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National Park Convention.

According to the Amarillo Panhandle, the convention at Canyon City Tuesday in the interest of the proposed national park on the Paluduro Canyon was not as largely attended as it should have been, five counties only being represented. Donley county was not represented, but should have been. The Panhandle says:

The convention proceeded to temporary organization. Geo. L. Abbott of Canyon City was chosen as temporary chairman, and J. Ray of Hereford as secretary.

A motion prevailed that all present be declared delegates to the convention.

A committee of five on permanent organization, one member from each of the five counties represented, was appointed as follows:

Hale—W. E. Armstrong.
Potter—L. B. Mitchell.
Randall—Judge J. N. Haney.
Deaf Smith—Judge Gough.
Armstrong—James Logue.

Short but spicy addresses were made by Judge Hunt of Canyon City, Judge Penry of Amarillo, J. Ray of Hereford, Captain White of Claude, Rev. J. D. Ballard of Canyon City, and Attorney Braley of Amarillo. The speakers, one and all, deserve a full report of their apt and timely remarks, but lack of time forbids it on this occasion.

The committee on permanent organization recommended the following as permanent officers:

Judge J. N. Haney, chairman.
Vernon Beggs, secretary.
M. F. Slover, sergeant-at-arms.
Report was adopted.

A committee on resolutions was chosen as follows:

Judge Browning of Potter county, Judge Gough of Armstrong county, Captain White of Claude, Judge Hunt of Randall county and W. E. Armstrong of Hale county.

Responding to the welcome of Canyon City, Judge Browning said:

"I did not come here to make a speech. I came, like all the delegates, to express my sentiments upon this national park question. We should work together to build up our country, and any movement which aims toward this end is worthy of encouragement. There are enough delegates here to show that our people are interested in the question before us. They are representative men and they are with you in this great enterprise. We must take steps to induce the government to cast its eye in our direction to see what we have to offer—to see the natural scene of beauty and romantic splendor, and urge that it be set aside for a national park and reserve. We are peculiarly blessed with sightly surroundings, and when once we succeed in getting congress to see the opportunity offered here I am convinced we will be successful. Your people of Canyon City are to be congratulated for taking the initial step in this great movement. Let there be no discord, no jealousy. We are here on a mutual business, here to help do something. We can try and see what can be done. Many enterprises of importance have been started under less favorable circumstances than this and succeeded. We must put our shoulders to the wheel one and all and help in pushing this enterprise to success. We are all interested, every county, city and town in the Panhandle. The success of this movement means much to our entire country. We have the railroads already, we can get the interurbans and we will have the opportunity to entertain the people of the world, even Teddy himself, if we succeed in establishing this park. The government has been spending money lavishly in public improvements in the east, and we are un-

titled to something in the west. We as delegates appreciate your words of welcome, Mr. Mayor, and while we do not ask for leadership in this movement, we are ready and willing to be assistants."

Appointments of members of the executive committee will be made within the next ten days.

Record of Bailey's Defender.

Col. Frank H. Bushick is hammering Hearst in newspapers—The Post and The Record. The San Antonio Express supported Kearby and fought Culbertson; it supported McKinley against Bryan. Colonel Bushick was its managing editor. Now, the genial Colonel is preaching what he calls "straight democracy." "While the lamp holds out to burn"—well, let it go at that.—Dallas Times-Herald.

Hadley Says 2-Cent Fare Pays.

Attorney Gen. Hadley assumes to show that the Missouri Pacific had been hauling passengers, prior to the enforcement of the 2-cent passenger-rate law, for three years at a less rate than 2 cents a mile and making money out of the operation. Here is his statement:

"Railroad presidents seem to be determined to put up a 'poor mouth' about the railroad business, with out much reference to the fact. Whether they do this through force of habit, or expect to be able to mislead the public and the courts, I do not know.

"Mr. Gould, of course, as president of the Missouri Pacific, ought to know whether his road is making money, even though he has spent the last four months riding in an automobile in Europe. But when he says that the roads would save money if they would take off all their passenger trains, it is evident that somebody has been misleading him, or else he is trying to fool the public.

"According to the return made by the Missouri Pacific to the Board of Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners in this state, the average return of the Missouri Pacific for each passenger carried a mile in the years 1905 and 1906 was 1.893 cents. In the years 1904 and 1905 the Missouri Pacific, according to its own figures in the maximum freight-rate case, had net earnings in the passenger business in the state of Missouri of more than \$1,500,000. And these earnings were produced with an average revenue of not over 2 cents a mile for each passenger carried. Consequently, it is difficult for the ordinary citizen to understand how the road is being bankrupted by being compelled by law to charge in the passenger traffic a higher rate than that on which they have been making money for the last three years."

"Another interesting matter in view of Mr. Gould's doleful proclamation, is the fact that the Missouri Pacific is about to lose more money by putting on two new passenger trains between St. Louis and Kansas City. If I were a stockholder in the Missouri Pacific and believed what Mr. Gould said, I should certainly get after the Board of Directors and find out why it was that they are going to lose more money by adding more passenger trains."

Safe Dynamited.

Guthrie, Nov. 12—Unknown persons dynamited the postoffice safe at Beaver City, escaping with \$800 postal funds, in addition to a considerable registered mail. The robbers in leaving with the booty had a running fight with the town police, but escaped in the darkness. A sack containing \$50 in silver was dropped in the fight.

Men who always pay cash seldom owe an apology.

Oklahoma Postoffices.

President Roosevelt's proclamation, to be issued today, giving statehood to Oklahoma, will not change the status of the postoffices or postmasters in the new state.

Postmasters in the Indian Territory part of the new state probably will be notified to change Indian Territory for Oklahoma on their rubber stamps after the proclamation is issued, but, beyond this, there will be few formalities for the postoffices to observe.

The postoffice department has received numerous communications from postmasters in Oklahoma in reference to the change. Several years ago the department, anticipating the two territories would some time come into the Union as one state, established the system of giving no two names alike to the postoffices in the territories. As a consequence, there will be no changing of names of postoffices on account of statehood, as would be necessary in the case of Arizona and New Mexico, should they be admitted as one state.

The new state will have 1,573 postoffices, 705 being located in what is now Oklahoma and 768 in Indian Territory. Though the Indian Territory has more postoffices than Oklahoma, the latter has a majority of the presidential postoffices, having 74. Indian Territory has 59.

Oklahoma to Apply 2-Cent Rate.

