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### Murdered His Mother.

At Killeen Saturday night while getting ready to attend church, Mrs. M. A. Rowe, aged 69, was shot through the heart and expired immediately. A warrant has been issued charging her only child with the crime.

According to the testimony her son, J. L. Rowe, called at the residence and demanded an apology, which his mother hesitated to give, but answered his direct question at the point of a pistol. This did not seem to satisfy young Rowe, so the tragedy followed.

After the deed was committed he left the premises and rode homeward. He kissed his sick wife good-bye and told her he was called away on urgent business but would return the next morning.

Monday night he was located in a barn only a few hundred yards away from where the awful tragedy occurred. W. M. McDowell, who is the young man's uncle, went to the barn to feed his stock and as he entered the loft Mr. Rowe raised up almost in his face. Mr. McDowell asked him if he desired to surrender or not, and Mr. Rowe handed him his pistol and told him he did. The general opinion is that he is insane. The officers took him to Belton. There is no talk of mob violence.

### Sheriffs Ceasure Legislators.

At the San Antonio meeting of the Sheriffs' association Fort Worth was selected as the next meeting place, and the following officers were elected: President, George S. Mathews, Travis county; vice president, James Laney, Jefferson county; secretary and treasurer, John P. King, Travis county.

Every speech made referred in uncomplimentary terms to the legislature for passing the anti-pass law and otherwise trying to cut off the emoluments of the sheriffs, and the indications are that the sheriffs will attempt to prevent the re-election of many of the present members. One sheriff stated that another legislature like the present one would send all the sheriffs to the poor house.

There has been much dissatisfaction among bankers and banking associations over what they call the infringement of their rights by the express companies of this country and last week a great financial struggle was precipitated by a complaint filed by over seven thousand bankers charging the express companies with a violation of the Interstate Commerce law in conducting a banking business in addition to their business as common carriers. In the complaint it is alleged that the express companies known as the Adams, the Pacific, the Wells-Fargo, the Southern and the Great Northern are now and have been for a long time dealing in exchange both foreign and domestic in the form of money orders, letters of credit, travelers checks and drafts, all of which it is claimed comes within the proper and legitimate business of banking and which is in violation of the Interstate law that a common carrier shall not be engaged in another business. It is claimed that the express companies have further encroached upon the bankers' business by buying and selling foreign money and transferring money by cable and mail. They rent space in railroad cars at much lower rates than the bankers can secure it and are therefore able to carry on their financial business more economically than the banks. The bankers are asking the Interstate Commerce commission to issue an order compelling the express companies to discontinue their banking business.

For Roofing Paper and Corrugated iron go to Kerbow & Asher's.

### Mayor Schmitz Sentenced.

In San Francisco Monday Mayor Eugene Schmitz, convicted of extorting \$1,175 from French restaurant keepers, was sentenced by judge Dunne to serve five years in the San Quentin penitentiary. The last word of the sentence had hardly passed the judge's lips when a thunderous cheer was sent up from the great crowd in attendance.

Several threw their hats into the air, others scrambled and pulled hair to see over the shoulders of the crowd. The greatest confusion prevailed.

### New National Banks.

At the close of the current fiscal year the state of Texas was in the lead with the greatest number of newly organized national banks, 381 having been authorized during the year. The total capital of the institutions amounted to \$17,181,000. Pennsylvania was second on the list with 340 banks, but was in the lead when the question of capital was considered, the aggregate total amounting to \$25,187,000.

When these figures were made public 6,521 national banks, with an aggregate capital of \$898,156,275, were in operation in the country. Bonds on deposit as security for circulation amounted to \$558,442,910, and circulation secured by bonds to \$555,570,881.

### Farmer Produced More, Received Less.

Figures just given out by secretary Wilson, head of the agricultural department, makes the astonishing fact in connection with the total values of farm products is that the value of the cereals of last year was \$40,000,000 below that of the crop of 1905, which was 4,688,000,000 was 120,000,000 above the yield of 1905.

The farmer or the United States should not be blamed if he grumbles at the decrease in the price of every article he has to buy. He is prosperous, not because of increased prices received for the things he has to sell, but because he produces more than he did a few years ago, owing to beneficent nature—good seasons—and the application of modern methods in agriculture.

In addition to the increase in the price of horses and most producing animals, the price of poultry also increased during during 1906, but the price of eggs decreased from the average of 18.7c in 1905 to even 17c in 1906.

The total gain in value of the crops of 1906 over the crops of 1905 despite the enormous increase in size, was only \$22,000,000. The net decline for all cereals is estimated by Secretary Wilson at about \$40,000,000.

Old Geronimo, the Apache chief is still giving the federal authorities trouble. He tried to escape across the Panhandle into New Mexico a few days ago, thence to Arizona to join the wild tribes over there and go on the war path. He was drunk however. It is also reported that he recently joined the Dutch Reformed church, to which President Roosevelt belongs, in the hope it is said of obtaining a pardon.

The Vernon Call says that less than five per cent of the population of Wilbarger county are negroes, yet about one-half the expenses of the criminal courts of the county are chargeable to them.

