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## The National Political Outlook

As the weeks roll by public interest concentrates itself upon the presidential election.

One of the most remarkable features of the national situation is the steady growth of the Roosevelt-Taft power, and the no less steady decline of Bryan. Gathering into his own following nine tenths of the millions of voters who believe in the absolute and urgent necessity for radical reforms—but who are opposed to socialism and anarchy—Mr. Roosevelt is today the unquestioned chief of the Jeffersonian democrats and Lincolnian republicans. In all parties he is recognized as a statesman who is better than his party machine, and better than his platform. Throughout the Union he is recognized as a practical administrator of tireless energy, determined purpose and honest intentions.

And next to Roosevelt comes Taft. Nobody questions his ability, his courage, his integrity, or his patriotism. Wherever he has been tried—which is everywhere—Mr. Taft has proven himself a successful practical administrator. As fully identified with his chief as a lieutenant could possibly be, Mr. Taft would be accepted by the country as the true and lineal heir of the Roosevelt prestige and policies.

But will the American people be content with a Roosevelt candidate upon the idea that he is "just as good" as Roosevelt?

We do not believe it. For two years we have felt certain that Mr. Roosevelt would be his own successor, and we see no reason now for changing that opinion.

As to the democrats, there is no cohesion, no general plan of action, no distinctive measures upon which they can unite, no constructive program of reform with which they are identified, no leader to whom they are harmoniously loyal.

What does the national democratic party stand for?

Nobody knows

And few, perhaps, care to know.

With a notorious gambling hell keeper at the head of the machinery of the party, a man who holds his power in his own state by virtue of his corrupt control of the negro vote of Indianapolis—how could any intelligent self-respecting man have any confidence in the national democratic party?

Study the make up of the national democratic executive committee; see how it is controlled by August Belmont, the Rothschild agent and national banker; by Cord Meyer, of the sugar trust; by William Sheehan, the notorious corporation boodler. With such Wall street magnates in power in the democratic party, what hope is there for the masses of the plain common people? None whatever. Democratic success in 1908 would mean just what it did in 1892—a grand surrender to the democratic trusts and corporations.

Who can forget how the sugar trust gave Cleveland's campaign management \$500,000? Who can forget that Cleveland's second administration paid back the debt by giving the sugar trust a change in the tariff rate which enabled the Havemeyer and Cord Meyer & Co. to plunder the American consumer to the extent of \$45,000,000 per year?

Who can forget that Havemeyer himself went to Washington to enforce his claims, and that Senator Gorman took personal charge of the matter for the sugar trust? Who will ever forget that Cleveland's cabinet officer, John G. Carlisle, wrote, with his own hand, the sugar schedule of the Wilson-Gorman tariff bill, just as Havemeyer had said he must have it?

And the sugar trust, represented by Cord Meyer, is still in possession of the machinery of the national democratic party!

As to Bill Sheehan, who is also on the national committee, his career as a tool of marauding corporations and Wall street thieves is too well known to require specifications. On the committee he represents Tammany Hall, and Tammany Hall represents such stock gamblers and jugglers as Thos. F. Ryan, J. P. Morgan, August Belmont and the Standard Oil group.

Again we ask, what have the plain, common people to hope from the national democratic committee? Nothing—and Mr. Bryan knows it.

If the various democratic states were concentrating upon some independent fearless leader—like Tom Johnson (democrat) of Ohio, or La Follette (republican) of Wisconsin—there would be some evidence of sincerity of purpose. But Mr. Bryan has again horned off the track everybody but himself, and has again made inevitable a disastrous defeat.

In 1896, he might have been elected had he lived up to the contract which his chairman, Jones, made with the populists of St. Louis. But he was infatuated by the idea of capturing the east, and therefore did not disclaim the brutal blunder of Chairman Jones when he publicly insulted the populists; nor would he so much as condescend to remain in Nebraska at the time when Mr. Watson was stumping it for him and pleading with the populists to vote for him.

In 1900, he merely reaped the logical results of his error in the preceding campaign.

In 1904 he made a magnificent start, fighting Wall street, its policy and its candidate—only to surrender, ingloriously, at St. Louis.

For 20 years Mr. Bryan has been a talker. His entire career is composed of oratory. The Alpha and Omega of Bryanism is talk, talk, talk.

There is not a line on the national statute book which owes its origin to Mr. Bryan. There is not a state law in Nebraska that owes its paternity to Bryan; not a single measure of practical statesmanship has he ever inaugurated anywhere. This is the literal fact.

The famous "crown of thorns, cross of gold" sentence was a quotation. The political principles which he accuses Roosevelt of having stolen from him, were stolen by him, from the populists and greenbackers and labor unionists. Mr. Bryan has not only never originated a political idea, but he has never even been the original importer of foreign goods. To the last shred of his political wardrobe, he has appropriated the garments of pioneers who blazed the trails along which the brilliant Nebraskan has marched to riches and influence. Where the pioneer reformers met persecution and died in oblivion, Mr. Bryan has found honor and wealth.

Where the old greenbackers, labor unionists and populists were crucified, as martyrs, Mr. Bryan has been crowned as a hero. Where they struggled and endured cruel poverty he has bounded into fame and become a millionaire.

So goes the world—but the decree which so rules matters is hard.

Mr. Bryan will again be nominated and will again be beaten. He has lost the radicals, partly because of his unheroic surrender to Wall street in 1904, partly because of his retreat on the railroad question, partly because of his proposition to have the government become guarantor for national bank deposits, and partly because of his butting into state politics, always on the side of the corrupt democratic machine.

Twice has he thrust himself into Kentucky state politics, and on each occasion he threw his influence to the machine.

Another factor is "The Independent League" of Wm. R. Hearst.

Of course, this alleged league is the personal property of Mr. Hearst. He has copyrighted the name and he controls the organization just as he controls his newspapers. When the Independent League holds a "convention," somebody reads the platform, which Mr. Hearst has written beforehand, and this platform "goes."

There is no discussion, no amendment, no abridgement.

If any gentleman has a ready-made eulogy to pronounce on Hearst or his platforms, he is free to speak.

In that manner his name will find its way into the Hearst newspapers; but if he does not like the platform, he might as well withdraw. The platform must stand, just as Mr. Hearst wrote it. The "convention" can debate, deliberate and decide—but the decision must coincide with that of the owner of the copyrighted name—else why own the copyright?

Can a one-man party of this character become a controlling factor in national politics? We do not think so. We do not believe that any considerable number of self-respecting men will join a party which is the personal property of any single individual, no matter who he is.

The thing is too foreign to American ideas of individuality and independence.

The great American public is not to be poured into the funnel of any single citizen—however rich and good and great.

Besides, Mr. Hearst has already demonstrated his willingness to throw the support of the Independent League first to one of the old parties and then to the other. We do not believe that unscrupulous management of that kind will commend itself to that better element of American manhood to which appeal must be successfully made, if the country is to be redeemed from political corruption and corporation greed.

In the meantime, the prohibitionists, the socialists and the populists are preparing to put out straight tickets. So much the better. Anything is preferable to the detestable system of only two big political parties. Whenever politics get down to that, the logical and unavoidable consequence is that the privileged few will divide themselves in such a manner that they, the exploiters of Special Privilege, will control the machinery of both big parties.

Ah, what a fat time the few have had manipulating both the democratic and republican parties since the civil war!

And the victims, the plundered millions of toilers, have been so blind!

But the end of that era is at hand—Watson's Jeffersonian.

