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Era of Road Building.

The nation has within the last few years entered upon an era of road building, and appropriations are each year becoming larger, as the knowledge of road importance becomes more and more widely disseminated. State legislatures and county boards do not now suffer so severe a shock when asked to vote large sums for road benefits, because the members of such bodies are learning that the prosperity of the communities they represent are dependent upon these better transportation routes. In former years a man who advocated bonding a county in large sums was looked upon even by those whom he was to serve as a profligate, a plunderer of the public till. In progressive counties he is now looked upon as a benefactor, and invariably finds enthusiastic men ready to back him up.

Recently many counties in all sections of the country have issued large amounts in bonds. Los Angeles county, in California, probably tops the list, with an issue of \$3,000,000. There is wisdom in selling bonds for road improvement rather than waiting for large sums to accumulate in the strong boxes of the county treasury, for such accumulation takes time. By bonds the county may receive immediate benefits in long delayed installments as it would have to get them under a cash system of taxation. For a county to borrow money with which to build good roads is on a par with a citizen buying a house, a farm or a store on the installment plan. The purchaser gets it at once and derives his benefits from its possession even while paying for it. Besides, there is equity and justice in the bonding of a county for road improvement, because the benefit that that community receives endures for a term of ten years. Good roads are not built solely for the benefit of the present generation. The rising generation is to reap the rewards which good highways bring, and it is, therefore, no more than fair that those who are yet to come should bear a percentage of the cost.

Another thing: In prosperous times bonds are always welcome commodities in the tin boxes of the steel safes of the country merchant and the city bank. They sell at high rates. Frequently bonds issued by progressive counties for road improvement have brought such high premiums that this profit has paid two or three years' interest on the principal.

In Bradley county, Tenn., but a few years since, the board of supervisors decided to issue \$90,000 in bonds for the betterment of Bradley county roads. These bonds bore interest at the rate of 5 per cent. They sold in the open market for \$110,000, and Bradley county was a distinct gainer.

If a county builds \$150,000 worth of roads there is still another element for gain, for so large a contract results immediately in cheapening construction. It is always proportionately cheaper to buy or to build by wholesale than by retail. When improvements are undertaken on a large scale the cost of the various units decreases. Let a county build seventy-five miles of road by bond issue rather than two miles of road through a cash tax, and the cost of the larger undertaking will, with honest work rendered, be found far cheaper per mile than for the smaller job.—Exchange.

Governor Harmon of Ohio, Gov. Marshall of Indiana and Representative Champ Clark of Missouri are to be the chief speakers at the Jefferson Day banquet of the national democratic club in New York City on April 13.

Steals a March on the Saloonists.

Austin, April 5.—The anti-prohibitionists, figuratively speaking, are up in the air tonight. During the course of the discussion over the Robertson-Fitzhugh bill amending the Baskin McGregor law this afternoon Mr. Lee slipped in an amendment, which was adopted by a vote of 71 to 40, forbidding the drinking of liquor on the premises where it is sold. Mr. Robertson of Travis fought this amendment vigorously, calling attention to the fact that it was equivalent to telling a man that although he might buy a license, it was useless for him to set up a shop, as his customers would not be permitted to consume the liquor they might buy from him. Mr. Lee retorted that this was just what he wanted, as, although he had never voted the prohibition ticket, he was determined to destroy the saloon if possible, and the house voted with him. The Mason amendment providing that liquor shall not be sold in less quantities than a quart was defeated.

Chairman Wolters of the Anti-State-wide Prohibition association, stated tonight that he was not responsible for the introduction of the Robertson Fitzhugh bill, which has the backing of the brewers, and that if the bill with the Lee amendment attached finally passes, which would be equivalent to bringing about actual prohibition all over the state, the brewers will have nobody but themselves to blame for it, as they opened the door for this by fooling with the Robertson-Fitzhugh bill to begin with.

The next day another Lee amendment was finally adopted establishing a \$750 license for either whisky or beer were adopted by a vote of 61 to 52. The saloon advocates became very hot in the collar. It is given out that the grand jury at Austin will start an investigation into the poker playing charges which have been current gossip for some time past. It will be remembered that the justice court docket contained only the initials of those arrested and this may be looked into. Several witnesses were subpoenaed Tuesday. Major J. W. Burke, a leading republican of Austin, is foreman of the jury, which consists mostly of farmers.