After a man has been twenty-five or thirty years married it is utterly impossible to understand these stories about young people committing suicide because of disappointment in love.—Ft. Worth Record.

Make your any kind of Shovel or Plow Shear you want.  
E. A. TAYLOR.

### Goodnight Locals.

CHRONICLE Correspondence

Mrs. E. D. Northcutt and son, Ernest, of Elmire, I. T., visited J. A. Grundy and family from Monday till Wednesday.

Bro. Sebe Thomas was called away Thursday to Jolly, where his sister was injured in a storm. She is reported better.

Mrs. W. M. Dickinson and three children came in, Thursday from Asher, Ok., to visit her sister, Mrs. J. A. Grundy.

Mrs. T. R. Dean went to Clarendon this week to visit the dentist. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Goodnight left Tuesday morning for Dalhart.

Mrs. J. M. Craig left this morning for Miami.

Mrs. Grizzelle and Miss Hallie Gorim, of Waco, are visiting Mrs. Tom Trent.

Mrs. Dr. Eby came in Thursday from Waco to be with her husband during the summer normal.

Mrs. Lee Miller and daughter returned to their home at Fort Worth Sunday.

It is now claimed that Jessie R. Grant, son of Ulysses S. Grant, may become democratic candidate for president. While enroute south, he said in St. Louis Sunday: "You can hardly call me a candidate for the presidency yet, and it remains to be seen whether I shall ever be. I am making this tour with the view of finding out whether grounds for the belief there would be any chance for me exist. My decision as to entering the race will depend on the results of the visit." Regarding his political views, Mr. Grant said: "I believe there should be some revision of the tariff and regulation of the trusts. Should I make announcement as candidate for the nomination for president on the democratic ticket, I will state my principles frankly; until that time I prefer to remain silent."

Chester B. Runyan, paying teller of the Windsor Trust company, New York, deliberately packed his grip with \$96,317 of the company's funds, shook hands with the officials and walked out. Mrs. Laura Carter betrayed his hiding place to the police after he had given her part of the stolen funds, and both were arrested. Runyan's bond was fixed at \$15,000 and Mrs. Carter's at \$10,000. Neither could furnish bond and are in prison. The woman got mad because he did not give her more of the money and turned informer. Only part of the funds were recovered.

"In 1906 alone I spent \$200,000 in newspaper advertisements. I should not have done so were I not sure the outlay was going to bring me adequate returns. That was a fair sample of a year's advertising expenditure. Figuring on that basis I have spent \$2,000,000 in newspaper advertising during the past ten years. A fortune. Yes. But as I say the results warranted it. I have given every form of advertising the fairest sort of a trial. I began with newspapers in 1883. The results were so good that later I also advertised in magazines. The returns did not warrant me in continuing, I withdrew my advertisements from the magazines, but later on tried the experiment again. Once more I took out my advertisements and since then have used only newspapers to bring my goods before the public eye.—Douglas, the shoe man.

A large line of the latest in wall paper has just been received at Dr. Stocking's store. You can save money by buying there.

Have your hats cleaned, blocked and shaped in good order at home by the O. K. Tailors. We pay express one way on all goods sent us. The O. K. Tailor, R. T. JOHNSON.

### STATE NEWS.

Wilbarger tax values have been placed \$2,000,000 more than last year.

Over 3,500 divorce cases have been docketed in Fort Worth during the past twenty years.

Jeff Williams was badly slashed with a knife by Geo. Stone at Waxahachie during a difficulty Saturday night.

A two story hotel in Bonham belonging to P. J. Peterson burned Monday. Loss \$2,500, insured for \$1,250.

At Comanche Tuesday Sheriff Smith's daughter, aged 9, was badly scalded by falling with a pan of dishwater.

McLennan county saloon men as a unit closed up shop midnight July 11 and will make no test of the hiatus ruling.

Joe Thompson, a youth, was killed by lightning three miles east of Garza, Denton county, Tuesday. He was in a house at the time.

Floyd Stone, the 15 year-old son of J. D. Stone, who lives three miles north of Corsicana, was drowned in a tank while in bathing.

A Methodist revival at Cleburne, in which the pastor, Rev. W. B. Andrews, and Evangelist J. B. Andrews, of Ark., did the preaching, resulted in 300 conversions.

Mrs. Minnie Moody, whose home was twelve miles northwest of Dublin, suicided by drinking eye water in which sulphur match heads had been soaked. Ill health and worry is believed to have prompted the deed.

Saying that a man of his age had lived long enough in this sinful world Sam McWhorter, 82 years, cut his throat six times with a knife at Callisburg, twenty miles east of Gainesville this week resulting in death.

### Keep Pounding.

"I am not a believer in spasmodic advertising. My principle is Keep pounding away at the reader all the time. Formerly it used to be the custom to advertise shoes at only certain seasons of the year. I never adhered to that idea. I advertise and keep on advertising. When a season is dull I increase my advertisements. That may seem odd. Many don't do it. But I do.—Douglas, the shoe man.