Members of the evangelical churches who often sing the simple, touching hymns of Ira D. Sankey may not know that the famous partner of the late D. L. Moody is now over 70 years old and a help less invalid at his home in Brooklyn. Added to this affliction his eldest son has become insane from a religious mania and is now in an asylum.—Telegram.

The first flag bearing forty-six stars that floats over the National Capitol will become the property of the Oklahoma Historical Society. A bill making this disposition of this particular Old Glory was passed by the Senate Monday upon motion of Senator Gore of Oklahoma.

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## No Use for a Mudslinger.

Years ago, just two weeks after Grover Cleveland had been inaugurated president for the first time, James G. Blaine, his defeated opponent, went to the White House and into the Cleveland presence. It became known afterward that Mr. Blaine told Mr. Cleveland that he came to ask a favor, only one favor of the administration. Then the defeated one told the president that he hoped sincerely that a certain man in Maine, a democrat, would not be given the office that it was known he craved.

Mr. Blaine told Mr. Cleveland that the campaign of the summer and fall previous had been a campaign of personal abuse of mudslinging in which neither party chief had a part and which both discontinued. The Maine man whom Mr. Blaine wished to have denied the office that he sought was the man who in large part was responsible for certain stories concerning the early personal life of Blaine, which, even had they been true, never should have seen print.

Mr. Cleveland's answer to Mr. Blaine on that occasion was never known in its exact form, but this much was known, the Maine mudslinger asked for his office only to have the request met with point-blank denial.—Washington correspondence Chicago Post.

## Knocks Out Express Agents as Whiskey Agents.

After an extended hearing of exhaustive arguments by members of the senate committee on judiciary, that committee Tuesday agreed upon a bill dealing with the shipments of liquors from one state or territory to another state or territory. The measure is to be reported by Senator Knox, who is chairman of the subcommittee which conducted the hearings. It is comparatively simple in form and provides there can be no "collect on delivery" packages of liquor shipped in interstate commerce where fictitious names are used. The name of the consignor and consignee must be stated plainly. The provision is designed to eliminate the practice of railroad and express companies acting as agents for liquor houses.

## Don't Get Hot Over It.

We have seen so many and such frantic appeals from the newspapers for peace and moderation on the Bailey question that it has grown stale, and we feel like advising every man to whip every other man who disagrees with him, and furthermore, to challenge the whole state of Texas for a duel, just for a change, you know. People naturally like a change, and we believe they would appreciate advice given along the line above indicated.—Clarksville Times.

Some of the scares appear to be merely shrewdly conceived political schemes of evasion. There may be some merit in the contention that the best way to settle differences is to fight them out. But political differences are not lasting. Men swap sides and stand shoulder to shoulder today with those who were political opponents yesterday.

Any two men who fight over politics make it plain that their tempers are hotter than their memories are long. Stand by your principles, but do not sacrifice your friends.—Dallas News.

The president Monday sent to the senate the name of John S. Leech of Illinois to be public printer.

Moving picture shows in Dallas which have heretofore been giving vaudeville features in connection with their performances have been served notice by the police department that the vaudeville features must be eliminated Sundays in the future.

## WATSON FOR PRESIDENT

People's Party Places Him at Head of Ticket.

## WILLIAMS RUNNING MATE

Though in Hopeless Minority Nebraska Delegation Withdrew Before Making of Nominations, Saying Bryan Will Be Supported if Selected at Denver.

St. Louis, April 4.—For president of the United States, Thomas E. Watson of Georgia.

For vice president of the United States, Samuel Williams of Indiana.

The above ticket was nominated Friday by the People's party convention after two stormy sessions. The Nebraska and Minnesota delegations, working in the interest of Hon. W. J. Bryan, strove desperately to bring about an adjournment of the convention until after nominations had been made by the Democrats and Republicans. Although hopelessly outnumbered, and without any chance whatever of gaining their object, the Nebraska men fought desperately to the last, and when Jay W. Forrest of Albany, N. Y., mounted the platform to place Watson in nomination they withdrew from the convention, attended by the Minnesota delegation, which consisted, however, of only one man, T. J. Weighan. If Bryan is nominated at Denver the men who walked out of the convention will support him, and they declare that the Populists of Ne-



THOMAS E. WATSON.

braska will do so to a man.

Thomas E. Watson is known throughout the country. Samuel Williams is a resident of Vincennes, Ind., where he has practiced law for many years. He is sixty-two years of age, and has always been more or less an active participant in politics. He was at one time a Democrat, but has been identified with the Populist party since its creation.

At a meeting of the new national committee, James H. Ferris of Joliet, Ill., was re-elected chairman, and Jay W. Forrest of Albany, N. Y., was chosen vice chairman.

The following is the platform: The People's party of the United States, in convention assembled at St. Louis, Mo., this, the second day of April, 1908, with increased confidence in its contentions, reaffirms the declarations made by the national convention at Omaha.

The admonitions of Washington's farewell, the state paper of Jefferson and the words of Lincoln are the teachings of our greatest apostles of human rights and political liberty. There has been a departure from the teachings of those great patriots during recent administrations. The government has been controlled so as to place the rights of property above the rights of humanity, and has brought the country to a condition that is full of danger to our national well-being. Financial combinations have had too much power over congress and too much influence with the administration departments of the government. Prerogatives of government have been unwisely and too often corruptly surrendered to corporate monopoly and aggregations of predatory wealth.

The issuing of money is a function of government, and should not be delegated to corporation or individual. The constitution gives the congress alone the power to issue money and regulate the value thereof. We therefore demand that all money shall be issued by the government direct to the people, without the intervention of banks, and be a full legal tender for all debts, public and private, and in quantities to supply the necessity of the country.

The public domain is a sacred heritage of all the people, and should be held for homesteads for the people. Alien ownership should be forbidden, and lands now held by aliens, or by corporations which have violated the conditions of their grants, should be restored to the public domain. To prevent unjust discrimination and monopoly the government should own and control the railroads and those public utilities which in their

nature are monopolies. To perfect the postal service the government should own and operate the general telegraph and telephone systems and provide a parcels post.

As to those trusts and monopolies which are not public utilities, or natural monopolies, we demand that those special privileges which they now enjoy, and which alone enable them to exist, should be immediately withdrawn. Corporations, being the creatures of government, should be subjected to such governmental regulation and control, as will adequately protect the public. We demand the taxation of monopolistic privileges while they remain in private hands to the extent of the value of the privileges granted.

As a means of placing all public questions immediately under the control of the people, we demand that legal provision be made under which the people may exercise the initiative and referendum and proportional representation and direct vote for all public officers, with the right of recall.

We believe in the right of those who labor to organize for their mutual protection and benefit, and pledge the efforts of the Populist party to preserve this right inviolate. We condemn the recent attempt to destroy the power of trades unions through the unjust use of the Federal injunction substituting government by injunction for free government.

The platform also declares in favor of postal savings banks, legislation improving the conditions of wage earners and prohibiting child labor; advocates exclusion of pauper immigrant labor; favors the eight-hour work day and an employers' liability law; demands inauguration of public works to provide employment for the needy during industrial depression; commends the various farmers' co-operative movements and demands legislation which will prevent minor Federal courts from usurping the functions of the state governments.