Members of the House of Representatives are arranging a trip to Panama to inspect the work in progress on the Isthmian canal. This excursion was originally arranged by Representative Slayden of Texas, for the brief vacation between the last regular and the present extra session of Congress, but the immediate introduction of the tariff bill resulted in an abandonment of the plan. Mr. Slayden expects to get up a party of 100 congressmen for the trip.

The new schedule on the Fort Worth & Denver, Colorado & Southern, Trinity & Brazos Valley and kindred lines, entering Fort Worth, will not be announced for another 60 days. All details of the schedule were discussed last Saturday at the meeting in Fort Worth between the officials from Houston, Ft. Worth and Denver.

On a sensational opening, wheat on the Chicago board of trade, Wednesday touched the highest point, with one exception, in more than 20 years. First sale of May wheat at \$1.24 to \$1.25½, the latter figure being ¾¢ to 3¼¢ higher than the close Monday.

After writing a note to his wife, who was formerly Mrs. Eliza Given of Sedalia, Mo., W. H. Gunn, a doctor who has had more or less of an interesting career in Oklahoma City, suicided this week.

Amarillo's Local Option Case.

The coming contest between the antis and pros, incidental to the reversal of the case of Z. Z. Savage et al vs. Hugh L. Humphreys et al, involving the question of validity in the local option election held in Potter county, Dec. 3, 1907, is one that excites much interest just at this time. It is stated that there is a probability that this case will come up for trial next month before the district court in this city. The litigation has already dragged itself through more than a year, and the probabilities are that it will continue for some time to come.

There is no reason to believe that the case would not be again taken to the court of appeals regardless of its ending in the district court. This would necessitate another delay, and then in the case of an unsatisfactory ending to one or the other of the parties, it is possible that it would be carried to the higher courts again.

While there has been some suggestion to the effect that the case may be taken to the supreme court on writ of error from the civil appellate court, that course has not been determined upon. In the

Wouldn't Let It Get to Bryan.

Austin, Tex., April 5.—While Mr. Bryan was speaking in the House today Senator Holsey wrote a note, which he passed along until it reached the press table. The paper, which was folded, was directed "Mr. Bryan, Page, please hand to him. Read it."

From the press table it was passed along to a page, who in turn handed it to Gov. Campbell, who shook his head and tore up the note. The contents were as follows:

"What do you think of members of the Legislature accepting pay from public service corporations while serving as representatives of the people?"

Mr. Holsey, it will be remembered, was author of the "Two Masters" bill, designed to prohibit legislators or congressmen from serving corporations.

A citizen of Santa Fe advertises that he will give \$50 reward for the conviction of the man who stole his potatoes. "or," the advertisement reads, "I will pay the thief one dollar a bushel for enough of them for my planting."

Panhandle Cattlemen at Roswell.

The Panhandle Stock Raisers' association met in annual convention at Roswell, N. M., Tuesday. Roswell is across the line in New Mexico, and though some of the Panhandlers' felt that they were out of place in going away from Texas to hold their meeting, Roswell's hospitality soon made them feel at home.

George M. Slaughter, president of the association, delivered his address. Among other things he said: "I recall the days, yet green in all your minds, when we gathered in the shade of a chuck wagon, and only the coyote and jack rabbit divided with us the ownership of the sage. We cannot dwell upon these memories, however, for while the cattleman of today may be a dreamer, his dreams are dreams of empire, of progress and of high civilization. With the coming of the railroad, the opening of the range to agriculture and the influx of a dense population many people thought they saw the passing of the cowboy. They did not reckon on the sturdy spirit that was being developed when the cowboy has to make long drives to market and face every vicissitude, climate and condition. These conditions were slowly breeding up a race of men who were scarce. As conditions changed, the cowboy simply shifted his seat in the saddle. He has met the new era more than half way. He has bred up his herd, experimented with crops, studied the relative value of feedstuffs and made a yearling of today worth more than a 4-year old of 30 years ago. His boys no longer 'bust bronchos' and rope calves for diversion. They are taught to study the beef producing structure of an animal, how to produce it, how to transport it and how to introduce it into the world's great market.