The Midland Valley railroad is preparing to put into effect a 2-cent fare as soon as the statehood proclamation is issued, or as soon thereafter as it can arrange its schedules.

It is understood that other railroads in Oklahoma are getting ready to follow the lead of the Midland Valley, except the Fort Smith and Western. It is understood that the latter line will not make the 2-cent rate, as it probably will plead that it cannot successfully operate on a 2-cent fare basis.

Your Environment Might Be Worse.

Once a ship sailing from the Orient brought a very large number of caged birds. In mid-ocean one restless bird escaped from the cage. In his wild delight he swept through the air—away and away from his prison. He fairly bounded on outstretched wings. Freedom—how sweet it seemed! He disappeared across the trackless waste. After hours had passed, and to the amazement of crew and passengers, he appeared again, struggling to reach the ship on heavy wings. He settled breathlessly on the deck. Over the boundless deep he had sought the ship again—now no longer his prison, but his happy home. Like a caged bird, many a restless spirit has left an environment grown burdensome. In the aimless flight across the stormy main of life he comes back to find the old place transformed into joy and comfort. The loves that drifted from us in the long ago will return when the shadows lengthen. It may be the flight is necessary to teach a secret that is learned only when the seas are raging. The poor heart turned loose to wander alone in the storm never forgets the happy hours in affection's early morning. He cannot forget the bliss when love must whisper her secrets.—Nichols.

At Montrose, Col., Sunday night an attempt was made to assassinate Dr. Charles Beatty, a humane officer, who has been the leader in prosecuting saloon keepers on charges of selling to miners. Dynamite was exploded under a buggy in which he was riding. The rig was destroyed but Beatty was only slightly injured.

Prosperity of the Southwest.

As an indicative of prosperity in the south and west, the reports of industries on the lines of railways terminating in this territory, are conclusive.

The industrial departments of the Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain system and the Frisco submit statements showing that, under their direct supervision, more than 700 new plants, capitalized at \$28,997,700 and employing some 30,000 men, were started in the southwest in the fiscal year just closed.

On the Frisco were established 338 new plants, capitalized at \$9,000,000 and employing 12,000 men, and on the Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain system 423 new industries, capitalized at \$19,997,700 and employing about 18,000 men.

These figures cover only new companies and plants and only such concerns as were started under the auspices of these lines and really on the tracks of the two systems. But the statistics are large enough to give an idea of the rapid development which is taking place in the southwest.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas made no report on the capitalization of the new industries opened on its tracks, or of the number of men employed, but it does present details regarding the character of industrial progress. President Joline says:

"Among the more important enterprises of the year are two cotton mills, 14 cotton gins, 19 cotton warehouses, six cotton seed oil mills, eight canning factories, three corn mills, four oil refineries, two large cement plants, one large powder mill, three smelters, one car-wheel foundry, one wagon factory, two machine shops and foundries, two ice plants, four sawmills, four lumber yards, five creameries, two broom factories, one tannery, one brickyard, one cotton compress and eight grain elevators.

"It is gratifying to observe the continued flow of immigration to and settlement of the territory contiguous to the railway. Through the agency of the company's land bureau, which is an adjunct of the passenger department, 3,838 families have been located and 1,214,000 acres of land sold to homeseekers."

A Fortune in Texas Lands.

G. W. Sitter of Anna, Ill., came in yesterday on his way home from his ranch in Collingsworth and Donley counties, Texas. Eight years ago Mr. Sitter invested in this ranch, which consists of 17,230 acres of fine land. Several times since its value has doubled, and now Mr. Sitter could sell out and make a nice sized fortune on the net profit on his investment. As he is a practical farmer, he has been experimenting on his Texas ranch in raising grain and with great success. "What astonishes the old settlers down in that country," said Mr. Sitter, "is to see farmers hauling corn to town to sell and ship out. It is not a very strange sight to see a dozen wagons in line loaded with corn waiting to be weighed at the town of McLean, where they are selling the corn at a high price. This has been a very prosperous year. All kinds of crops were good, and the country is full of forage feed. Our stock looks well, and we will have an abundance of feed to carry everything through the winter."—Drover's Telegram, Kansas.

The treasury department Monday purchased 200,000 ounces of silver at 58.584 cents per fine ounce. Half is to be delivered in New Orleans and the other half in Denver.

Conference Assignments.

The assignments made at Amarillo this week of Methodist pastors left the Clarendon district very much as it was, and is as follows:

J. G. Miller, P. E. Clarendon station, W. C. Hilburn; Lelia mission, A. T. Culbertson; Memphis station, R. B. Bonner; Lake View circuit, Solon J. Upton; Claude circuit, C. A. Clark; Amarillo station, C. N. N. Ferguson; Canyon City station, M. E. Hawkins; Channing station, J. W. Hunt; Dumas circuit, J. B. Wood; Ochiltree mission, J. C. Carpenter; Hansford mission, Leslie Robeson; Dalhart station, L. O. Lewis; Stratford station, A. W. Waddill; Texline mission, T. E. Graham; Panhandle mission, W. L. Harris; Groom circuit, J. U. Mc Afee; Miami circuit, P. G. Huffman; Canadian circuit, J. M. Armstrong; Higgins station, G. F. Harris; McLean circuit, M. L. Moody; Shamrock circuit, T. B. Hilburn; Clarendon college, G. S. Slover, president, S. E. Barkhead, professor, W. B. Wilson, agent.

Plainview District—G. S. Hardy, P. E. Plainview station, T. S. Barcus, C. M. Shuffler and A. B. Roberts, supernumerary; Wright mission, G. H. Bryant; Hale Center circuit, J. A. Laney; Lubbock station, Ben Hardy; Hockley circuit, to be supplied by Eugene C. Bristol; Gomez mission, J. O. Gore, and C. H. Smith, supernumerary; Brownfield, P. E. Riley; Tahoka mission, T. A. Lisemby, Emma mission, A. H. Hussey; Post mission, to be supplied by J. L. West; Dickens mission, O. P. Clark; Floyd mission, J. W. Smith; Lockney mission, to be supplied by W. H. Carr; Matador circuit, R. L. Jameson; Turkey mission, C. D. Pipkin; Silverton circuit, to be supplied by G. R. Fort; Tulia station, J. T. Howell; Hereford station, J. W. Story; Umbarger mission, to be supplied by T. F. Robeson; Dimmitt mission, W. P. Edwards; Freona mission, V. H. Trammell.