How many men in Texas who have been loudest in their denunciation of trusts and combines now secretly indulge the hope that something will transpire to cause Attorney General Davidson to lose the suit against the Waters-Pierce Oil Company.—Waxahachie Enterprise.

There are so many of them that they cannot be numbered. Everybody wants or professes to want the trusts suppressed in Texas, but there are some thousands of politicians in the State who do not want the fatal bolt shot by the Attorney General. For he has offended them by his action in other matters. Then there are some who are "agents" of the trusts and whose sympathies are in their pockets.—Dallas News.

All of Bearden's best insurance companies have agreed to a reduction in rates commensurate with water facilities and fire protection. Consult him when you want insurance.

Fresh fruits being constantly received at the City Meat Market.

If you want good fresh chocolates and Bon Bons try the kind the Clarendon Bakery sells.

Hogwire, all heights, smooth and barbwire in all varieties just in; call and see it at Kerbow & Asher's.

The swellest shoes ever before displayed, at The Globe.

**YOU CAN SAVE MONEY**  
By Buying Your Groceries At The **Cash Store.**  
We Handle the Best Goods for the Lowest Price. Try a sack of our White Swan Flour. Every sack is Guaranteed.  
**Our Motto:**  
Treat you Right, Give Full Weight and Prompt Delivery.  
When you are in need of Groceries Phone No. 51  
**Barnett, Smith & Thornton,**  
CLARENDON, TEXAS.

**Fresh Bread**  
**The Best Bread**  
AT THE  
**Clarendon Bakery**  
CAKES, CANDIES and FRESH FRUIT  
Something "Good to Eat"  
Drop in and inspect our stock.  
Yours for good living.  
**J. F. TAX.**

W. H. COOKE, Pres. and Cashier. A. M. BEVILLE, Vice-Pres.  
**THE CITIZENS' BANK,**  
Clarendon, Texas  
Opened for business Nov. 1, 1899.  
Transacts a General Banking Business.  
The accounts of Merchants, Ranchmen, Farmers, Railroad men and others solicited.  
Money to loan on acceptable securities.

**CLOSING OUT SALE.**  
\$5,000 worth of High-grade Merchandise to be distributed in the homes of the people at cost.  
Prices will reach the lowest limit in this sensational sale of Men's and Boys' Clothing, Hats, Shoes and Furnishing goods.  
The Entire Stock of Dry Goods, and Shoes of  
**JONES, HENDRIX & GAULT,** HEDLEY, TEX.  
will be put on the market the next 30 days. We are going to turn our attention to Groceries Alone. WE MEAN BUSINESS. Let prices speak for themselves. SEE OUR CIRCULARS FOR PRICES.

**Wanted**  
Everybody to know that we have a well assorted stock of building material on hand, and would appreciate a share of your patronage.  
4-20] **KIMBERLIN LUMBER CO.**  
Call or phone to the City Meat Market for fresh vegetables and they will deliver them to you.  
Look after the expiration of your Fire Insurance policies and let me do some business with you. See my list of OLD LINE, reliable companies. C. C. Bearden.

**LANDS FOR SALE.**  
About 10,000 acres of the R O Ranch lands, between Salt Fork and the Denver railroad. For prices, terms, etc., apply to  
**J. B. McCLELLAND, Agent.**  
When you want good, neat work done in cleaning, repairing, refitting and pressing go to the O. K. Tailors' up stairs in Borchers building.  
**R. T. JOHNSON.**  
The best ice cream soda in town at Dubbs & Sons.



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\$25 Suits for - - - \$16.50  
 \$22.50 Suits for - - - 14.50  
 \$20 Suits for - - - 13.00

Stetson Hats at prices unheard of before.

The Edwin Clapp Shoe, any style or last, at Bargain prices.

Boys Suits from - 98c up to \$2.50 Worth \$2 to \$6.50.

Negligee Shirts 39c, or 3 for \$1.00

Shoes from - - - 59c up

Our Notion Counters are full of Bargains from - - - 1c up

Ladies' Tailored Skirts at cost.

Gents' Underwear - - - 29c up

Our Summer Dress Goods must go. Come in and get our prices.

Nice, Clean Line of Groceries always on hand at  
**ROCK-BOTTOM PRICES**

**MICKLE-BURCHER HARDWARE CO.**

## The Clarendon Chronicle.

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Records show that in the United States, notwithstanding the exceedingly short summer season, more than 160 persons have been drowned. Scores of these were boys and young men in swimming. Others were young couples.

The Burlington road has announced its intention to put in operation a 2c fare schedule between all points on that system, regardless of whether or not the different States have passed a 2c fare bill. This action will undoubtedly cause other roads in the same territory to follow suit.

As might have been expected, the Standard oil company will exhaust every means to defeat the law and it has already taken steps to contest the order imposing a fine upon the corporation, which will be entered by Judge Landis, Aug. 3, in accordance with the company's conviction of the acceptance of rebates from the Chicago and Alton Railway.