## GIVEN SEA TURTLE.

### President Roosevelt Is Recipient of Novel Gift.

Washington, April 3.—President Roosevelt has been the recipient of gifts of nearly every conceivable description from personal friends and others, but it remained for a Nicaraguan to present him with the most novel gift of all. A monstrous sea turtle weighing 350 pounds, a product of Nicaraguan waters, has been presented to the president by Colonel James Dietrick of Grand River Station, Nicaragua, who happens, also, to be a personal friend of President Zelaya of that republic.

## EXPULSION FROM EXCHANGE.

### This Action Taken Against Firm of Cotton Brokers and Exporters.

New Orleans, April 3.—Ernesto Gussol and Luigi Catolli composing the firm of Gussol & Co., cotton brokers and exporters, were expelled from the New Orleans exchange Thursday. The expulsion was announced publicly and officially on the floor of the exchange Thursday afternoon. The firm has been among the most prominent of cotton exporting firms in this country. No other reason than that the by-laws of the exchange had been given. No statement about the cause of the expulsion was made by the exchange Thursday except that the brokers were charged with violation of article 8 of the cotton exchange constitution. Article 8 provides for the expulsion or suspension of members guilty of fraudulent breach of contract. A receiver recently was appointed for the firm of Gussol & Co. on application of creditors.

## STRANGE SUICIDE REASON

### Woman Drowns Because Canine Met Untimely End.

Millville, N. J., April 3.—Brooding over the death of her pet dog, Mrs. Hanna Willis threw herself into the Richmond mill pond near her home and drowned.

Several weeks ago while Mrs. Willis was crossing a railroad track a train struck and killed her pet. The shock so unnerved her that her physician feared for her reason.

## REVERTS TO STATE.

### Attorney General West So Rules in Matter of Liquor Seizures.

Oklahoma City, April 3.—Sheriff Garrison has received instructions from Attorney General West to the effect that all liquor seized by his men in recent raids will be turned over to the local dispensary agents when appointed and will be sold by the state. Sheriff Garrison said he had in his possession whisky, wines and beer valued at \$2,000. It has been inspected by Charles Howard, internal revenue inspector, and is pronounced of the best quality.

## String of Elevators.

Hooker, Okla., April 3.—It is announced that the Liberal Elevator company of Liberal, Kan., will build a string of elevators on the Rock Island. The towns of Tyrone, Hooker, and Guymon are the sites. The elevators at each town will be of the capacity as the one at Liberal. The present conditions for a good wheat crop are encouraging for the building of elevators.



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Two different sets of railroad promoters visited Jacksboro this week with proposals to build through there and out in this direction. If all the roads are built that bonus hunters propose, West Texas will soon be gridironed with them.

It is now said that Evelyn Nesbit Thaw has sent an agent from Pittsburg to California to buy a ranch. She intends on her return from a prolonged trip to Europe to bury herself on this California ranch and live a life of quiet and ease, her friends say. She may buy the ranch and live on it, but we hardly believe she will bury herself in quietude. She is not built that way.

The Fort Worth Telegram keeps up pretty well with Panhandle affairs and has been noting the discussion of the Panhandle press on sugar beets. It says: "An interesting example of fraternalism between states may now be witnessed in the Panhandle. The Colorado organizer of the Farmers' Union is making speeches on the opportunities of sugar beet raising even though when the Panhandle gets on its working clothes it will be a beet sugar rival to Mr. Dunn's own state."

The Fort Worth Record, the Children's Post and other Bailey papers are raising a howl about the anti-Bailey supplements sent to publishers. This was begun first by the Baileysites. Mr. Kennedy, of Waco, sent out enquiries just prior to the Waco convention asking for quotations for display space, for readers and for mailing supplements, not only supply them free, but pay for their being mailed out. This paper received such a letter. Not only that, but the Record press at Fort Worth is being used for printing tons of Bailey matter purely. Wonder if the money that pays for all this has the scent of oil?

Why do people mourn their lot in life when comparing it with those of the wealthy? They have their troubles. Look at the proportionally large number of divorces and family estrangements among them. When we get at the bottom of the question it is doubtful if there is a millionaire in the country who has observed the golden rule in the amassing of his fortune. He has lobbied legislation; he has beaten the people out of franchises; he sold impure food; he has inferior goods in the market; he has sold at extortion prices; he has paid starvation wages. When the time comes for our head to press our death pillow it will be a great satisfaction to know that we have never knowingly wronged our fellow man. All of life is not in piling up dollars.

We have taken up considerable space this week with the article from Watson's Jeffersonian Magazine, which came out before the late populist convention, giving Watson's view of the political situation. As Mr. Watson says, the democratic party is not a united party, and until it is there is little chance for them to win in a national contest. The masses of the voters are not going to vote with a party that is dominated by eastern trust magnates, and Mr. Watson points out who some of them are. As yet, there has been no intimation from Mr. Watson as to whether or not he will accept the nomination. Samuel W. Williams, the candidate for vice-president, is a resident of Vincennes, Ind., where he has practiced law for many years. He is 62 years of age, and has always been more or less of an active participant in politics. He was at one time a democratic member of the Indiana legislature, but has been identified with the populist party since its creation.

Cabbage and Collard Plants now ready. T. JONES & Co.

**Scurrilous Attack of Bailey Paper on Davidson.**

Austin, April 9.—James P. Hart, who is in charge of the R. V. Davidson headquarters, Wednesday gave out the following telegram from Attorney General Davidson, who is at Washington:

To the people of Texas: The Austin Statesmen of last Saturday, which has just reached me, publishes a scurrilous attack on my personal character, charging in substance that I own and control certain property in Galveston and am renting same for immoral purposes. The letter recited therein reached me on the eve of my departure for Washington. The truth is, I do not own the property referred to, nor did I personally rent or lease it to anybody. It is part of an estate that came as an inheritance to members of my family and is substantially in the same condition in which I, as executor, found it. I have been too busy attending to the manifold duties of my office to ascertain the morals of the persons who rent or occupy it. The rents do not go to me, but to the payment of debts and taxes for which this property is liable.

The charges that I am encouraging or protecting houses of ill repute is unqualifiedly and maliciously false. I have lived almost a lifetime in Galveston. There I married my wife and also reared my family. I have always led a clean and moral life, of which I am willing to be judged by my neighbors and those who know me best. I have telegraphed my attorney at Galveston, if such be the fact, to evict any tenant, who may be using any of this property for immoral purposes. I am in Washington to submit to the supreme court of the United States one of the cases against the Waters-Pierce Oil company. The people of Texas, will know why this malicious attack is made upon me, particularly at this time. There are certain combinations in Texas who have resolved that I shall be defeated for re-election as attorney general, regardless of the means to bring about that result. R. V. DAVIDSON.

Three hundred men, facing starvation, went to the Chicago city hall Wednesday morning and demanded work. It was refused and they marched to the sidewalk, refusing to leave. Trouble is threatened. After the police threatened to club the men they dispersed. Many of the men were weak from hunger and said they had been unemployed for months.

The candidates for delegates at large on the Bailey ticket are all office holders except one and he has been. The Terrill election law prohibits an office holder from being a Democratic executive committee man and it could have for bidden office holders being delegates to conventions for the same reasons.—Jacksboro News.

Snyder, Ok., had a fire loss Thursday morning of \$15,000 to \$20,000. The Bank of Snyder, the oldest financial institution in the town, was burned out. Watson's grocery, Adams' restaurant and two large storehouses were completely destroyed.

Texas is in an uproar from the gulf to the Panhandle, and from the Sabine to the Rio Grande; all for what? That one man may or may not go to the national democratic convention to help nominate a man whom he does not care a baube for, and a man who will be nominated, too, whether Texas is represented or not. It is really funny if you just look at it in the right way.—Baird Star.