Rev. J. Sam Barcus remains with Georgetown University, Rev. J. R. Henson is still pastor at Cisco and Rev. B. W. Dodson is pastor at Colorado City.

The next annual conference will be at Waco.

STATE NEWS.

Tom Green county will vote on local option Nov. 27.

A 3½ year-old daughter of J. R. Thomson's at Washburn fell in a vat of boiling lard last week and died from the effects Tuesday.

Amarillo is to have a local option contest, enough petitioners having already signed to force the county commissioners to order an election.

Finis Kemp, son of Wm. Kemp, 11 years old, was shot and instantly killed at Comanche Tuesday while Finis and his brother, 14 years old, were out hunting, with a double-barrel shotgun.

At Greenville Monday the Klondike restaurant burned. Loss \$1,200, insurance \$600. The building was the property of Judge Haney and valued at \$3,500, with a loss of \$2,500 and insurance to the amount of \$2,000. The Boykin building, adjoining, valued at \$4,000, was damaged to the extent of \$2,500, with insurance at \$3,000.

The boast of Galveston that it is prepared to move the entire cotton crop of Texas without a dollar of outside help is a gallant boast for a city that was lately washed almost off the map by a tidal wave. Still, as moving the cotton crop is not charity, as it is distinctly business with money in it, Galveston is likely to get more help than its gallant independence invites or cares for.—St. Louis Republic.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

PRESIDENT SHOULD SEE THAT TREASURY FUNDS ARE SENT WHERE NEEDED.

CHRONICLE Correspondence.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 11.—Officials at the treasury department express the belief that the financial situation has cleared up greatly and that the serious stage of the money stringency has passed.

Senator Heyburn of Idaho visited the president Thursday and complained that the treasury department was not handling the financial situation properly because New York was being favored at the expense of the west, and he urged the president to direct that no more money be deposited in the New York banks until those institutions shall have paid in "currency" the reserves which they hold for the western banks. The president asked the senator to put his request in writing and Mr. Heyburn laid the following note before the president:

"In behalf of the people of the western states, and especially those of the northwestern states, I would urge that no further deposits of money from the treasury of the United States be made in New York banks, except upon the condition that such banks shall immediately make available in money to the banks in such western states the full amount of the reserves held by such New York banks on account of such western banks.

"The tying up of many millions of dollars of western money, representing the reserves of the western banks held by New York banks, must inevitably result in empowering the New York banks to determine the time and conditions of a free resumption of banking functions by the western banks, whereas if the reserves of the western banks could be converted into available money at once, the financial situation of the west would be free from domination on the part of the east, and the west would become a valuable ally of the east in the restoration of desirable financial conditions rather than remain, as at present, a fellow-sufferer."

WANTS MARINE CORPS REORGANIZED.

The annual report of Brig. Gen. G. F. Elliott, commandant of the marine corps, was made public on Thursday, and in it the General sets forth the absolute necessity for a reorganization of the corps and an increase in both officers and men. The report shows that, at the present time, nearly 62 per cent. of both the commissioned and enlisted personnel of the corps are serving either on ship board, in Cuba, or in the insular possessions, leaving but 38 per cent. in the United States. It is well recognized, Gen. Elliott declares, that tropical duty, to which many of the officers and men are assigned, is of the most trying and enervating character, and it can easily be seen that the general effect of such service is bound to be demoralizing. He adds that figures of a most convincing character can be submitted to show that the conditions existing in the corps is most grave, and if permitted to continue, will militate against efficiency. The reports which have recently been received from the Philippines, more strongly than ever, point out the necessity for the removal of the marines from the old Fort San Felipe barracks, at Cavite, which are unsanitary and have been repeatedly condemned, says Gen. Elliott. An estimate of 500,000 is submitted toward the completion of the marine barracks and officers' quarters at Camacae, which is satisfactorily located so far as the navy yard at Cavite is concerned.

The banks are gradually getting over the scare that Wall Street brokers gave them.

James A. Cobb, a negro, has been appointed special assistant United States district attorney of the District of Columbia.

Forty tons of powder and shells passed through Omaha, Neb., Tuesday on its way to Gettysburg, S. D., the scene of the Indian trouble.

The Childress Post wants the tramps put to work on the streets. It says the Denver shop watchman puts off of the trains a half dozen a day.

"In God We Trust" will not be upon any United States coin designed in the future if Roosevelt can prevent it. He has written a letter, copies of which are being sent to all protesters in which he says there is no legal warrant for the motto, that it does more harm than good and comes dangerously near to sacrilege.

Five thousand marriages have been declared null and void by a court decision in Indiana. The decision is to the effect that the court which issued the licenses had no legal right to do so. Perhaps a third of those affected are now happy to the extent of from \$30 to \$150 worth. They have saved their lawyer fees in divorce suits.

No Boll Weevil in the Panhandle.

Guthrie, Ok., Nov. 13.—On recommendation of the Board of Agriculture, Governor Frantz today issued a proclamation raising the boll-weevil quarantine against certain counties in the Texas Panhandle, where investigation has shown that there are no weevils. The counties affected are:

Armstrong, Carson, Collingsworth, Dallam, Deaf Smith, Donley, Gray, Hansford, Hartley, Hemphill, Hutchinson, Lipscomb, Moore, Ochiltree, Oldham, Potter, Randall, Roberts, Sherman and Wheeler.

The quarantine, as established in October, 1906, was against the entire state of Texas.

The increase of wealth in Texas is marvelous. The state must continue to grow and prosper as long as product exceeds consumption. That the people of Texas produce more than they consume is evident to any one who stops to consider. The value of Texas crops, cotton, corn, rice, wheat, oats, hay, fruit, truck products, cattle, horses, sheep, goats, poultry dairy products, and many other crops grown in Texas not mentioned above, far exceeds in dollars and cents the amount of money expended by Texas people. Just so long as this condition exists Texas will continue to grow and prosper.—Ex.

At Salt Lake, Utah, Wednesday night 40 horses were burned and a loss of \$150,000 caused by the destruction of the Redman Van and Storage Co.'s barn and warehouse by fire. Three persons were injured by falling walls.

Farmers' Union warehouse now has over 1,000 bales of cotton stored and, counting what is being held otherwise, it is safe to say half the cotton is being held.—Childress Post.