Dr. Osler, who recommended that people should be chloroformed after they arrive at the age of 60, has announced that soup is deleterious and should under no circumstances be permitted on the table. What Osler says will have no effect on others as to their diet, but if he will allow us a suggestion in his own behalf we would prescribe an occasional physic or dose of vermifuge.

At Vernon Mr. Bailey said: "Some expect me to speak about politics, but I do not intend to mar the beauties of the day by referring to those scoundrels who have tried to traduce my good name. I know some lawyers that would take any kind of a case offered them in your courts that forbid me accept a case while a senator of the United States." These remarks brought a

cheer from only a few in the crowd, says the Call. Could he have "marred the beauties of the day" more than by calling people "scoundrels" and traducers?"

There are a thousand men, more or less, in Texas, fixing their wires to run for office next year. If they will all just keep quiet until after Christmas the suffering public will get a few weeks' vacation between campaigns.—Sherman Democrat.

Your estimate is entirely too low. There are at least ten candidates for county offices in each county, besides for state and district offices, which will run the total to nearer 4,000. Then when you consider those who seek appointments under the elected officers, it is safe to add another 4,000. There is practically but one political party in Texas, yet, there is doubtless more candidates for office than in states where there are two or more political parties of near equal strength.

A lot of the vociferous cheering that Bailey's attacks upon Veale and others evoked was probably analogous to that which may be seen in a turkey or dog fight. They all take a savage delight in fighting the fleeing victim because they can do so with perfect safety to themselves. None of Bailey's opponents were at Clarendon to make a reply, and, as they went unchallenged, his remarks appeared to carry the force of truth with them, hence the enthusiasm for Bailey and condemnation for Veale and others.—Childress Post.

A very heavy rain fell from here south Tuesday night. Childress had a new, and startling experience—it even washed out some of the railway bed and delayed trains several hours.

Down in the Brownsville country one man this year raised \$1000 worth of celery on one acre of land.

Hayter Bros. begin cleaning house Saturday July 13. Suits 20% off.

I must reduce my stock before invoice. Bargains in all departments for the asking.  
 MRS. BEVILLE.

## Goodnight Buffalo Not Sold.

We are constantly being asked if Col. Goodnight has sold out his herd of buffalo, and we see frequent mention in the press of such a sale. How it started, we do not know, but there is no truth in the report. Even some of the leading stock papers have published the sale but all such reports are without foundation.

This year there were twenty full-blood calves added to the herd, the largest number calved in one year since they were enclosed in the pasture.

The Big Springs electric light plant owned by L. T. Stephenson was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday. Loss \$10,000 with insurance at \$4,000.

The Axial Rotation of Venus. For over two centuries it was generally accepted that, like the earth, the planet Venus rotated on its axis in a little less than twenty-four hours, but since Schiaparelli after long and careful observation of the planet suggested that the actual rotation period was between six and nine months astronomers have devoted much attention to this matter. In the Observatory Mr. Denning sums up the available evidence on the point and can only conclude that this particular problem still defies solution. Life on Venus would be very different from life on the earth should the planet's axial rotation be, as Schiaparelli asserted, identical with the period of its revolution round the sun, as in that case the same hemisphere would always be turned to the sun and enjoy perpetual day, while the opposite hemisphere would be doomed to eternal night.

You will miss some bargains if you fail to look thru my stock now  
 MRS. BEVILLE.

Randall county valuations have been increased from two to three million dollars since last year.

Just received a large shipment of the Douglas shoes for men and Boys at Hayter Bros.

An Expert Horseshoer has been employed by Eph Taylor and shoeing will be done with dispatch, and done right.

W. L. Douglas makes and sells more Goodyear Welt Shoes than any other manufacturer in the world. You'll find them at Hayter Bros.

## Convict Labor Higher.

Contractors bidding for convict labor were given a surprise Wednesday when they were informed by the Penitentiary board that no bids would be considered for negro convicts for less than \$28 and white and Mexican convicts for less than \$24. Twelve hundred and five convicts were leased by the penitentiary board Wednesday. The negroes were leased for \$31 a month. About 200 white and Mexican convicts were leased for \$29 a month. No leases were made for convict laborers other than farm laborers.

Superintendent Herring said Wednesday: "Leases for 1,485 will expire on Jan. 1, 1908. Of this number, something over 300 will be withdrawn from the lease altogether and be worked on state account."

He further stated that leases for something like 500 men would expire next year, and it was the intention of the board, and his belief that those men could be withdrawn from the lease and be worked for State account.

In view of the increase of the price of guards as passed by the last Legislature, as well as the large increase in the cost of maintaining, including cost of provisions, clothing, etc., it was found indispensable to substantially increase the price at which convicts were leased. The leases just expired were at the rate of \$21 per month. The leases just made are at the rate of \$31 per month, except about 200 white men and Mexicans, who were leased at a uniform rate of \$29.

All kinds of soft drinks at Dubbs & Sons.

Our manager is a practical carpenter and house builder, and will take pleasure in making your bills and figuring them for you whether you build or not. Kimberlin Lumber Co. 4-20

If you want Cold-tire work go to E. A. Taylor's shop.