Judge James H. Robertson of Austin has sued the Kirby Lumber company for \$10,000 and interest, alleged due for one year's services as attorney.

President Roosevelt is out in an open letter to the attorney general asking that the railroads be made to furnish coaches for negroes equal in every way to those furnished the whites. He claims that this is not being done in some of the southern states.

W. G. Campbell, a local agent for newspapers aged 51, suicided at Sherman Wednesday.

**More Battleships, Men and Expense.**

The naval appropriation bill authorizing the construction of two instead of four battleships and eight instead of four marine torpedo boats and carrying a total appropriation of \$103,967,518 for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, was reported to the house Wednesday by Chairman Fass of the committee on naval affairs.

The total appropriation recommended is \$22,518,831 less than the aggregate estimate submitted by the department and \$5,663,916 more than the amount appropriated for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908.

The bill carries an item of \$1,000,000 toward the construction of submarine torpedo boats, an item of \$445,000 toward the construction of subsurface torpedo boats. Provision is made for the enlistment of 6,000 men to man the following ships which are to be put into commission within the next few months: The California, Mississippi, Idaho, New Hampshire, South Dakota, North Carolina, Montana, Chester, Cinghampton and Salem, and for 1,500 men required to man torpedo boats not now in commission.

**President's Traveling Expenses.**

President Roosevelt, either by oversight or premeditation, has failed to ask the Congress for his yearly allowances for traveling expenses.

In the last sundry civil appropriation bill passed by Congress \$25,000 was voted the President for his traveling expenses during the present fiscal year. The condition of this fund is being kept a secret at the White House and it is not known how much of it the President has expended.

The omission has led to much speculation among many members of the House. Rumors that the President may take the stump for the next Republican nominee for President and does not care to have it charged by the Democrats that he is using his traveling expense account for that purpose have again become rife.

**STATE NEWS.**

A 4-year old girl of Chas. Barham's at Hico drank carbolic acid from a bottle Wednesday and was dead in a half hour.

Babe Shipman and Charlie Stephens were jailed at Wichita Falls Monday charged with stealing horses in Oklahoma.

Albert Thorne, aged 16, step-son of Herman Recker, accidentally shot and killed himself with a target rifle at Dimmitt Wednesday.

At Plano Monday night the express safe at the Cotton Belt depot was robbed of a package of money addressed to a bank there containing \$800.

At Midlothian Thursday fire broke out in Fields Bros.' store, damaging the whole stock \$6,000 or \$7,000. Insurance is about \$4,000 on stock.

That there are only one-sixth as many boll weevils alive this year as there were at the same time last year is the encouraging report which is made by Dr. W. D. Hunter of the government experiment station at Dallas.

U. S. Robertson, an employe of the bridge department of the Denver road, fell from the top of the reight depot at Wichita Falls Monday morning, striking a box car. He was rendered unconscious. Robertson's home is in Arlington.

While practicing for a school entertainment in the Mount Enterprise community, in Wood county, the 16-year-old son of John Robinson was accidentally shot and instantly killed by his youngest brother with a target rifle supposed to be unloaded.

At Amarillo, Lou D. Morris beat F. M. Shoughnessy for mayor by a large majority. Other officers elected are: E. T. Miller, city attorney; F. M. Ong, assessor; John Snider marshal; P. H. Seewald, P. L. Person and John McKnight, aldermen.

**TOP OF HEAD BLOWN OFF.**

**Prominent Man Found a Corpse After Breakfast.**

Liberty, Tex., April 6.—Judge W. F. Hardin died here Sunday morning from wounds from a charge from a shotgun. He had been in bad health for some years, but during the last few months seemed to be improving. He at his breakfast with the family as usual. Soon after, while all the other members of the family were out of the house, he stepped into another room. Immediately thereafter the sound of a shot was heard, and it was found that the top of his head had been blown off, a shotgun being the weapon used. The weapon lay on the floor near the body. Judge Hardin had removed one of his shoes. The deceased was a Confederate veteran, and about sixty years of age. A quarter of a century ago he was county judge of Liberty county. He is survived by three sisters—Mrs. J. Skinner of Lampasas, Cornelia G. Davis of Dallas and Miss Helen Hardin of this place, besides a large number of other relatives. He had friends all over the state.

**TEACHOUT DROPS DEAD.**

**A Former Well Known Railway Mail Official Suddenly Expires.**

Adrian, Mich., April 6.—O. L. Teachout, for many years connected with the railway mail service in Texas, with headquarters at Fort Worth, dropped dead at his residence here Sunday. He was assistant superintendent of the Eleventh division. He resigned in 1897 to accept a position with the Gould railway system as general agent of the mail department. Mr. Teachout went to Fort Worth Nov. 22, 1885 and was made superintendent of that division in 1893. He was a Union soldier, and was captured at Chancellorsville at the time Stonewall Jackson was shot. He was sixty-seven years of age, and was well known in railroad and railway mail service circles in the southwest, and especially so in Dallas and Fort Worth. He resigned his railway position Oct. 21, 1906, and returned to his home at Adrian, where he engaged in the wire fence business. A widow and daughter survive.

**PENKNIFE AMPUTATION.**

**Stockman Asks Clergyman to Cut Off His Leg, and It Was Done.**

St. Louis, April 3.—While J. A. McKittrick, a stockman of Brookfield, Mo., was pinned under the wreckage of Burlington freight train No. 72 and the locomotive of passenger train No. 24 at Fort Bellefontaine, near Spanish Lake, fifteen miles north of St. Louis, with the hot steam pouring out upon him from the damaged engine, he took out a barlow knife and coolly directed the Rev. R. C. Allen of Grove City, Pa., to cut the tendons of his crushed left leg, which held him prisoner.

After the leg had been cut off, McKittrick's life was saved by Mrs. Emma Renner, a trained nurse of Cincinnati, a passenger who made a tourniquet of her veil, stanching the flow of blood and then gave him morphine and strychnine to ease the pain and stimulate the heart action.

**BRAVE MRS. JONES.**

**Shoots and Kills Negro Burglar Fighting Her Aged Father.**

Montgomery, Ala., April 6.—Mrs. Ed Jones, a prominent white woman of this city shot and killed a negro burglar at her home at 3 o'clock Sunday morning. At the time the shot was fired the negro was engaged in a hand-to-hand struggle with her aged father, Barney Rhody, and was attempting to pull him out through the window, where, it is said, a negro confederate stood ready to aid the burglar.

**LUNDY SUES HEFLIN.**

**Four Attorneys of His Race Represent Negro Alabamian Shot.**

Washington, April 6.—Representative Heflin of Alabama has been made defendant in suit for \$20,000 damages filed in the district supreme court by Louis Lundy, the negro with whom Mr. Heflin had an altercation on the street car on March 27. The affair grew out of Mr. Heflin's taking exception to the negro drinking on the street car in the presence of ladies. Lundy is represented by four negro lawyers.

**PROPER TARGET RANGE.**

**Adjutant General Newton Told What is Necessary For Same.**

Austin, April 6.—Adjutant General Newton told what is required for a proper target range for the state guard. He says a piece of property 1,000 yards wide and 1,200 yards long, with mountains on the north, high, dry, wooded sanitary camp-site convenient to water in south is necessary. It also must be accessible to a railroad and public highway. With necessary legislative appropriations the guard could assemble every year for target practice.