Small boys smoking cigarettes in a barn at Parsons, Kas., Thursday caused a \$200,000 fire, including a \$30,000 stock of lumber and a \$15,000 Baptist church.

The postoffice at Chattanooga, Okla., was burglarized Wednesday night and booty amounting to \$200 and other valuables were taken.

C. E. Dubbs has moved in from the ranch and is now one of the head salesmen in the firm of Dubbs & Son.

Shoes that are neat and durable are the kind to buy. Bryan & Land have them.

Think It Over.

Tom Watson of Georgia may not be popular politically with a large number of Texas people, but occasionally he talks sense so plain that the bullseye keeps on ringing several minutes after he has stopped.

Here is the way he calls the turn on the cotton situation in the south: A bale of cotton, weighing 500 pounds, will make about 3,000 yards of calico.

To make the calico, at the present prices of cotton, will cost about \$103.50 in all.

The cotton sells at 7 cents per yard. This will be \$210 for the 3,000 yards.

Let us say that the spinner only gets an average of 5 cents a yard for his calico or \$150 for the 3,000 yards. In that case he clears a net profit of \$41.50 on each bale.

On a crop of 12,000,000 bales, the spinner will make a profit of \$498,000,000. At 4 cents per yard he clears \$216,000,000.

What do you think of that? I can understand well enough why the spinner puts himself to some expense and trouble to meet the grower in conference.

He has a natural curiosity to see what such a blamed fool looks like. The thing which puzzles the Jeffersonian is this:

How on earth does the spinner manage to keep his face straight when he meets the man that he so easily, so constantly, and so unmercifully robs?

This calico costs you from 6 to 8 cents per yard. Therefore, you sell 500 pounds of cotton for less than \$60 and buy it back at more than \$180.

No wonder you are so prosperous that all the Plute newspapers are asking you to ring the bells, light the bonfires, toot the whistles, blow the bugles, and do everything else in God Almighty's world excepting just one thing:

Don't study the construction of the trap in which you are caught. Keep on selling a bale of cotton at \$50 and buying it back at \$180. That's one way to please the privileged few who pocket the \$120 which you lose on each bale.

Of course this contains the usual Watsonian tirade against the corporation classes. The point for Texas doesn't lie there. It lies in the fact that cotton can be made profitably into calico in Texas as well as in New England. Cotton mills in Texas towns near the source of production could afford higher prices because they wouldn't have to pay freight. And there's money in the business for the stockholders in cotton mills whether they belong to the Farmers' Union or clip coupons behind a bronze case in a bank all day.

Suppose Watson's figures are too large and that the spinners' profits are only \$30 a bale. Fort Worth's trade territory west of the city produced 1,000,000 bales of cotton last year. Suppose \$30,000,000 had been earned by Texas cotton mills and the money kept circulating within this state.

These figures sound foolish, they are so large. Simple truths nearly always sound foolish at first.

Some day all of Texas is going to learn what the cotton mill business really is. It would be much better for Texans to own the mills in that day than to find them all controlled by capitalists from out side the state.

The time to get busy is now.—Fort Worth Telegram.

Prohibition for Alabama.

Securing the necessary two thirds vote of the members present, the house of representatives of Alabama passed the statutory prohibition bill Wednesday by a vote of 52 to 31. The bill prohibits the sale or giving away of intoxicating liquors after Oct. 1, 1908. The only amendment secured by the antis allows a person to give away a drink "in a purely social way."

Twenty-five thousand members of the Switchmen's Union Tuesday demanded an increase of six cents an hour. Their representatives met the managers of 23 railroad systems.

To Complete the Choctaw West From Amarillo.

Wednesday the first construction camp for the completion of the Rock Island grade west from Amarillo took up grounds four miles west of town and men and teams are now being sent to the camp. Grading outfits are now being unloaded in the yards for the work and the contractor is ready to begin actual work. In the Rock Island yards here 10,000 ties have already been unloaded and further consignments will arrive in regular order. All this material will be stocked in the Amarillo yards until needed for track laying along the line.

Under the terms of the law under which an extension of franchise was granted the Rock Island company, the first part of the extension west to be completed by May 14 of next year. As the grade built three years ago is in fairly good condition, the construction company will have no difficulty in getting the work done by that time and there will be no necessity for rush orders. High prices of material, shortage of material and labor, and the stringency in the money market all combine to make the present decidedly unfavorable railroad building. Railroad construction in the Panhandle in the winter also presents some disadvantages so the company will probably be deliberate about the work on the first part and aims to have the work well in hand next spring for the completion of the entire Tucumcari cut-off. The "buckling up" of the line through here by the Tucumcari cut-off will complete a new east and west through line which traffic and immigration men are confident will become one of the most important of all transcontinental lines.—Daily Panhandle.

Mount Pleasant Fire.

Mount Pleasant had a \$75,000 fire Thursday morning, which broke out in the second story of the bank, where the Masonic lodge has its headquarters. There was no one in any of the buildings when the fire was discovered. Had there been a strong wind the entire downtown district would have been lost.

Lack of water handicapped the fire fighters and four structures were entirely ruined and several more damaged. The spread of flames was checked after a hard three hours' fight. The largest losses follow:

Merchants' and Planters' National bank, loss \$8,500; insurance \$5,900.
Fuller, Swift & Co., loss \$15,000; insurance \$8,000.
J. M. Barkman & Co., loss \$30,000; insurance \$10,000.
Masonic lodge, loss \$6,000; insurance \$3,000.

New and better buildings will be erected on the sites of those burned. The Merchants' and Planters' bank has already obtained temporary quarters and business will be resumed at once. Although the bank lost all of its furnishings and fixtures, all the money was in vaults and was not reached by the fire.

Faster Convicts.

The state penitentiary report of Supt. J. A. Herring for October showed 3,615 convicts on hand Oct. 1; new convicts received during the month, 59; recaptured, 2; returned by sheriffs, 5; making a total of 3,681, and out of this number 86 were discharged, 25 were pardoned, 7 escaped, 8 died, 5 were delivered to sheriffs, leaving a balance on hand of 3,550 or 650 less than the previous month. These convicts are distributed as follows: State insane asylum, 14; contract forces, 1,381; share forces, 339; railroad forces, 209; Harlem state farm, 179; William Clemons state farm, 268; Wynne state farm, 40; Camp Wright, 303; W. F. Ramsey, 62; Huntsville, 447; Rusk, 408; total, 3,550.