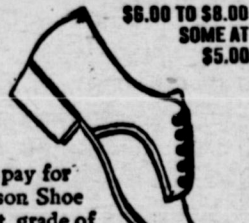
Going to build? If so let Kerbow & Asher quote you on nails and builders' hardware.  
 The Best Horseshoes in town at E. A. Taylor's.

## THE GLOBE

OFFERS NEW ATTRACTIONS

Up-to-date Soda Fountain. The latest and best on  
**All Kinds of Soft Drinks**  
 The "ONLY" Ice Cream—"Steffens."  
**The Finest Parlor in Town**

The Stetson Price



What you pay for in The Stetson Shoe is the highest grade of materials obtainable and the most careful and skillful workmanship. What you get in addition that is not included in the price is comfort and artistic style.  
 These points, summed up, bring shoe satisfaction and show The Better Shoe to be



We secure perfect treatment and privacy for ladies

Gentlemen, we can please you in

Cigars, Confections and everything in  
**Gent's Furnishings**



## E. DUBBS & SONS.

## G. C. HARTMAN

All kinds of Tinwork, Flues, and Flue Re pairing. Your patronage is solicited.  
 Shop on north side of track near residence.

World's Famous Alligrette Chocolates and Bon Bons at Clarendon Bakery.

E. Dubbs & Sons offer you, on the 3rd and 4th at their different stands, the best of everything in ice cream, confections, notions and cigars. Everything up-to-date and first-class.

W. P. BLAKE,  
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 Acknowledgements Taken.  
 NOTARY PUBLIC  
 CLARENDON, TEX.  
 Old newspapers for sale at this office.



**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

*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.**

New goods at Dubbs'.  
Garden seed at Stocking's store.  
Nice line of boys oxfords at Rathjen's.  
Calicoes at 5 cents a yard at Mickle-Burgher's.  
If you want a watering trough or gate call on E. A. Taylor.  
Stocking has sold Hammar paint for ten years. None better sold.  
A full line of optical goods at Stocking's store.  
Buy your Summer horse blankets, fly nets, etc., of Rutherford & Davis.  
Take an Eastman Kodak with you. For sale at list price at Stocking's store.  
E. Dubbs & Sons have discontinued the profit sharing plan. All who have tickets can cash them in at their pleasure.  
If you buy from the Kimberlin Lumber Co. you get prompt service, good grades and courteous treatment.  
You can actually save money if you select your wall paper at Stocking's store.

Miss Lelia Dover, of Gainesville, Tex., is visiting Miss Lelia Ross.  
C. L. Young has built a roomy addition to his livery barn.  
Mrs. Greer, from Channing, has bought G. J. Teel's place at \$2,000.  
Miss Delle Ward, who has been visiting in Clarendon, left Wednesday for a visit at Dalhart.

J. D. & D. P. Ross have put in a nice cement walk and J. H. Rathjen is now doing likewise.  
Dr. Ed. Hughes has sold his place east of town to a Mr. Fuller, of Fannin county, at \$20 per acre.

W. J. Clay, who was state insurance commissioner under Gov. Lanham, spent yesterday in town.  
Mrs. Houk and daughter, Lula, went to Amarillo Wednesday to visit the former's married daughter.

Mr. Ike Dyer, of Crowell, formerly of Caddo Mills, is here on a visit. He is a brother-in-law of Guss Johnson's.  
Misses Bessie Latimer, Mildred and Mary Long, who have been visiting in Clarendon, left Wednesday for their home at Dalhart.

Mrs. C. H. Booth, of Austin, arrived Wednesday on a visit. She will spend several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Eddins.

Ben Ansley, formerly of Channing, has located in Clarendon, counting our city the most desirable in the Panhandle for a home.

Lewis Johnson, of Rufe, I. T. is here visiting his brother R. T. Johnson. He is favorably impressed with this country and may move here.

Miss Mary Browning, with four of the smaller children, are down from Amarillo, this week visiting their aunt, Mrs. B. J. Rhoderick.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Harrington and daughter, Maude, left Wednesday for Ft. Worth to consult a specialist for a physical ailment of Miss Maud's.

Mrs. Geo. Highfill, who was a witness in the case against Cornelius for killing her husband, has returned to Marshfield, Mo., where she now resides.

Harwood Beville, Eckford Reeves, Geo. Ryan, Roy Beverly, Paul Bell and Emmet McComb left Thursday for Dallas to enter a commercial school.

Mrs. Abbie Patton and Mrs. M. E. Harrington, her sister, went to Amarillo Wednesday, for the former, being in very feeble health, going there for medical treatment.

You can now buy boys suits at Hayter Bros. at one-fifth off regular selling price.

Ladies—Do not go shopping without looking thru my stock. Bargains in all lines now.  
Mrs. BEVILLE.

August is invoice time with me. Before then everything in stock is at bargain prices. MRS. BEVILLE.