"Like every other class that has tried to bear its fair share of the burden of development and progress, we have met opposition, demonstrated the necessity for cooperation, that necessity gave birth to this association. Its organization, its development and the good it has done in history, I need not recount to you. You recollect that two years ago we were told that when the association left its range and went into new pastures it would come back again with great loss and diminished numbers. I am proud that I can call you to witness today that we are at the floodtide in the way of membership and that upon our return to the old range we can count the full number, and some over, through the gates. It therefore only remains for me to congratulate you on being here to participate in this association's greatest meeting."

The annual report of Secretary E. H. Brainard was read and adopted. It is in part as follows: "During the last year our inspectors have caught 202 head of cattle; 76 were returned to owners, 21 released, 21 held for investigation and 84 sold on the market, bringing \$3,181.95. On April 1, 1909, after paying all outstanding indebtedness, we have to our credit in the treasury \$463.79."

The supreme court of Alabama has declared the state prohibition law valid, all judges concurring in the opinion. This is the second time the court has upheld the statewide acts of the last legislature. It was attacked on several constitutional grounds.

The Arkansas senate Tuesday passed a bill placing a heavy penalty on persons drinking intoxicants on trains in the state or on station platforms. This will probably affect buffet cars, although only intended to stop rowdyism.

Dalhart's election Tuesday was the warmest in its history. The ticket headed by W. D. Wagner, mayor, was elected by 40 majority.

Fire at Taylor Wednesday morning destroyed the offices and yards of B. C. Morrison Lumber company. Loss reaches \$18,000. Partially insured.

STATE NEWS.

The only officers elected in Amarillo Tuesday were two aldermen, J. D. Anderson and Lon Sellers; F. M. Shaugnessy and Lee Bivens being defeated.

John Potter was found dying on the road a mile from Burnett Wednesday, shot through the neck. He is 60 years old and has a family. Officers are working on both suicide and murder theories. Potter was unable to talk.

The jury in the Tom Barnett case at Abilene returned a verdict Saturday finding the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree and assessing his punishment at confinement in the penitentiary for life. He killed Alex Sears, a stockman.

Governor Campbell has promised Representative Wortham and Fitzhugh to submit for the consideration of the legislature a proposition to enact legislation for the relief of the conflagration sufferers of Fort Worth from state taxes. The bill will be drawn in conformity to the wishes of the governor to exempt home owners only.

J. S. Parr, a farmer living just south of Haskell, killed his wife Tuesday morning. Parr claims to have shot her accidentally while unloading his shotgun after chasing a coyote. An inquest was held, after which the sheriff made complaint against Parr charging him with murder and he was arrested and lodged in the Haskell county jail.

Mrs. E. A. Woodward, wife of a prominent real estate dealer in Waco, was thrown from a phaeton and so badly injured Tuesday that she died half an hour later. One of the wheels came off the phaeton in which she was seated, frightening the horse, which ran away and precipitated Mrs. Woodward to the ground. A negro in greasing the buggy before she started, failed to put a tap on one spindle.

At a committee meeting of the Broadway Baptist church in Fort Worth Tuesday night it was unanimously voted that the new building should cost not less than \$50,000. The first contribution toward the new church was made by the Nash Hardware Co., which donated \$100. A temporary tabernacle will be erected near the site of the old church, to be used by the congregation until the new building is completed.

Fire at Mineola Saturday burned the compress and 1,000 bales of cotton. I. G. Bromberg's residence burned, with two tenant houses belonging to Dr. Patten. Several barns and small structures were destroyed. The compress was insured. Most of the cotton was covered by insurance. Bromberg's loss is about \$5,000, insured. Dr. Patten's loss is about \$2,000, partly insured. Two box cars were burned on the Texas and Pacific track.

Fire originating in the Elite restaurant in Austin street, Waco, Monday morning destroyed the restaurant, Amhold Gun company building, N. M. Clay loan office and W. B. Rangland's watch store. The buildings belonged to Tom Padgett and Luther Armstrong. The loss is \$40,000, partially insured. John Racugno and family, proprietors of the restaurant, were asleep in the second story and narrowly escaped the flames in their night clothes. Another fire in the Behrn's Drug company warehouse caused \$6,000 loss.