**Another Revolver Tax Payment.**

Austin, April 4.—Another payment of gross tax receipts on the sale of revolvers was made to the comptroller coming from W. L. Estes & Bros. of Sherman. This firm remitted \$6, this being the 50 per cent tax on the sale of one pistol, which brought \$12.

**Three Tobacco Factories Burn.**

Lynchburg, Va., April 2.—Fire here destroyed three tobacco factories operated by T. P. Dunnington. Estimated loss is \$200,000.

**New Constitution.**

San Domingo, April 4.—The new constitution is in effect. Presidential term is six years. Vice presidential office is abolished.

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**LOCAL AND PERSONAL.**

Mr. Jolly, of Bry, was here yesterday.

Mrs. Jourdan has returned from her Wichita Falls visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rutherford are now entertaining a new daughter, born Tuesday.

A. T. Cole has gone to several of the lower counties to make speeches in behalf of Senator Bailey.

B. F. Flowers was delayed in Ft. Collins, Col., on account of sickness, hence failed to get in this week with his usual homeseekers.

Mrs. Fielder, of Sherman, who stopped over here to visit the Kimberlin family, left this week for her home. She had been visiting in Amarillo.

The Western Real Estate Exchange has sold 200 acres of land for H. G. Hooker and David Johnson, to Nickolas Andres of Denver, at \$5,000.

J. A. Grundy and Ed Gurner of Goodnight spent Wednesday here on business. Mr. Grundy is advertising his stock of merchandise at that place for sale.

Mrs. Dr. W. H. Cooke and daughter, Mrs. Carson, have returned to Clarendon from Fort Worth, Dallas, Denton and other central Texas points.

C. F. Bogard, who returned here last week from Tenaha, Tex., has bought the north half of the Ed Hartzell 640 acre tract north of town from J. L. Hines for \$4,500.

Wm. Spitzer and wife left last night for their former home in Colorado where Mr. Spitzer will remain until he fully recovers from his recent severe illness from blood poisoning.

Mrs. Lida Gillis, daughter of M. F. Lee, and Mrs. A. A. Houaker, Mrs. Gillis' grandmother, who have been here on a visit, left yesterday morning for their home in Wichita county.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Pope have returned from their trip, the former to San Antonio and Old Mexico and the latter to Fort Worth. J. B. can now tell you all about the greasers, cactus, burros and longhorn cattle.

R. T. Johnson has traded his residence property north of the railroad to A. T. Culbertson, taking in exchange a stock of shoes. The consideration was put at \$850. Mr. Johnson says he will open up a shoe parlor as soon as he can rent a suitable room.

Dwight Smith, the little brother of Miss Jewell Smith, fell from a horse some two weeks ago and has been bedfast ever since, his injuries being more serious than first supposed. However, no bones were broken, and he will likely be up in a few days.

Every one is interested in an item of local news. If you know of any local happening that is not generally known communicate the fact to this office. It will cost you but little trouble, we will appreciate it and your friends will enjoy the paper more.

Rev. Burroughs of the Baptist church tells us that the revival meeting of that church will begin about the 7th of June, and that Dr. H. C. Risner, pastor of the First Baptist church at Tyler, Tex., has been secured to assist. He is an able preacher and successful in his meetings.

Some boys in town do not earn \$20 a year, yet they can afford to smoke cigarettes and to use tobacco in other forms. Little boys should think it over seriously before commencing to use tobacco. Boys who do not use the weed or loaf continuously on the streets are much better models to follow. No boy should wish to pattern after a profane, foul mouthed, worthless street loafer. When a business man wants to engage a boy he never seeks one of the latter kind.

I will have millinery on display at the Hedley hotel all next week. Call and examine. Miss Minnie Burdett.

**Cottage Hotel.**  
Just opened; newly furnished, neat and clean. One block from depot, adjoining opera house. \$1.50 per day. M. F. LEE, Prop.

Miss Sarah Porter has returned from her Stratford trip.

Arthur Benson and Mr. Gault of Brice spent yesterday in the city.

The Merchant's carnival was rained out Thursday night, but a big crowd was out last night to a fine entertainment. As it was our press night, we could not give the proceedings. A highly pleasing entertainment will be given again tonight. Don't miss it.

It began raining early Wednesday morning and continued until yesterday morning early, putting a thorough season in the ground. This has put a new smile on some of our new settlers, who were becoming a little apprehensive. Gardens, field crops and grass will all get a move on now.

**Program B. Y. P. U., Sunday, April 12.**  
Subject: "Great Chapters"—Leader, Mr. Madison.  
Scripture Lesson—James 1:1-11.  
Song.  
Prayer.  
Paper on the "Life of James"—Miss Irene Burdett.  
Solo—Miss Lucile Neely.  
Talk—"The Tongue"—Mr. Joslin.  
Paper on "Temptation"—Miss Adrain Brown.  
"The Hearer and the Doer of the Word"—James 1:22-24—Paper by Miss Bessie Braly.  
Closing exercises.

**Thanks to Newspapers.**  
By order of Camp Sam Lanham, No. 1383, United Confederate Veterans, it was ordered that the thanks of the Camp be extended to the Clarendon newspapers for their many kindnesses shown to our Camp and its members in publishing freely all notices of our meetings and other matters of interest. Be assured, gentlemen, we very greatly appreciate your favors to us.  
P. R. STEPHENS,  
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Committee.

For the best hard wheat flour see Bryan & Land.

**Old Soldiers Picnic.**  
Camp Sam Lanham, of the Confederate Veterans, will have a picnic at Lelia Lake May 7, and they are expecting to have an enjoyable time. The committee of arrangements is composed of Col. P. R. Stephens, J. A. Barnett, R. S. Kimberlin, Geo. W. Smith and J. R. Bourland.

**Market Report.**  
The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday:  
Steers \$4.25 to \$6.35.  
Cows \$2.50 to \$3.75.  
Calves \$3.00 to \$4.75.  
Hogs \$5.65 to \$5.85.

**Stock of Merchandise for Sale.**  
A \$3,500 stock of general merchandise in Goodnight, Tex. Post-office kept in same building. Doing good business; only one other store in town. Call for further particulars and see the stock.  
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Everything in the millinery line can be found at Burdett's millinery store.

**JUST IN—Our line of Dorothy Dodd oxfords.** They are just the thing you want. Rathjen, The Shoe Man.

**Fly Time Coming.**  
We have in a new lot of screen wire of all kinds and sizes. Screen your doors and windows in time and let us furnish your screen wire.  
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White Wyandotte eggs \$1.50 per 15, guaranteed 50 per cent. to hatch.  
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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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Old newspapers for sale at this office.

**Hon. Jno. W. Veale to Speak on Baileysism.**  
Hon. Jno. W. Veale, of Amarillo, State Senator from this district, has made the following dates to speak in behalf of the ticket nominated at Waco as delegates to the national democratic convention: Lockney, April 20th, at 2 o'clock p. m.  
Floydada, at 3 o'clock p. m., April 20th.  
Emma, at 2 o'clock p. m., April 21st.  
Lubbock, at 3 o'clock p. m., April 21st.  
Plainview, at 8 o'clock p. m., April 22nd.  
Tulla, at 10 o'clock p. m., April 23rd.  
Memphis, at 8 o'clock p. m., April 24th.  
Clarendon, at 2 o'clock p. m., April 25th.  
Mr. Veale is a good speaker, free from bombast and abuse and will present irrefutable facts. Ladies as well as men are invited to be present.