G. J. Teel is building a new 5 room residence.

A. Drummond, of Claude, is here this week.

Miss Ruth Stocking is visiting in Dalhart this week.

Miss Mertie Cope, of Claude, is visiting Miss May O'Neal.

Lewis Wheat, of Memphis, spent yesterday in Clarendon on business.

Mrs. E. M. Highfill, who visited the family of Geo. Murrell last week, has returned to her home at Trinidad, Col.

Rev. J. L. Truett writes from Whitewright that he cannot be here tomorrow to fill the pulpit at the Baptist church.

The grand jury adjourned Wednesday evening. The only bills returned were one felony and two for misdemeanor.

Mrs. Henry Cooper, who has been visiting her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. Buntin, has returned to her home at Fort Worth.

Wesley Knorpp and T. M. Pyle have both started the erection of new residences, and C. L. Young is building an addition to his residence.

Mr. Hendrix, of the firm of Jones, Hendrix & Gault, Hedley, Tex., was here on business Thursday. They have put on a bargain sale. See their ad in this issue.

We hear that there is a case or two of slow fever in town. This is a disease for which there is a preventable cause. Fresh well water in Clarendon is always pure, but the milk you drink may not be, and the milk you drink may not be, and the disease may be communicated as easily through a cow's milk as otherwise. Milk cows here have access to the holes of water in the branch running by the school yard. The closets in this yard have been in constant use by some 500 persons and every heavy rain washes more or less filth into the branch besides the filth that collects into it through its entire course. To drink the milk of a cow that waters out of these filthy holes is like drinking poison. A cow requires from eight to ten gallons of water daily, if she is capable of giving an abundance of milk. Water is the largest proportion of the milk, and the cow should have a sufficient amount to use in manufacturing milk and for supplying her bodily requirements. See that she gets pure water or quit using the milk.

**Young Owens Acquitted.**  
Solen Owens, charged with the killing of B. S. Turbyfill was acquitted by the jury yesterday morning after deliberating over the case over night. The argument was completed Thursday evening and the jury retired for the night, then handed in the verdict as above.

**A Good Chance.**  
We have yet unsold, one nice dresser and wash stand, good couch, center table, rockers, Chiffoner, Kitchen table, dishes, good heater, cook stove good as new, with cooking vessels. If you want any or all of them come quick we are closing out. WILSON C. ROGERS, Baptist Parsonage.

A beautiful line of men's and boys' suits at Hayter Bros. at 20% off.

**Buy Hammar Paint.**  
You will get the most lasting paint and save 25 per cent. on the price.

**Farm and Town Property.**  
For Sale, also hogs and farm implements, all at a bargain.  
J. I. OLDHAM.

20% discount on all suits beginning Saturday July 13, at Hayter Bros.

Yes'm,—I will clean and press your skirts and suits as neatly as can be done. The O. K. Tailors, up stairs, Borchers building.  
R. T. JOHNSON.

Mr Farmer,—I will write you Hail insurance on your growing crops at reasonable rates. See me.  
C. C. BEARDEN.

Save Twenty-five Per Cent. by using Hammar paint. Stocking sells it.

**Handing us Bouquets.**

The Childress Post says of our celebration:  
"To say that the invitation was generally and gladly accepted would do small justice to the character and size of the large crowd that for two days thronged the beautiful shaded walks of that classic city. From the north, from the south, from the east and from the west, they came until the whole town seemed filled to overflowing with the most orderly, jolly and joyous crowd in which it has ever been our good fortune to mingle.  
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Patriotism and Religion are one with the Japanese

Yamada, Ise, Japan.—How much religion have the Japanese and what is it? A sweeping answer to that question would be that Japan's attitude towards its religions is pretty much that of the small boy in the country toward the eel skin which he ties around his ankle to keep away cramps when he goes in swimming. He doesn't much believe in it, or think about it, but still tradition awards it virtue, so he keeps on the safe side.

It would be easy to write learnedly of Buddhism and Shintoism as elaborate and beautiful religious systems. If I did so few readers would finish this article, and, what is more to the point, I would not have come within a mile of stating the actual situation as it exists here to-day. After three months spent amid shrines and temples and idols, and largely within sound of temple bells and drums (one of the latter is booming as I write,) I am prepared to say that the Japanese as a whole are indifferent to all religions; while of the few who do care, most regard religion as a sort

spect to it; by law they are required to save it first in case of fire, and nothing may be hung above it on the walls.

Yamada, in the province of Ise, may be called the religious and patriotic center of Japan. Here the emperor came to worship at the shrine of his imperial ancestors, to give thanks for the victorious conclusion of the recent war. Hither also hundreds of thousands of pilgrims come annually from all parts of the empire. On ordinary days the number is from 700 to 1,000; on special occasions it mounts to 15,000 a day. Of course, when the emperor was here there came also a multitude which no man could number.

These two shrines are the most impressive in Japan—far more so than the ornate Buddhist temples at Nikko, Kioto, Tokio and elsewhere. He who expects display will be disappointed; one traveler exclaimed: "There is nothing to see; and besides they won't let you see it."