For the best Kansas Flour, Colorado coal, cottonseed meal, bran and chops, go to L. L. Cantelou's. Hides and furs bought.

Mrs. U. Powell was in town this week making sale of country produce. It is not often that she is without chickens, turkeys, eggs, butter, or some product to sell.

Democratic National Committee.

Thursday Chairman Thomas Taggart issued a call for a meeting of the Democratic national committee at French Lick, Nov. 22.

The meeting of the committee is to settle upon the time and place of holding the national convention which will be decided at this meeting.

The cities applying for the convention are Chicago, Louisville, Cincinnati, St. Louis, St. Paul, Milwaukee, and Atlantic City.

French Lick Springs is where Tom Taggart owns the most noted gambling resort in the country.

Local Option Election for Amarillo.

The commissioners of Potter county have ordered a prohibition election to take place Dec. 3. The campaign will be short but fierce. If the saloons are voted out Amarillo may make a pretty decent city. As it is she has a hard name and her tough characters are numerous. If she rids herself of saloons and gambling joints, Dalhart will then be the only railroad town to the north of us with saloons and their accessories.

Wichita Falls is to vote on the same question Nov. 30.

Trust Co. President Suicides.

New York, Nov. 14.—Charles T. Barney, president of the Knickerbocker Trust company, committed suicide this afternoon.

The Knickerbocker Trust, which was one of the largest trust companies in this city, with liabilities between \$60,000,000 and \$70,000,000, closed its doors at the beginning of the recent financial crisis.

President Barney had long been prominent in financial life of New York and was interested in various enterprises.

His wife is a sister to the late Wm. C. Whitney, who was secretary of the navy under President Cleveland.

STATE NEWS.

For killing a dove out of season Tom C. Nolan was fined at Dallas \$10 and costs, \$46.70 all told.

J. E. Buie, a land agent of Mills Point, dangerously wounded himself by an accidental gunshot while going through a wire fence.

On the Fort Worth market last Wednesday Lewis & Molesworth sold a load of cows from Donley county, 112 of 830 at \$2.30, 30 of 801 at \$2, and 3 bulls at \$1.75.

About 250 men were laid off by the International and Great Northern railroad, all departments except the general office force being reduced, at Palestine this week.

W. C. Culwell sold on the Fort Worth market Tuesday 30 cows of 854 at \$2.55, 20 of 872 at \$2.55, 2 of 670 at \$1.50, 1 steer of 1,190 at \$3.75, and 1 heifer of 990 at \$3.25.

T. B. Curtis, night yardmaster in the Frisco yards at Fort Worth, charged with burglarizing a freight car, was acquitted Wednesday. Curtis claims to be a runaway son of Cyrus H. K. Curtis, publisher of the Ladies Home Journal, Philadelphia.

C. A. Debeck, switchman, was killed in Dallas. A freight train broke in two while he was making a coupling and he was crushed by wild cars Wednesday. Debeck lived long enough to exclaim to Harry O'Brien, yard foreman: "Take the cars off of me, Harry; I'm not dead yet. Tell mother good-by."

A negro was drowned at Manning, near Lufkin Tuesday, while being baptised by the minister of the Baptist church there. It is not known what caused the negro to drown unless it was the fact that the day was exceedingly cold and the sudden immersion in the cold water affected his heart, causing his death.

728 Acres of Land for Sale

Nine miles from Clarendon, three miles from Southard; sell all or part; 150 in cultivation, 4 room house, well and windmill, good orchard, sheds, etc.
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DUSTY ROAD PREVENTIVE.

New Method Adopted In Saxony on Macadamized Highways.

Consul T. H. Norton, writing from Chemnitz, says that a Saxon firm has introduced a new road binding composition which has been tried on the macadamized streets of Leipzig and other places with much success. The material is thus described:

It is a mixture of the heavier residual oils obtained in the distillation of coal tar with high boiling hydrocarbons. The method of mixing apparently involves a certain degree of chemical combination, in which phenol and similar constituents play a role. The manufactured material is prepared for use by heating in iron caldrons identical with those used for asphalt to temperatures ranging from 212 to 248 degrees F. (100 to 120 degrees C.). It is then sprayed evenly over the surface of a roadway with a special form of apparatus and under such high pressure that the fluid mass penetrates to a certain distance into the upper layer of dust or dirt.

The result is the formation of a compact lustrous black coating which meets the demands of heavy traffic and is not disintegrated into dust particles. A marked advantage of the new process over the methods hitherto employed for the same purpose and based upon the use of ordinary tar is the total absence of odor after the application.

Rural Delivery Notes

Of the 37,597 rural free delivery routes maintained by the postoffice department of the United States 253 are regularly served by women carriers, and there are four times that many female substitute carriers.

Congressman Lloyd of Missouri was advised recently that complete country rural delivery service has been ordered established in Adair county, Mo., effective Jan. 2, 1908. The total number of routes in the county is twenty-one, of which three routes are new.

Postmaster General Meyer was the principal guest and speaker at the recent annual outing to Marblehead, Mass., of the Essex Republican club. He said that one of his recommendations to the next congress would be a bill to establish a parcels post. He also indicated his intention to extend the rural delivery system, which he said was doing more than anything else to relieve the isolation of farmers and others living in remote country districts and thus incidentally was greatly checking insanity in these districts.

"The rural free delivery system has caused us no end of extra work," said the publisher of a trade journal that has a large country circulation. "Probably not even the postal authorities realize so clearly as the man who has a heavy country correspondence how rapidly the rural free delivery system has grown in the last two years. The books containing the address of our country correspondents and subscribers have had to be entirely overhauled. Scores of little postoffices have literally been wiped off the list, and John Smith and hundreds of other men who formerly had their mail addressed to their home village are now on route No. 2, 3 or 4 of the delivery system of a good sized town."

Market Report.

The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday: Steers \$2.60 to \$4.00. Cows \$1.40 to \$2.85. Calves \$3.00 to \$4.15. Hogs \$4.37 to \$5.10.

Winter overshoes will save leather and doctor's bills, and you can find the best articles, and rubbers for men, women and children, at Bryan & Land's.

Owing to the fact that people want medicine on Sundays same as week days you will always find some one at our store to fill your prescriptions. Fleming & Brumley.

Strayed.

One bay pony 10 or 12 years old, wearing leather headstall. Scarred on one front foot and one hind foot. Any information gladly received, and any trouble liberally paid for. Notify Bryan & Land.