**Childress.**  
A mass meeting of citizens was held in the courthouse Monday to determine ways and means of getting rid of the "frosty" joint" in operation on Main street.  
Diphtheria is reported in the country near Kirkland. It is said that two deaths have recently occurred in the family of a Mr. Morgan, who lives down there.  
The Childress postoffice situation is expected to be settled April 21 or soon thereafter. Meantime the several applicants are all wondering where the lightning will strike.  
Albert Withey returned recently from Mansfield, Ark., where he was married to Miss Viola Hutchinson. The happy couple moved at once into their nice home near the Baptist church.

**Waters-Pierce Trying to Beat Tax.**  
It was disclosed Tuesday that the Waters-Pierce Oil company has not paid its gross receipts tax for the quarter ending Dec. 31, 1907, nor filed its report in the comptroller's department in accordance with the act of the Thirtieth legislature. This makes the company liable to 10 per cent. penalty on account of tax, which is \$10,230. The company is also subject to a fine of not exceeding \$1,000 for failure to make report. The name of this company has been certified to the attorney general for legal proceedings to enforce the collection of this tax. This company now also owes tax on gross receipts for quarter beginning April 1, 1908. Failure on part of the company to pay the tax may lead to another suit against it.

Fire at Hinton, Ok., said to have originated from mice gnawing matches, caused the burning of the two newspaper plants and 10 other establishments this week.

We see the statement made that Maxim, the improved gun inventor, says he regrets that he ever made the invention because he fears that the guns in the hands of the criminals will become a great public danger. It is said that 100 bullets can be fired from one of them into anybody's house from a point a mile distant without the slightest noise to indicate where the bullets come from.

**GLASS WORKS CONSUMED.**  
Couple of Firemen Caught Under Falling Walls and Badly Hurt.  
London, Ont., April 3.—Hobbs glass works were destroyed by fire. Adjoining buildings were destroyed, and the total loss will reach \$300,000, 80 percent of which is covered by insurance. L. Ferguson and R. Haylock, firemen, were caught under falling walls and severely injured.

**Fites Convey Disease.**  
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**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**  
Our rates for candidates' announcements are as follows, strictly cash in advance: District and county, \$10; precinct, \$5; city, \$2.50.

For District Attorney,  
A. A. LUMPKIN.

For County Judge,  
J. H. O'NEALL.  
GEO. F. MORGAN.

For County and District Clerk,  
C. A. BURTON.  
WADE WILLIS.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector,  
J. T. PATMAN.  
J. MARION WILLIAMS.

For County Treasurer,  
GUSS JOHNSON.  
J. M. CLOWER.

For Tax Assessor,  
R. H. ELKINS.  
G. W. BAKER.  
J. H. RUTHERFORD.

For County Commissioner Precinct No. 2,  
R. L. WILLIAMS.

**Stork Busy in February.**  
The monthly bulletin of the state health department was issued Tuesday. It shows total deaths reported 1,851 and births, 5,060.

**Spring Enthusiasm.**  
The Vernon Call says: Now that the fields are green and nature has unfolded her spring millinery, we have sufficient evidence that the Garden of Eden was located in this part of grand old Texas.

The only place to get the Eastman Kodak is at Stocking's store.

**To the Ladies Who Sew.**  
Call and see Kerbow & Asher's new revolving sewing machine needle case. Contains needles for every machine made.

For stylish millinery call at Burdett's millinery store—Miss Porter's old stand.

**Good Double-Seated Hack**  
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**FARMERS—**If you want hog wire, barb wire, poultry netting or other metal fencing, call at Kerbow & Asher's. All widths and kinds. Prices right.

Don't fail to see the nice new chinaware at The Fair—the store for bargains.

**BUSINESS LOCALS.**  
For the best flour go to Bryan & Land's.  
Good wheel for sale. W. C. Stewart.  
If it isn't an "Eastman" It isn't a Kodak.  
Bryan & Land's Royal No. 10 flour is the best on the market.  
You will find the latest samples of 1908 wall paper at Stocking's store.  
See our swell line of Misses' and Children's oxfords. Rathjen, The Shoe Man.  
We want to collar every horse in Donley county before plow time.—Rutherford & Davis.  
Souvenir post cards, pretty views in colors, of every town of importance in Texas. I have them; 2 cents each, postpaid. Henry Law, Goodnight, Tex. 9 tf  
For the best up-to-date Jewelry go to Clowers. New stock just in.  
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A full line of leather and plow goods for the spring season at Rutherford & Davis'. Call and see them.  
Jewelry of the best quality, newest pattern and beautiful in design at Clower's. Be sure and see his new watches, lockets, pins, etc.

**Pythian Sisters—Panhandle Temple, o.**  
Meets 1st and 3rd Monday nights at Pythian Hall.  
Mrs. H. B. WHITE, M. E. C.  
Mrs. JOHN M. CLOWER, M. of R. & G.  
Modern Woodmen of America—Clarendon Camp No. 13, 423. Meets every Saturday night at Woodman Hall. R. T. JOHNSON, Clerk.  
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If you are in business and you want to make more money you will read every word we have to say. Are you spending your money for advertising in haphazard fashion as if intended for charity, or do you advertise for direct results?

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Advertising is a modern business necessity, but must be conducted on business principles. If you are not satisfied with your advertising you should set aside a certain amount of money to be spent annually, and then carefully note the effect it has in increasing your volume of business; whether a 10, 20 or 50 per cent increase. If you watch this gain from year to year you will become intensely interested in your advertising, and how you can make it enlarge your business.

If you try this method we believe you will not want to let a single issue of this paper go to press without something from your store.

We will be pleased to have you call on us, and we will take pleasure in explaining our annual contract for 50 many inches, and how it can be used in whatever amount that seems necessary to you.

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**Taft for a Bigger Army.**  
Washington, D. C., April 7.—The senate discussed the report printed in Washington today that Taft contemplated an increase of the army so as to bring the number up to 125,000. The subject was introduced by Hale, who spoke of the enormous sum of \$98,000,000 carried by the army appropriation bill passed yesterday. He said he did not know if the author had inside information but added it was understood to be the plan of the chief of staff of the army to double the present size of that organization. In this connection he mentioned the fact that this officer often acts as secretary of war "in prolonged, frequent and necessary absence of the secretary." Hale expressed the hope that the program for such a vast increase would not be carried into effect.

**Ousting the Saloons.**  
In the local option elections held by 1,200 townships in 84 counties of Illinois outside of the city of Chicago Tuesday, 20 counties became absolutely anti saloon territory, and approximately 1,500, or about one-half of the total number of saloons in that territory, were voted out of business. Most of the larger cities of the state, however, voted in favor of licensed saloons. The larger cities voting in favor of saloons are Springfield, Aurora, Elgin, Sterling, Kankakee, Lincoln, Monmouth, Bloomington, Danville, Joliet, Murphysboro and Rock Island. Those voting to abolish the saloon were Rockford, Decatur, Dixon, Hoopston, Georgetown, Pontiac, Shelbyville, Carbondale and Champaign.

**How Dallas Pastors Stand.**  
When J. Frank Smith requested a poll of the members of the Dallas Pastors' Association with a view to ascertaining their position on the Bailey issue, the election of women to the school board and the dual telephone question, a majority of those present expressed themselves as opposed to Bailey, only one pastor voting for the Senator. The poll was taken Monday morning, following adjournment of the association, and all the thirteen pastors who had been in attendance on the association meeting were present. It was not the intention of the pastors to make public their action in voting on Baileyism.—Dallas News.