The simplicity of the shrines is really grand; plain, unpainted timbers for

beyond an expectation of material benefits to the living and safety to the dead.

At the temple at Shioyama, for instance, there is one idol who is the particular friend of lovers. The screen about his pedestal is covered with hundreds of wisps of twisted paper. The idea is that if one will write the name of the person whom he or she wishes to marry on a slip of paper and then tie it with one hand to the screen, the prayer will be granted. If the one-handed feat cannot be performed, then the coveted object will not be attained. The sight is more pathetic than curious when one remembers what little part either the affections or desires of the individuals most concerned play in a Japanese marriage.

### Spit-Ball Prayers.

Akin to this is the practice of writing out prayers and then chewing them into spit balls and throwing them at the idol. If they adhere, the prayer is answered. One rather handsome idol that I recently noticed had a large spit ball in his eye, seriously marring his good looks. It is common to throw stones into the laps of the idols, or into the big stone lanterns at temples, and if they land safely, the prayer is heard. At Nikko is a small shrine the roof of which is covered to the breaking point with wooden slabs on which are written prayers for an easy childbirth. Shrines especially devoted to wives desiring children are abundant and popular all over the islands. And, judging from the number of children that swarm in every village and city, these prayers are fully answered.

One of the most pathetic temples I have visited is the children's temple at Osaka, which is filled with the clothes and toys of dead children, given as votive offerings by bereaved parents. The humdrum, mechanical manner in which the attendant priest droned out prayers and rang the bell in behalf of two parents who brought an offering while I was there made one want to lay hands on him. Nearby is a peculiar device for offering prayers for the dead. The name is written on a thin shaving of wood, and then placed in a large stone cistern in the form of a turtle, into which sacred water is constantly running. Devotees take great pains to have the wood thoroughly drenched, for thus the prayer is born to the god.

### The Largest Bell in the World.

At the Tennoji temple at Osaka are a number of interesting sights. In the first place, the temple courts are a regular bazaar, filled with a display of second-hand goods. Scores of dealers have their wares spread about and a lively business is done with pilgrims and others.

The largest whole bell in the world is being hung in this temple area. It was cast at the time of the Osaka exposition, two years ago, and 10,000 Buddhist priests were present, which is about one-tenth of the total number in the empire. Report went forth that, following an ancient custom, a young maiden was wanted to propitiate the gods by throwing herself into the molten metal; and a young woman really presented herself as an offering, but of course the authorities would not permit the sacrifice. This bell, which is second to the broken bell at Moscow in size, was made of gifts of swords and ornaments and money, and has a tone of more than ordinary richness. All Buddhist temples contain large bells and their sound is soft, deep and musical.

One other phase of worship at this temple is the pond full of sacred turtles. It is a pious act to feed these with the pink rice balls which a priest sells. Here I enjoyed the sensation of being an Andrew Carnegie, for the purchase of half a nickel's worth of the food (about a quarter of a peck) caused the wondering natives to exclaim, "Oh, see! He is a very rich man!" The hundreds of turtles race and fight for the bonyon balls and then beg for more. This feeding of the living creatures that are called sacred is a pleasant form of religious devotion. I have fed wriggling eels to sacred cranes (the eels were not sacred, and had no rights), beans to sacred horses, rice to sacred fishes; and have paid a few coppers to see a dancing priestess go through her slow, graceful posturing and gesturing, without moving her feet. Certainly worship at a popular shrine or temple can scarcely be called monotonous with all these diversions, and the various booths for the sale of souvenirs besides.

My candid opinion is that, while the sincerity of many Buddhists and Shintoists may not be questioned, the one vital and increasing religious force in Japan is Christianity. While visiting Ise I attended a missionary preaching service, and among more than 100 persons present was an old woman who had been 18 years a Christian. She told how the missionary had formerly been stoned when he went there, and how she herself had been bitterly persecuted. Now all is changed. At the seat of the imperial shrines Christianity is listened to respectfully and accepted by an increasing number. That same sort of thing is going on all over Japan. Priests and priests' families are becoming Christians and even preachers. The Christian propaganda is carried on at the big temple festivals. Hundreds of school teachers and other government officials have become Christians. The student class seems to be giving more attention to Christianity than to any other religion. The native believers whom I have met manifest a happiness and earnestness which are conspicuously lacking in the case of adherents of the other creeds. In a word, there is a life apparent in the western faith which Buddhism and Shintoism do not show.