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meantime speculation as to the final adjustment of the matter is rife. Both sides of the controversy express optimistic views as to the outcome of the case. In the meantime the laity watches and waits for developments.—Daily Panhandle.

No Libel to Publish a Fair Report.

A jury in the supreme court, New York, after a brief deliberation decided the \$20,000 libel suit of Mrs. Helena Lynch against the Press Publishing Company, owner of the New York World, in favor of the defendant. The cause of the action was an article printed in the World in April, 1906, telling of an altercation between Mrs. Lynch and another woman. At the trial counsel for the World showed that the paper had printed a fair report of the trouble and that no one had been libeled.

Colorado dries made gains in a majority of the municipal elections over the state Tuesday. At Pueblo four in five wards went dry. Colorado Springs went dry and Fort Morgan continues dry. Cripple Creek went wet and Fort Collins dry by three votes. Canon City, La Junta, Castle Rock, Basalt, Evans and Neberland went dry and Rifle, Brush and Brighton wet.

Pretty Murderess on Trial.

Lyons, N. Y., April 5.—Mrs. George E. Sampson, the beautiful young woman charged with having killed her husband, Harry Sampson, a nephew of the late Rear Admiral Sampson, was placed on trial here this morning. When Mrs. Sampson was brought in court she calmly asserted innocence. Sampson's death occurred in his home at Macedon Nov. 1, 1908. He was shot with a rifle, and his young wife, of whom he was jealous, declared it was suicide. Circumstances connected with the tragedy caused her to be suspected, and she was arrested and indicted for murder. Her family is one of the most prominent in this part of New York.

They have put the recall into operation in Los Angeles and jerked back into private life a mayor whose corruption got simply too bad. Some conservatives—Root of New York or Taft—regard this as destroying representative government. To the rest of us it looks like common sense.—The Laborer, Dallas.

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It begins to look as though people will have to revert to eating cornbread instead of bread made from wheat flour. Cash wheat is highest it has been in years, and with the present crop prospects it looks as if it will continue high, and corn is liable to go higher also. For the past thirty or sixty days north Texas millers have been paying from \$1.25 to \$1.45 per bushel for wheat. This is the highest price paid in years for cash wheat in that section of the country. The wheat yield in Texas this year, it is claimed, will not be more than one third of an average crop.

It is really encouraging to see how the saloons are being voted out in the different states. Even where they are not moral enough yet to put them out of business altogether, they are placing restrictions around them that will largely keep them from being the loafing place of criminals and habitual drunkards that they have been. In Nebraska a law has been passed prohibiting them from being open before 7 o'clock in the morning and later than 8 at night. The lower house of Texas has passed a bill prohibiting the drinking of liquor on the premises where purchased. This latter bill may be defeated by the liquor interests, but it shows the trend of public sentiment. It is only a short time until the saloon will be a thing of the past.

The time is drawing near for the road improvement bond issue election. What are you going to do about it? The Chronicle favors it, for we believe, if carried, it will tend more than any other factor in developing and settling the county with a progressive, thrifty people. According to government reports, the returns from various states show that in nearly every case the states having the highest per cent of improved roads have the largest population per mile of road, thus following that better roads are a powerful factor in encouraging the settlement of unused lands, especially in sparsely settled sections of the country. Good roads are also an important influence in retaining in the farming districts the desirable elements who might otherwise drift into the towns and cities. As the price of farm lands depends on their productivity, accessibility to market and population engaged or desiring to engage in agricultural pursuits, it follows that road improvement by attracting additional settlers and giving them better facilities for reaching their markets tends directly to increase the values of all farm lands within the radius of the roads improved.

Seeing one judge inflicting a fine of \$29,000,000 on a corporation and another judge, with the same case and evidence, finding that evidence not sufficient, should cause one to doubt the infallibility of the courts to deal out the same justice all the time. The courts seem to be made for the lawyers' benefit alone.—Co-Operator.

For violating the speed laws on their motorcycles, Joseph W. Bailey Jr., aged 16, son of the senator from Texas, and two companions were arrested Sunday in Washington and later were released upon depositing \$10 collateral each. They are said to have been traveling at about the rate of 20 miles an hour when they were stopped.