Over at Chickasha, Ok., rather than remove their Merry Widow sailors after a request from Rev. Mr. Dinger at the Christian church Sunday night, two women deliberately left the church before the services at once. Rev. Mr. Dinger started the innovation of having his congregation remove their hats before the Merry Widows came into fashion. "If it was a comfort to the men for the women to remove their hats with the styles of last winter, it is a necessity with the present styles," says the Christian minister. The innovation has proven immensely popular with the men.

Through Mrs. George Gould's intervention it is reported the family opposition to the proposed marriage of Anna Gould to Prince Helie de Sagan has practically disappeared. George Gould alone is said to be withholding his consent. The arrangements were discussed at a family dinner Monday night. Prince Helie is jubilant.

The northern and eastern railroads which so strenuously have fought the proposal to continue the sale of low rate homeseeker tickets to Texas, have so far failed to find their point as to cause an increase of \$5 in the fare from Chicago. In the future it will be necessary to pay \$30 for a round trip ticket from the Windy city to points in Texas.

Early Tuesday morning robbers dynamited the safe of the state bank at Huron, Atchison county, Kas., and escaped with \$6,500. The bank building was badly wrecked. Robbers who are believed to be six in number, escaped on hand cars.

**Ruled the Kansas Populists Out.**  
The populist party in Kansas will not be able to get representation on the primary election ballots or on the ballot of the next general election. This will be the decision of the state canvassing board, it is stated, and this also is the opinion of the secretary of state and the attorney general.

"The populist party cannot get on the ticket, for the law says it cannot," said Secretary of State Denton. "I have not included the populist party in the sample ballot I am making. The only way to get back into recognition as a political organization is to be recognized. They have too few voters."

**Beligent Republicans.**  
Sheriff Romero at East Las Vegas, N. M., at the point of a six-shooter compelled the delegates at the city Republican convention to surrender their guns Monday. After the convention, two opposing political factions indulged in a hand-to-hand battle, which resulted in bleeding noses and blackened eyes.

Near Augusta, Ky. Monday night masked men burned the barn of S. W. McKibben. The barn held ten thousand pounds of tobacco, owned by Caleb Atherton who refused to pool. Around Harrodsburg letters threatening destruction were received by farmers and some are preparing to leave the state. The farmers are accused of selling tobacco outside the pool. Night riders rode into Scottown in Lawrence county, Ohio, Monday night and destroyed the tobacco beds of Ned Shockley and Henry Darnell.

At Trinidad, Col., Monday night Deputy Sheriff Tony Shelby was shot and killed by Frank Cartanan, an Italian, who was captured at a ranch two miles from Agulieri. He confessed to the shooting. Shelby interfered with Cartanan, preventing him from beating his son. That is the alleged cause of the crime.

Senator Stewart, who has just taken oath of office as the successor of Senator Proctor of Vermont, is the oldest member of the upper house. He is eighty-three years old. Senator Allison is the next oldest, being in his eightieth year.

In Kentucky there are said to be 500 school board members who can not read or write, but there is little doubt that every one of them can teach the young idea how to shoot.—Dallas News.

In Michigan the prohibitionists won nine out of 14 counties in which the liquor question was submitted at the polls Tuesday.

**Getting in Practice.**  
At the appointed time Edwin Jones had called at his best girl's home, but somehow Miss Winkle was not there to greet him.

He seated himself in the drawing room and anxiously awaited her arrival.

Presently the door opened; but alas, it was only her 8-year-old brother.

"Hello!" exclaimed Edwin. "Is your sister busy?"

"She seems so," replied the youngster, "but I don't know just what she thinks she's doing. She's standing in front of the mirror, blushing just awful and whispering to it, 'Oh, Mr. Jones, this is so sudden!'"

**Watson For Governor.**  
Indianapolis, April 3.—On the fifth ballot James E. Watson of Rushville was nominated by the Republican state convention for governor. For lieutenant governor F. C. Goodwin of Williamsport was named. The convention was one of the liveliest ever held in this state.

**Retired Liquor Man Ends Life.**  
Nashville, April 6.—A. H. Lawrence, a retired wholesale liquor man, shot himself to death.

**Diet Is to Be Dissolved.**  
St. Petersburg, April 3.—Dissolution of Finnish diet has been decided upon.

## NEGRO SPIRITED AWAY.

**Mob Takes Walter Clayton Out of Officers' Hand.**  
**OWNS UP TO HIS CRIME.**

**Enters the Residence of a Young Married White Woman in the County of Baldwin, Alabama, Chokes Her and Accomplishes Diabolical Purpose.**

Mobile, April 6.—Walter Clayton, a negro who was serving at the stockade of the Hand Lumber company for manslaughter, criminally assaulted Mrs. Joseph White, aged twenty years, and was lynched by a mob of seventy-five men outside the limits of Bay Minette.

The assault occurred at the woman's home, six miles below Loxley. Clayton entered the house, it is said, choked Mrs. White and accomplished his purpose. The negro returned to the convict camp, where he was arrested. The negro told the officers not to take him back to the scene of his crime, as he committed it, and it was not necessary to have him identified. The officers hurried him to Bay Minette, the county seat of Baldwin county. As they approached the front gate of the jail seventy-five men arose from behind a fence and took charge of the negro, dragging him and the deputy several yards before it was discovered the men were handcuffed together. The deputy was then released and the negro carried away.

Clayton was given a fifteen-year sentence in the Mobile courts last summer on a charge of manslaughter, it being charged that he robbed and murdered John McKenzie, an old white man, in this city on Christmas Eve, 1906. He was a model prisoner at the stockade, and was made a trusty.

## SABBATH SWINGING.

**Thirty White Men Soon Take John Burr's Life.**  
Jackson, Miss., April 6.—John Burr, a young negro, was lynched near here Sunday by about thirty men for the murder of a twelve-year-old white boy. Saturday night about dark, according to Burr's confession and the story of an eyewitness, he was fishing in a mill pond when Earl Smith, the son of J. W. Smith, a prosperous planter, approached and began a conversation. Burr was an employe of Smith's father, and he said to the boy: "Look up! Look at the bird!"

As young Smith gazed skyward the negro shot him in the back of the head with a shotgun. Burr admitted the shooting, but said it was an accident. He threw the boy's body into the mill pond and started to escape.

During the night he was captured by officers of the sheriff, and was on his way to jail, when just as the Sabbath morning dawned a party of about thirty men appeared and took the prisoner from the officers. The capture was made on a county road and the negro was quickly hanged from a tree. Several shots were fired to hasten his death. The body was then taken down and turned over to the proper authorities for burial. Good order was preserved throughout the lynching.

## BUSINESS BUILDINGS BURN.

**Great Loss Sustained at New Orleans by a Fire.**  
New Orleans, April 6.—Four business buildings were burned at the corner of Tchoupitoulas and Natchez streets Sunday with a loss estimated by the fire marshal at \$250,000.

The heaviest loss was that of the Morris McGraw Woodware company, Ltd., whose six-story building was completely destroyed.

Other firms which sustained losses were the New Orleans Import company, Ltd.; W. D. Seymour, commission merchant; Loeb-Lyon-Felix company, Ltd., wholesale liquor dealers, and Henry Lochte, Ltd., wholesale grocers and liquor dealers. The individual losers did not make public any of their losses or insurance, but it is reported that a large part of the total loss was covered by insurance. The fire was in a section where the buildings are old and built closely together, and for a time appeared dangerous to surrounding blocks.