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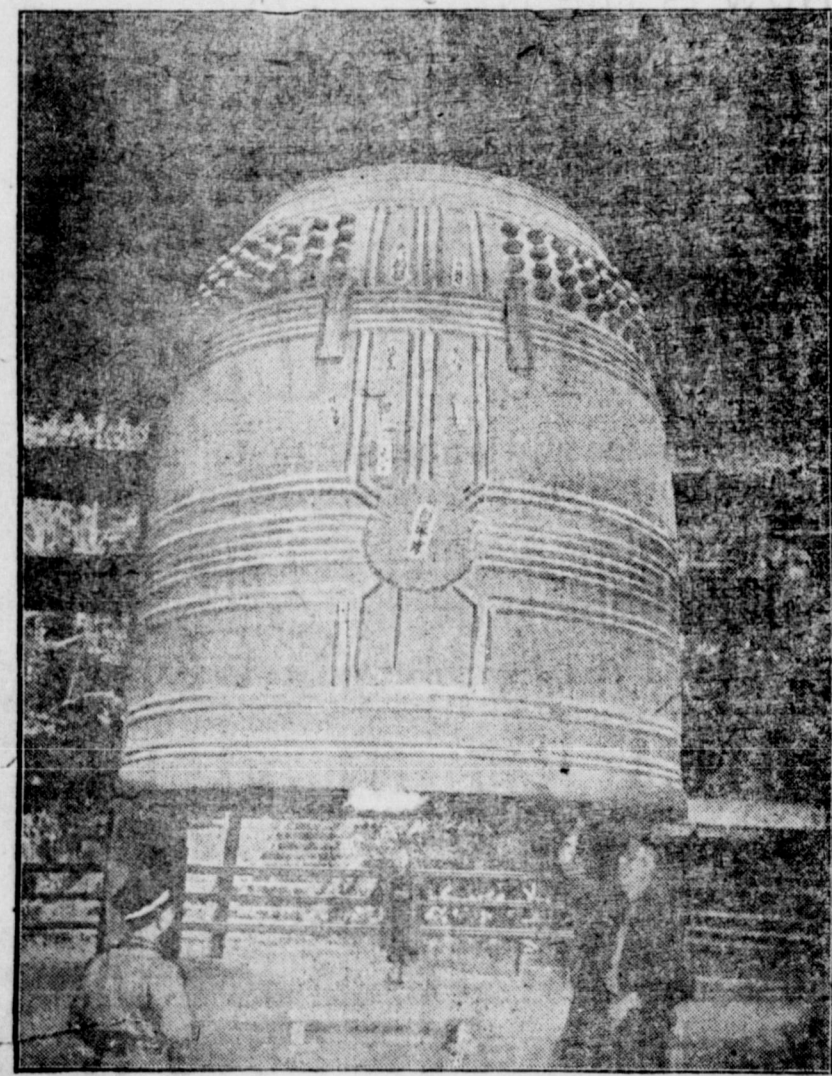
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### A Diety Who Nods.

The emperor himself is a Shintoist; yet I have been in no less than three Buddhist temples which have apartments reserved for him, which he has occupied, when he has gone to the temples to worship. He seems to be beautifully impartial in the matter of religion, favoring Christianity by large gifts, and I have heard it whispered in many parts of the empire that his favorite diety is one Bacchus. It would be treason to speak such a thing out loud in Japan, although foreigners have a very simple explanation for the drowsiness which often besets his majesty on the occasion of his public appearances.

Undoubtedly the common people worship the emperor himself. The educated classes give another explanation of their reverence toward him, while students laughingly repeat the gossip that somehow manages to pass the two walls and double moats of the imperial palace. I have even found a company of college-bred Japanese willing to discuss the possible future of the monarchy, in the light of the democratic tendency of the times. Nevertheless, the great bulk of the Japanese sincerely worship the emperor. His picture is in every public school and the pupils bow down to it daily. Mission schools also display the portrait and pay all possible re-

shrines and torii with never an ornament in sight. They suggest the old Hebrew tabernacle idea. At the outer gate, before which hangs a white linen curtain, the people worship. Twenty-five feet or more within this largest inclosure, which contains nothing but rough stones, carefully swept, is a second, with a gate parallel with the first, and similarly curtained. Thus far men of certain rank may penetrate, as did Field Marshal Oyama and Admiral Togo, when they accompanied his majesty on his pious pilgrimage. The emperor himself, and he alone, is permitted to enter the holy of holies.

The extreme sanctity which surrounds these shrines (there are two of identical pattern at Yamada, although called an inner and an outer shrine) is shown by the fact that when on one occasion a member of the cabinet, educated abroad, attempted to raise one of the curtains with his cane, he was followed and assassinated by a devotee, and the latter's grave became itself a shrine. The wood of which these buildings are constructed is made into relics for pilgrims, the shrines being torn down and renewed every 20 years.

The patriotic aspect of Shintoism is shown by the fact that in Ise are displayed cannon captured at Port Arthur and during the Chino-Japanese war, and other war relics are common votive offerings at the lesser shrines. Pure Shintoism is an abstraction; in practice it plays upon popular credulity and need. Here at Yamada are two sacred horses, which the spirits of the ancestors ride, and a sacred horse is an adjunct to each of the large shrines throughout the country. To feed this horse is an act of merit.

### A Shrine for Lovers.

Among the numerous charms which I have gathered up at Japanese temples, each guaranteeing safety in body and good fortune in estate, are three from the imperial shrine at Ise, which cost the munificent sum of two and a half cents for the three. These adjuncts of Japanese worship are of interest and of importance as well, for they illustrate the statement, often made, that religion here seldom rises