon. J. J. Terrell, the Land Commissioner, purposes to remedy this condition by selling the land in certain counties where crops can be grown in some seasons to the highest bidders without settlement. This will have the effect of giving every farmer a chance to bid for a piece of State land, and to farm it when seasons are propitious and when not, to make a living elsewhere until that change comes in wether conditions by the continual stirring of the soil making a sufficient rainfall. If the new plan is adopted, the increased number of bidders will secure for the State higher prices for its land

as well as bring into the treasury more taxes and increased interest on deferred payments. Commissioner Terrell makes the statement that if the proposed change is made, he will compile a complete list of all lands to go on the market for general distribution and set a date far enough in the future for every citizen to become advised of the intended sale and have a fair show to make an application for some of it.

The Liquor Question.

As is usual, there will be legislation affecting the sale of alcoholic liquors, but I anticipate no changes in the laws so far as local option elections are concerned. The manufacturers of beer, who are the only wholesale liquor dealers that have any investments in the State or employ to any considerable extent Texas labor, have taken the cue from the statements of leading prohibitionists that the curse of the liquor business is the irresponsible persons who retail it, and run in connection with saloons gambling hells, wine rooms where lewd women congregate, and sell liquor to minors in violation of law, have started a campaign to themselves to eradicate these evils, and will ask the aid of the State by making the exhibition of gaming devices a felony, as well as making more strict the laws against wine rooms and selling to minors. This will bring on a fight, for the tough element will hire lawyers and try to retaliate by putting the beer men out of business by raising their occupation tax, the tax on beer now being lower than on whiskey and other liquors having a large percentage of alcohol. The use of alcohol being, as it is, always of danger to the people, yet, not eradicable after these thousands of years of use, should be scientifically considered and apart from politics. It serves no good purpose to restrict the use of alcohol under a special name, but it should be restricted no matter what guise it masquerades, whether as medicine, whiskey or beer, and the restricting tax as in other countries should be graduated so as to bear heaviest on liquors containing the greatest amount of alcohol.

The Election of a Senator.

The Federal law requires that the Legislature of each State shall convene to ballot for the election of a Senator on the second Tuesday after it convenes. This will require that our Legislature begin to ballot for a successor to Senator Bailey on January 22. In the meantime provision for an investigation of Bailey's acts will be necessary, as I do not believe that a majority of the Legislature will concede that he has already been nominated in the primary of July 28th last, in view of his confession of relations with the head of the western branch of the Standard Oil Company. The investigation, if made, will not be a whitewash affair as that of the Twenty-seventh Legislature, but will provide for a genuine investigation, with power to secure depositions and evidence of all the facts. Senator Senter of Dallas county will introduce a bill providing for a second primary to determine a successor to Bailey, which will have the support of those members of the Legislature who are desirous of giving the primary election plan a fair and impartial trial. It is significant of the weakness of the contentions of Senator Bailey that the people still favor him for re-election when he fights bitterly all suggestions of an investigation or a second primary. The Senator knows that when another investigation is held there will be a sufficient pressure brought to bear to guarantee that another coat of whitewash will not be put on. As candidates in opposition to Bailey it seems to be the opinion of a large number that the most available ones are ex-Senator Horace Chilton and ex-Senator Roger Q. Mills. It has been suggested by others that owing to the political phase it may become necessary to select a member of the Supreme Court, as was done in the early sixties, when Chief Justice Hemphill was elected a Senator.

Many Delays at Altar.

When a bridal party arrived recently at an English church it was found that the clergyman had forgotten the appointment and he had to be sent for. It was then discovered that the bridegroom had failed to bring the ring. When this was obtained the certificate of the publication of the bans was found to have been left behind. Eventually, however, everything was ready and the ceremony proceeded.

Modern Robin Hoods.

In England nothing has taken the place of the native genius for archery. Perhaps the reason is that the old skill of wrist and eye is turned on to games, and we have lost not a quality, but a proper exercise for it. Soon, it is to be hoped, Robin Hoods and Little Johns will be found making bulls with the Morris tube, instead of splitting wands with the arrow, over half the villages of England.—Country Gentleman and Land and Water.

Answer Was Ready.

William P. Lang, familiarly known as "Bill," the veteran auctioneer of Tilton, N. H., is very bald. One day while he was officiating at an auction a would-be smart fellow interrupted the proceedings by calling out, "Say, mister, if a fly should light on your head he would slip up." Quick as thought "Bill" replied, "If a fly should light on your head he would slump through."

Big Auto Industry.

Fifty years ago an American industry which did a yearly business amounting to \$60,000,000 would have been a giant of commerce. Nowadays nobody is concerned when industries of relatively slight importance equal or surpass that sum in sales. It is almost impossible to get into a frame of mind whereby the comparison comes home, but it is no less startling because a half century obscures its proportions.

"The Technical World Magazine" for December is authority for the statement that more than \$60,000,000 worth of motor cars have been manufactured and sold in the United States this season. Here is an infant industry, scarcely out of swaddling clothes, which has reached prodigious proportions, but is still in comparative babyhood. It is interesting to know that to make the immense number of American cars turned out during the season there are 135 factories entirely devoted to their manufacture, and 250 more which make automobile parts and accessories. A score of factories employ 1500 men the year around, and in every case these are young men, generally under thirty. The head engineer of a factory employing 2,700 men is a man only three or four years out of college, not yet 25 years of age. The opportunities for young men in the automobile industry are something wonderful.

The selling end of the United States of over 10,000 population contains agencies and branches of many of all of the leading automobile companies. Towns of from 3,000 to 5,000 people boast their garages, many of which are being established throughout Iowa. As the motor car problem is worked out, as the price is lowered, the popularity of the machine will be enhanced. But for a starter, a business of \$60,000,000 a year is doing pretty well, even for the country "which does things."—Des Moines "Capital"

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