The theory that the "foreigner pays the tax" is going to be pretty much shot to pieces when the women begin paying \$2.25 for \$1.50 gloves.—Star.

Will Kill the Liquor Bill—Talk of Another Special Session.

Austin, April 8.—The lower house of the legislature this morning passed the bank deposit guarantee bill by a vote of 80 to 13. Governor Campbell has announced that he will call a special session to obtain action on administration measures which the legislature opposes.

The house today refused to concur in senate amendments to the house experiment station bill. A free conference committee was named.

Speaker Marshall dealt a blow to obstructionists in the house today by the announcement that he will permit no one or two members to employ dilatory tactics.

The senate health board bill was ahead of the liquor bill in the house today and the discussion apparently will continue on this measure all day. It is believed that the liquor measure has little chance to pass this session.

Broom Corn Profitable in Grayson County.

David Pearson, the veteran broom maker, was seen Saturday in company with R. O. Matthews of near Whitewright who was buying broom corn seed from Pittman & Harrison Co.

Being asked as to the purpose for which the seed was intended Mr. Pearson promptly replied: "For planting." Questioned further he stated that broom corn as a crop can be raised quite as successfully and cheaply in Grayson county or North Texas as anywhere else in the country and that it has long been a mystery to him why local planters will avail themselves of the most profitable crop. "Why," says Mr. Pearson, "there is practically no limit to the demand for the brush. Just to show you, parties at Wichita, Kan., have recently urged me to make a number of growers contracts with farmers in this vicinity for broom corn, they to furnish seed and asking only that they have first chance to purchase the crop. These parties are large exporters of the brush."

Mr. Pearson questioned regarding the methods to be observed in the planting, culture and harvest of broom corn stated that he would cheerfully answer personally all questions along this line if parties who may be interested will but call on him. Not only that, but will go to the farms when possible and offer advice and suggestions.

Mr. Matthews stated that on a piece of gray second bottom land last year two acres of broom corn brought him \$80 gross, or about \$65 net revenue being \$30 per acre, and that he was only an amateur in the business. This year his acreage will be much larger.

It is well known that large sections of Illinois and Oklahoma have become rich from the production of broom corn, which ranges in price from \$100 to \$200 or more per ton. Present value is from \$160 to \$200 per ton, and a moderate yield is 800 pounds per acre. Fairly favorable crops are supposed to yield not less than 1,000 per acre.—Sherman Democrat.

Admiral Schley pays a fine tribute to the memory of Admiral Cervera and says he was a "grand old man." This expression is magnanimous. Had it not been for old Cervera there would have been no Sampson-Schley "controversy," says the Kansas City Star.

Madame Helena Modjeska, the famous Polish tragedienne and American actress, died Thursday at her home near Los Angeles, Cal. Her age was 65. Death came after an illness of two months of Bright's disease.

With one Texas county showing 10,000 acres in peanuts this year Texas bids fair to wrest the title of goober state from Georgia.—Beaumont Enterprise.

Reads a Van Zandt Editor a Severe Lecture.

The Sun is real sorry for those people who left the Free State and are now in the windy west drying up when the people of their dear old home county are going ahead with such fine prospects. Some people, however, can't learn except by experience and if there are others who are dissatisfied we would advise them to go at once and get satisfied. Those who are not able to return to the Free State are in a sad plight as they are ashamed to write for help to return.—Grand Saline Sun.

The above comes from a Van Zandt county paper and reminds one of a timid boy going through a dark woodland after night fall and whistling to keep up courage.

If the brother in the chigger infested and tick ridden district of the East Texas red lands feels so cock sure that all his people who are not entirely dead with chills and fever and still have life enough left to realize their wretched condition and try to relieve same by moving to West Texas why does he write such venomous articles against this goodly western country.

The truth is that in many of the best agricultural counties of central and east Texas the better class of farm tenants have emigrated westward until many, formerly prosperous communities are almost depopulated and the landlords' revenues have been reduced to a point where they are no longer profitable. But Van Zandt! the very name has been known as a synonym for poverty, poor farms and poorer farmers, since the days of the Civil war.

Compared with the red hills and redder sloughs of this old miasma-infested country the most unproductive county of west Texas would seem like a veritable Garden of Eden.