## FORCED RIVAL TO CLOSE.

**At Point of Pistol One Man Makes Another Do This.**  
Baton Rouge, April 6.—Much excitement was created here when H. J. Hopkins, a well known business man, held up Louis Meyer, proprietor of the Hotel Meyer, at the point of a pistol. Hopkins marched Meyer into the lunch room of the hotel and forced him to close up his establishment, threatening to kill any one who interfered. The police finally overpowered Hopkins and took his pistol away from him, at the same time placing him under arrest. Hopkins also owns a restaurant.

## AT MAGDALENA BAY.

**Torpedo Flotilla Arrives There, and Vessels Are Being Painted.**  
San Francisco, April 6.—A message received late Sunday night by the United States Wireless company says that the torpedo flotilla has arrived at Magdalena bay. The little vessels, according to this dispatch, have arrived a day sooner than expected.

The message also says that the battleships are putting on a fresh coat of white paint preparatory to their cruise up the coast.

## STATEWIDE PROHIBITION.

**Methodist Sunday School Convention Favors It.**  
Fort Worth, April 4.—The attendance on the Texas Methodist Sunday School Association convention Friday was 1,529 delegates. Fort Worth had 408 and Dallas 200.

Following a brief talk by Bishop Ward of Houston, "Hindrances to the Introduction of Best Methods" was responded to by Dr. A. V. Godbey of Austin.

Miss Nannie Lee Frayser of Louisville, Ky., spoke on "The Power of Bible Stories Well Told," in which an outline was given of the best methods of imparting to the younger students of Sunday school the most interesting stories depicted in the Bible.

The concluding address for the morning was by Dr. E. B. Chappell of Nashville, Tenn., his subject being "The Preparation of the Teacher."

"I would like to have every one here who is interested in having, and will pledge themselves to work for, statewide prohibition, to stand up," said President Everett during the afternoon session while every seat and available aisle space was filled, and in response every man, woman and child stood.

Then followed tumultuous applause. Immediately following this demonstration, Mrs. Zehner of Dallas took the platform and announced that an appeal would soon be made to the women of Texas for \$10,000, and that she hoped every one would respond to the call, so that the funds may be on hand by May, at which time the first edition of the state prohibition paper will be forthcoming.

Rev. G. C. Rankin spoke on the "Sunday School as a Source of Church Membership."

"The Problem of the Church is the Life of Its Youth" was discussed by Bishop Atkins.

Rev. E. F. Cook of Nashville took for his subject, "Why Mission Study in the Sunday School?"

Lessons in crayon were given by Mrs. Simeon Shaw of Temple, five years a missionary in Japan.

"Where a Sunday School Begins" was practically demonstrated by the presence of a dozen kindergarten pupils.

A demonstration of how young men are brought into the church was given by L. E. Appleby of San Antonio.

E. W. Bodson of Colorado City made an urgent appeal for funds for the expenses of the conference and succeeded in securing \$600.

## ADAMS FOR ELECTOR.

**Takes the Place on Bailey Ticket of Mr. Gary.**  
Fort Worth, April 3.—Hon. J. C. Adams of Kaufman has been chosen by the Bailey campaign committee to take the place of Hon. Hamp Garrison, nominated by the Fort Worth convention for presidential elector.

Mr. Gary declined because he thought he was disqualified to hold the office.

Mr. Adams was chosen by a committee as soon as a conference could be held. Chairman Ousley states that this announcement would have been made sooner, but it took some time to get the nomination of Mr. Adams made before the Bailey committee knew that Judge Dillard had been chosen by the other committee to succeed Senator Mills.

## BOY SUFFOCATED.

**Father Terribly Burned in Attempting to Save His Son.**  
Fort Worth, April 4.—Victor McLain, six years old, was burned to death and his father, William McLain, was badly injured in a fire that destroyed the McLain home at 2:30 o'clock Friday morning. The boy was suffocated as he slept, his father being rightfully burned in an attempt to save the child's life.

**Ennis W. Taylor Dead.**  
Fort Worth, April 6.—Colonel E. W. Taylor, commander of R. E. Lee camp of United Confederate Veterans of Fort Worth, well known in social, financial and political circles, is dead. For several years he was president of the Merchants' National bank of Jefferson, and for thirty years engaged in the drug business in that city. He amassed a competency. He removed to Fort Worth in 1888 and was elected president of the Citizens' National Bank, which position he held until his failure, and was largely instrumental in its reopening.

**Found Dead in Bath Room.**  
Austin, April 6.—George Norrell, Jr., a university student, was found dead in the bath room at the Phi Delta Theta Fraternity house. Young Norrell was a member of the middle law class, and came from Houston, where his father is president of a drug company. Death was due to heart trouble.

**Ships Many Pecans.**  
Granbury, Tex., April 6.—William H. Catts of Granbury has shipped from this point sixteen carloads of pecans, and with local shipments and small consignments by express, there have been shipped from here 700,000 pounds at an average price of 5 cents, realizing the sum of \$35,000, all being gathered along the banks of the river in Hood county.

**Burglars' Big Haul.**  
Alvarado, Tex., April 4.—Toblow's dry goods house was burglarized and about \$500 worth of goods were taken.

**Alamo Mission Rent Collected.**  
San Antonio, April 4.—Superintendent of Public Buildings Day collected \$2,000 Alamo mission rent for the State.

## NARRATED IN NOTES.

At Kellyville, Okla., cattlemen will put in a dipping vat.

Katy shops at Sedalia, Mo., have reopened with 500 men.

Rock Island railway has 637,000 tons of coal stored in Oklahoma.

During March thirty-one naval enlistments were had at Dallas.

Fifteen boys and twelve girls graduated from Carlisle Indian school.

Three large brick business houses are under construction at Caney, Okla.

Shawnee, Okla., thirty-five-ton ice plant will be ready for business May 1.

The next term of the Oklahoma supreme court begins at Guthrie May 8.

W. I. Yopp of Dallas will tour Europe in the interest of cotton products.

The Cotton Belt railway will built at Mount Pleasant, Tex., a \$15,000 depot.

Oklahoma City union carpenters get 50 cents per hour and Saturday a half holiday.

J. M. Brown, for thirty years a leading business man of Lampasas, Tex., is dead.

Joe Green, long an International and Great Northern railway engineer, died at Palestine.

After she was thought dead Mrs. H. C. Smith of Garland, Tex., revived and then died.

From Jan. 1 to April 1 32,655 babies were born in the five boroughs of Greater New York.

The general merchandise store at Purcell, Okla., of W. C. Mockett was robbed of \$150 worth of goods.

John D. Spreckles has purchased a large concession to build a railroad from the Mexican government.

Past three months oil royalties to the amount of \$500,000 have been paid at Muskogee agency to Indians.

En route from Dallas to Galena, Ill., Isaac Kelly died on the sleeper just as the train was entering Denison.

In a fight eight miles from Tablequah, Okla., Tom Bohannon and another Cherokee Indian were killed.

W. T. Fagin of Red Water, Bowie county, Texas, at his dying request, was buried in his Confederate uniform.

Mexican Electric Tramway company has borrowed \$15,000,000 from the National Trust company of New York.

By holding to a barbed wire fence Philip Sunfield was saved from being swept into Bear creek, near Perry, Okla.

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