Strayed or Stolen—Brown horse, about 16½ hands high, 7 or 8 years old, no brands, wire cut on left fore arm, shod all round, stands with feet close together. Liberal reward for recovery or information leading to recovery. A. H. Cowsar.

For Sale.

Seven residence lots; will make three or four nice building sites; city water near by. See us at once. STUART & GILLIAM.

A man in Clarendon once thought he owned some land, but he doesn't. He bought without an abstract and got no title. Don't buy land without an abstract. J. C. Killough & Son of the Clarendon Abstract Co., make them, and make good ones.

Reduction Sale.

Smith & Thornton have put on a special sale of shoes, hats, gents' furnishing goods and boys' clothing. From 10 to 25 per cent. off. Call and see their stock.

For Sale.

Full-blood S. C. Brown Leghorn hens, 50 cents each. MRS. N. W. HATCHETT.

Full news, with complete market reports 12 to 24 hours ahead of other newspapers, in THE FORT WORTH TELEGRAM, daily and Sunday, one year only \$3.25. "Bargain Days," Dec. 1 to 15. (Regular rates, 50c a month). Big money for real, live agents.

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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Found—Lady's tan kid glove, left at this office.

Found—Initial, 3-link pin. Call, describe and pay for noce.

George Ryan has returned from Houston.

Miss Altizer of Jericho is visiting friends in Clarendon.

Mrs. Neill is here this week visiting her mother, Mrs. Camp.

Carey Lane, of Alanreed, is visiting his parents here this week.

Charley Thornton made a business trip to Memphis yesterday.

C. W. Bennett went to Memphis on business the first of the week.

A. C. Morgan and wife contemplate an early visit in south Texas.

Mrs. H. W. Kelley is spending a week with a sister at Durant, Ok., who is ill.

D. L. Hall is finishing up a new residence on his place two miles west of town.

The Krazy Klub met with Mrs. C. W. Bennett Friday. An enjoyable time is reported.

S. E. Atterberry was injured a few days ago by being jerked by a horse and has been laid up since.

J. I. Oldham has sold 320 acres of land to L. T. Acres, of Lester, Hunt county, Tex., at \$17.50 per acre.

Mrs. P. A. Buntin and daughter, Mrs. Tom Buntin, are visiting their daughter and sister, Mrs. F. A. Simpson.

John Curtis and Miss Bessie Sparks were married at Amarillo Saturday. They will make their home there.

Lee Smith and sister, Jessie, of Rowe, left Thursday for Boaz, N. M., to put some time on a homestead claim.

Charley Fry was up from Memphis yesterday. He says buyers there are taking all the cotton they can get at 10.05.

Mr. and Mrs. Welter Farwell, of Chicago, and Miss Loring, of Washington, D. C., are guests at the J. A.'s this week.

Charles Derrick is back from a trip down in the Portales, N. M., country, where he has been buying and shipping cattle.

Mrs. Rose Van Horn was thrown from a buggy yesterday during a runaway north of the depot but was not seriously hurt.

Rev. Fred W. Galbraith, of Sherman, Texas, will preach at the Presbyterian church next Wednesday night at 7 o'clock sharp.

S. E. Bateman and family, from Houghton, La., arrived here this week and went out on one of Mr. Kimberlin's places to pick cotton.

Fred Weidman brought in his ninth bale of cotton yesterday and stored it. He has sold but one bale. He says he will gather five or six more bales.

Clarendon is to have another mercantile establishment, Mr. Geo. Archer having rented the new Mulky building, and who has already gone to market to buy a stock of goods.

A report came here last week that Mrs. Westbrook, formerly of Clarendon, died at Stamford and that Dr. Westbrook and the girls had moved back to Ft. Worth. The report, however, has not been verified and we hope it is a mistake.

The college board have concluded to erect the new building where the girl's dormitory now stands, the latter to be moved to another part of the ground. We are told that near \$10,000 of the \$50,000 to be raised outside of Clarendon has been subscribed and that some nice donations are being made. Pastor Ferguson of Amarillo is to give \$1000, Channing \$2,500, and several individuals have given liberally.

W. E. Harding, of Collin county, is here this week wanting to rent a dwelling so as to move his family to Clarendon.

S. F. Snider, the genial agent for the American National Insurance Company of Galveston, is down from Amarillo doing business this week.

Rev. J. Q. Herron of Goodnight will preach at the Baptist church at both hours Sunday. Rev. Boyett telegraphed that he could not be here Sunday, so arrangements have been made as above.

COLLEGE NOTES.

Reported for THE CHRONICLE

Rev. J. Sam Barcus, former president of the college, was in college chapel Tuesday. He had only a few minutes to talk to the students but his short talk should be remembered.

Dr. Burkhead returned Monday night and George Palmer returned Sunday night from conference.

Misses Mable Owens and Tacona Ferguson are out of school on account of sickness.

That Thanksgiving Dinner.

All the members of the Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church are urgently requested to be at the church Wednesday at 4 o'clock to make arrangements for the big Thanksgiving dinner. The church will be made comfortable by a good fire, if necessary. Don't forget the date.

The girls of the B. Y. P. U. will wait on the tables during the dinner and the guests will in nowise be neglected.

Program B. Y. P. U., Sunday November 17.

Subject—"Great Chapters of the Bible."—Leader, Miss Ruby Ryan. Scripture Lesson—1 Cor. 13:1-13.

"Love"—Paper By Miss May O'Neill. Scripture Reading—"1 Cor. 14:1-8."—Kate Brown.

Paper on "The Church in Corinth"—Mr. Jocelin. Reading—Pearl Brumley. "Short Sketch of the Life of Paul"—Miss Neely.

Memphis.

Reported For THE CHRONICLE

Art Stewart has returned from Hereford, where he has spent the summer.

Henry Wheeler and wife spent Sunday in Clarendon.

R. P. Brice has been appointed local deputy game warden.

Mrs. E. L. Houghton has returned from Washington, Norfolk and the far East. She reports a most pleasant trip.

J. S. Grundy received a nice "brand new" bus Saturday, and will meet all trains. This is something Memphis has needed for some time.

D. B. Halcomb and wife have moved to Meridan, Texas.

Mrs. R. M. Hardwick was called to Ponder, Tex., by the sickness of her son, who is station agent at that place.

Joe J. Mickle and wife have been attending conference in Amarillo. We are having cold weather. Heavy frosts and ice every morning.