We do not even remotely know the billious brother who edits the Sun but we would risk a jug of gyp water that he is a choleric dispeptic individual who finds it necessary to take quinine by the teaspoonful each morning before he can get his brain cells roused to action. The very tenor of his grouchy spiel indicates that he is sweetly unconscious of the misery that surrounds him on all sides and, rattle snake fike, takes a snap at his people for trying to go to a country teeming with plenty where any man with sufficient energy can soon have his own home, unannoyed by garrulous landlords.

Truly, we feel sorry for this editor and would like to start a donation to give him a trip to the great Panhandle where he could get a breath of fresh pure air and indulge in the luxury of good gyp water.—Childress Post.

Land-Seekers Still Come.

Another big landslide of homeseekers reached Texas Thursday morning over the Rock Island and Santa Fe.

Four of the Rock Island trains came through Fort Worth. Traveling Passenger Agent Straud of Kansas City was in charge of them. One of these trains was sent south over the Trinity & Brazos Valley at 11 o'clock Thursday morning. John Carnes, trainmaster for the T. & B. V., and L. M. Vance, industrial and immigration agent, were aboard to look after the welfare of the passengers.

Another of the Rock Island specials was taken by the International & Great Northern. This train was in charge of Garland Tobin, traveling passenger agent from Palestine. A third went west to Big Springs on the Texas & Pacific. J. A. Chilton, traveling passenger agent of the Texas & Pacific, went along with it. The fourth train stopped here.

Another Rock Island homeseeker was delivered to the Fort Worth & Denver at Dalhart, carried to Amarillo by the Denver and turned it over to the Pecos lines for Platteview. This was a Soash Land Co. special. At Amarillo the Santa Fe delivered to the Denver a list of cars for Hartley.—Telegram.

STATE NEWS.

Wichita Falls is to issue \$60,000 worth of bonds to build a new school house.

Dalhart had a sand storm Wednesday afternoon and an inch snow at night, with a freeze.

John Williams was adjudged guilty of having shot and killed his wife at Pilot Point and given six years in the penitentiary.

Mrs. Fannie Van Zandt, widow of Isaac Van Zandt, who negotiated the treaty by which the Texas republic became a state, died at Ft. Worth Thursday, aged 94 years.

Over a half inch of snow fell at Amarillo Wednesday night, and snow reached as far south as Abilene. There was also light snow north of us and as far east as Denton.

During a violent electric and rain storm Monday morning lightning struck the school house at Ponder and Fred Wilson's barn at Krum, burning both to the ground. A heavy rain fell throughout the country.

John Jenkins, aged 18, a student of Harvard Military school in Los Angeles, and a son of J. T. Jenkins, a well-to-do ranch owner at Sherman, Tex., was drowned in the surf at Los Angeles Sunday. The body was not recovered.

The body of James Works, aged 21, was found floating in Sulphur river near Texarkana early Tuesday morning by Charles Grimes, engineer of a gasoline launch. The police believe he met with foul play. An investigation is on.

All schools, banks, the postoffices, factories and stores closed in Wichita Falls Tuesday on account of "Spotless town" holiday. Three thousand men and 500 teams were busy "scouring" the city as a result of the recent sanitary campaign.

Fire at Midland Thursday caused \$300,000 loss. The blaze started in the Llano hotel and spread over the entire block and destroyed three buildings on the block south. Among the buildings destroyed were the Llano hotel, Midland National bank, First National bank, Midland Drug Store, Taylor Drug company building. The loss will not exceed \$300,000. Fifteen business houses were destroyed including the office of the Midland Examiner.

Former Tax Collector Edward J. Smith of San Francisco, who, in May, 1905, was sentenced by Judge Lawlor for ten years in the penitentiary for embezzlement of \$265,000 of public funds, and who has served only four years of his term, is to be pardoned from Folsom prison May 1. If you are a thief and want to be let off light if caught, never steal less than \$100,000. It is the petty thief that gets no mercy.

Old papers for sale at this office only 15 cents per 100. Good to put under carpets, on shelves, etc.

K. of P.—Panhandle Lodge, No. 50. Meets every Tuesday night. Visiting Knights invited to attend. G. B. BAGBY, C. H. W. KELLEY, K. of R. & S.