J. B. Beard has bought a half block of J. D. Bird, paying \$650 for it. M. C.

The Globe's Voting Contest for a \$75 Diamond Ring and a \$40 Ladies' Gold Watch.

Below we give the total number of votes at the close of the count today, Wednesday, Nov. 13, 1907:

Miss Minnie Thorp	3993
Miss Bessie Caraway	3479
Miss Marion Barnett	3256
Miss Ethel Heister	3341
Mr. Chas. McMurtry	3203
Miss Ruth Atteberry	1726
Miss Mora Denton	1678
Mrs. Ora Liesburg	1038
Miss Lena Davis	866
Miss Tugwell	831
Miss Fay Dodson	582
Miss Avis Baldwin	379

Respectfully,
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Fresh mackerel at Bryan & Land's.

Just received, a nice lot of Greely potatoes, at Bryan & Land's.

An Improved Light Plant.

Manager Kemp of the Clarendon Electric Light and Water Co. informs us that he has a letter from Gen. Manager Chase that he has purchased a 100-horse power compound combustion oil engine, a new dynamo, switchboard and other improved machinery for the Clarendon plant, and that shipment will be made as soon as the factory can send it out. Mr. Kemp says it will perhaps be six or eight months before this new plant can be installed, but in the meantime a car load of poles will be purchased and other line material, which will be placed so as to be ready for the new machinery. He also says that, although running at a loss with the present machinery, he will give the best service possible, giving light of cloudy mornings and evenings, as needed.

Both Mr. Chase and Mr. Kemp seem more than willing to give all that is fair in a good public service. They have spent a great deal of cash here in making improvements and show their faith in the future of the town by being willing to put in new machinery, entire.

Never before was there greater need for life insurance protection than right now, when men of wealth, the sturdy farmer, men on salary and laboring men are all of one mind, looking for safe investments as well as protecting what they already have from being lost in these times of hysteria. Life insurance protects what you already have and provides for your family ready cash when death comes—and it is sure to come to all some day—and who would need it more than the family that had been used to much while the father and husband was able to earn it? Then the cash would be a friend indeed. The American National Insurance Company of Galveston offers the very best in these lines, and is the leading insurance company of Texas.

S. F. Snider, general agent, with headquarters at Amarillo, is here for a few days to assist you and give any information you may desire. Call on him at Atterberry hotel. It will not put you under any obligations to ask about the safest and best protection to be had anywhere.

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All the latest post cards at Stocking's.

Some very nobby suits for men left at Dubbs'. Positively at cost.

School shoes at a bargain at Rathjen's store.

For the best up-to-date jewelry go to Clowers. New stock just in.

Up-to-date school shoes at Rathjen's store. Are selling cheap.

Go to Dubbs' for bargains on chinaware.

Winter lap robes and horse blankets for sale at Rutherford & Davis'.

Rathjen gives a well-filled pencil book with each pair of school shoes sold.

Ladies, get your boys' suits at cost. We are closing out this line, at E. Dubbs & Sons'.

Cut glass sets, the nicest in the Panhandle, on sale at Fleming & Bromley's.

Jewelry of the best quality, newest pattern and beautiful in design at Clower's. Be sure and see his new watches, lockets, pins, etc.

Place your order for fresh meat with the City Meat Market, near Carroll building. W. I. Lane proprietor. Phone 17.

All kinds and prices of jewelry. If you don't see what you want we will order it, E. Dubbs & Sons.

I am now running a light delivery wagon and can give prompt and careful service in hauling. Also dealer in coal and hides. Phone 3. M. F. LEE.

The snappiest line of Dorothy Dodd shoes for ladies just received. J. H. Rathjen

For bargains in real estate and city property see Kersey & Martin. Successors to John E. Crisp, Clarendon, Tex.

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MRS. JENNIE DECKER.

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I have for sale some young sows, to bring pigs by registered poland china male. Price reasonable. Also some mammoth Bronze turkeys at only \$3.50 per pair if sold now.

R. BOWLIN.

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LOOKING FOR SLIGHTS.

There are some people always looking out for slights. They cannot pay a visit, they cannot even receive a friend, they cannot carry on the daily intercourse of the family, without suspecting some offense is designed. They are as touchy as hair triggers. If they meet an acquaintance on the street who happens to be pre-occupied with business they attribute his abstraction to some motive personal to themselves, and take umbrage accordingly. They lay on others the fault of their own irritability. A fit of indigestion makes them see impertinance in everybody they come in contact with. Innocent persons who never dreamed of giving offense, are, by momentary taciturnity, mistaken by an insult. To say the least, the habit is unfortunate. It is far wiser to take the more charitable view of our fellow beings, and not suppose a slight is intended unless the neglect is open and dirty. After all, life takes its hue, in a great degree, from the color of our own mind. If we are frank and generous, the world treats us kindly. If, on the contrary, we are superstitious, men learn to be cold and cautious to us. Let a person get the reputation of being touchy, and everybody is under more or less restraint; and in this way the chances of an imaginary offense are vastly increased. People who fire up easily miss much happiness. Their own comfort as well as that of their friends. They have always some fancied slight to brood over.

VACANCIES.

Vacancies have a mission. What has not? There is something in everything to be a chariot for thought. Even the absence in the home of a familiar object may set in motion the wheel on which thought swiftly rides. That vacant chair carries the mind back to your school days or the old homestead; to merry rambles over green meadows and tufted pastures, through shady groves; to your favorite seat on some mossy bank that was kept green by a little brook that bubbled by it; to the swig under the great maple that used to stand in the yard; and by-and-by you go quietly to the drawer and take out a little square case just large enough to hold a treasure, open it and gaze thoughtfully on a picture. Then you feel something rising from the heart, and a pearly tear steals slyly down your cheek. No one saw it; you saw no one; yet you felt that you had met a loved one; saw a smile upon the lip that had often returned your carresses. You put away the picture and go about your regular duties happier, better for having thus seen and felt some of the joys of the past.

Nothing annoys a man more than to be eagerly questioned when he comes home tired. Give him a neatly served dinner or a pair of easy slippers and a cup of tea and let him eat and drink in peace, and in time he will tell you of his own proper notion all you wish to know. But if you begin the attack too soon the chances are that you will be rewarded by curtly spoken monosyllables. Put down this item in your note book, girls; and it will serve you well some day.

Stop grumbling. Get up two hours earlier in the morning and do something out of your regular profession. Mind your own business and with all your might let other people's alone. Live within your means. Give away or sell your dog. Go to bed early. Talk less of your own peculiar gifts and virtues and more of those of your friends and neighbors. Be cheerful. Fulfill your promises. Pay your debts. Be yourself all you would see in others. Be a good man and stop grumbling.

Some men stumble over straws in the road to heaven, but climb over hills on the road to destruction.

Pro. Votes Destroyed.

In a contested election case at Baird Tuesday a recount of the votes was ordered by the court and it developed that the Clyde box could not be found. This box gave a large majority for prohibition and a failure to count it would change the result and put the anti ahead. During the day there was something doing by the county officials and later the missing box was found in a pasture half a mile from Baird where evidence given in court showed it had been several weeks, with the ballots scattered over the pasture and bullet holes in the ballot box. The case was decided in favor of the pros. The anti attorneys gave notice of appeal to the court of appeals at Fort Worth.

Tom, Charlie and Jim Wyckliffe, the three Cherokee outlaws who after killing a deputy marshal, have defied the efforts of the government to capture them for over a year, have announced that they will voluntarily surrender at Tahlequah today immediately after the statehood propaganda is issued and the present regime of marshals in Indian Territory is out of office. The surrender of the Wyckliffes will be one of the statehood celebrations at Tahlequah. Through their friends they have conducted negotiations with the county officers-elect of Cherokee county, made arrangements to give bond, and in all probability they will not go to jail at all, but will be released upon their bond.

Maple Falls, Wash., has a 75-year-old man who has never permitted his hair to be trimmed. He wears long locks, which hang nearly to the ground. He is a powerfully-built man, and stands 6 feet 5 inches. The man is John Fitzpatrick, 75 years of age, and who, though so old, can lift a barrel of salt, weighing 270 pounds, at arm's length over his head. One of his recent feats of strength was at the Yakima county fair, when in the presence of many persons, he picked up a granite boulder, which, when previously weighed, tipped the scales at 450 pounds. He raised the huge oblong stone in his arms, carried it 40 feet and loaded it into a wagon box with no assistance.

An old farmer says: If you will sprinkle sulphur on your barn floor and through your corn as you gather it, there will not be a rat or mouse to bother. A pound of sulphur is sufficient for a large barn of corn or oats. Besides, the sulphur is good for stock, and does not injure the corn for bread.

David M. Ferry, head of the seed firm which bears his name and prominent in Detroit, Mich., business enterprises, was found dead in bed at his home Monday. He retired Sunday night apparently in good health, and died from heart disease during the night.

Miss Anna Gould denies the report that she is engaged to be married to Prince Hello DeSagan or to any one else.

English Coal in the Old Days.

In former times England did not hesitate to regulate the sale of coal in the interests of the poor. In 1655, when the duty on coal in London was 1 shilling (25 cents) a chaldron (generally thirty-six bushels), Cromwell granted the city corporation a license to import 400 chaldrons duty free every year for the poor-citizens. At the same time it was provided that the city companies should lay up stores of coal in summer (from three to 675 chaldrons, as they were able), to be retailed in the winter in small quantities. And in order to prevent extortion, conspiracy and monopoly retail dealers were prohibited under penalties from contracting for coal or meeting the coal vessels before they reached London.

The Black Cap Judge.

Judge Hawkins, an English judge of the last century, who was a horse man, was reminded even on the race course of his reputation as a hanging judge. His friend, Lord Falmouth, was running two horses in the same race under maple colors, and to distinguish the second he ordered Amber, the jockey, to wear a black cap. But a black cap was nowhere to be found at the moment when the race was due. At this moment Judge Hawkins emerged from the "bird cage" and was recognized by Archer, who shouted out to Fordham: "We are all right now. Here comes Harry Hawkins, and he is sure to have a black cap in his pocket!"

COUNTRY HIGHWAYS.

Value of Good Roads and Cost of Poor Ones.

WHAT THE FARMER LOSES.

No Tax So Great as Unimproved Highways, Which Drive People to the City, Wear Out the Horses and Decrease Value of Property.

In an address on the improvement of country highways at a good roads convention a speaker said: "The improvement of country roads is chiefly an economical question, relating principally to the waste of effort in hauling over bad roads, the saving in money, time and energy in hauling over good ones, the initial cost of improving roads and the difference in the cost of maintaining good and bad ones."

A good road economizes time and force in transportation between the farms and the market, reduces wear on horses, harness and vehicles, increases the value of real estate contiguous to the roads and brings prices for farm products, because they can be marketed at less expense. Rural homes are sought after along good roads. Wagon highways are the greatest arteries of commerce. Civilization is judged by the condition of the roads. No tax is as great on the taxpayer as bad roads. A bad road is a heavy tax on those who use it, and the worse the road the heavier the tax. Bad roads cause a decay of agriculture. They impose the greatest of all burdens on the farmer. The roads cause people to gather in the cities. Bad roads wear out the horses very rapidly, thus detracting very largely from the profits of the farm.

The man with the hoe—the farmer—wants good roads so that he may bring his produce to market and his family



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and himself to the neighboring town with less expenditure of time, wear and tear and trouble. In sections of the country where the farmer has good roads he would not lose them for more than their cost and go back to the old system of having to haul through the mud and over the stones. He finds that the value of his property is increased, and he can haul two-yes, three-times greater load in less time to market and that he is richer and better because of the good road which connects his property with the neighboring town.

This cost of hauling is a heavy tax on the farmers, much of which could be saved. The amount paid out which could be avoided by good roads is absolutely lost. The farmers are unable to recover it in any way. It is a part of their expense which they must deduct from the gross returns on the sale of their products, and the only way that it can be avoided is by the construction of roads that would enable farmers to haul heavier loads in less time.

Narrow tires and mud roads should speedily be sent hand in hand, as it were, "glimmering through the dream of things that were."

Roads for Automobilists.

It appears to have occurred to many that separate roads for automobiles to travel over is the solution of the great problem caused by reckless motorists. The question is one which is now receiving a good deal of attention, and numerous projects for the establishment of motor speedways have been projected or talked about, says Good Roads Magazine. The emperor of Germany, who is an enthusiastic automobilist, has taken up the question and as an experiment is having two roads built through his estates. These roads are twenty-three miles long and thirty-six feet broad and are constructed with cement. They are used exclusively by automobiles and are intended as an experiment. The success or failure of this experiment will be noted with much interest in the United States.

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