Pythian Sisters—Panhandle Temple, No. 58. Meets 1st and 3rd Monday nights at Pythian Hall. Mrs. H. B. WHITE, M. E. C. Mrs. JOHN M. CLOWER, M. of R. & C. Modern Woodmen of America—Clarendon Camp No. 1242. Meets every Saturday night at Woodman Hall. R. T. JOHNSON, Clerk. Royal Neighbors—Auxiliary to Mollera Woodmen—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursday in each month in Woodman Hall. Mrs. R. T. JOHNSON, Gracie Mrs. H. W. KELLY, Recorder.

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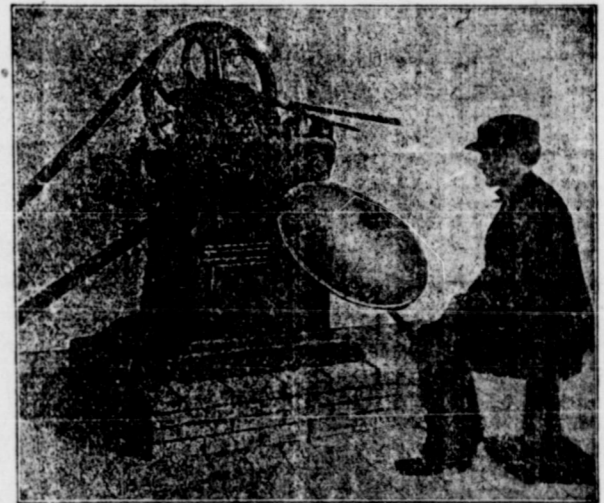
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LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. Lloyd Blackwell is visiting at Roswell, N. M.

Col. P. R. Stephens is visiting in Stratford this week.

The ground was white with snow up on the Plains Thursday morning.

The B. Y. P. U. were entertained by Mrs. Mollie Gray Thursday night.

Mrs. C. A. Burton, who visited Mr. Burton at Plainview, has returned.

A. L. Connally has returned from Tyler looking much improved in health.

Mrs. Fred Chamberlain and little son have returned from their visit at Sherman.

Carey Lane has returned to Alameda, where he has again accepted employment.

Wonder whether the theme of discussion tomorrow afternoon will be the minister's sermon, or—hats.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Angel, of the Boydston community, were in town on business Thursday and Friday.

W. B. Sims has been hauling lumber out to his farm this week to build a new residence.

Miss Mary Hardy, daughter of Presiding Elder Hardy, of Plainview, is visiting relatives in Clarendon.

Joe Houk is now employed in the First National Bank of Clarendon and is learning the ways of the money changer.

Miss Lila McClelland, who is attending St. Mary's College in Dallas, came home yesterday to spend Easter with home folks.

W. S. Boydston received notice of the death of his father-in-law, A. J. Hunt, at Ft. Worth Wednesday and left to attend the funeral.

The friends of Misses Beulah and Fay Dodson gave them a surprise party Thursday night. The time was pleasantly spent, of course.

E. H. Watt, Judge Akers, J. P. Alexander, J. O. Rhea and Mrs. W. J. Thaxton, all of Giles, were in Clarendon on business Thursday.

Wednesday and Thursday furnished a cool snap, but yesterday was a spring day and several of the small boys turned out "barefoot."

Geo. Doshier and wife returned home from Marlin Friday night of last week. He is much improved in health, but yet shows the effects of his spell of rheumatism.

Miss Annie Houghton, of Hamlin, Texas, is now making her home with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Kennedy, and is doing clerical work in the express office.

Tomorrow is the day for taking up the collections for Home and foreign missions at the Baptist church. The pastor makes a special request for all members to be present at the services.

This is the season of the year when the good house wife in town prevaileth on her husband to have the garden plowed and exerteth herself in planting seed and putting the soil in fine fix for her neighbor's hens to show how industrious they are.

How often we hear a man say, "O, I don't know anything about the fashions." Well, you just go to church tomorrow and glance around over the women's side of the house and doubtless you will be worse bewildered than ever.

Mrs. Etta Wright, who has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stevens, left for her home at Memphis Wednesday.

Mrs. Frank Beach and family left Thursday for Colorado. Mr. Beach will leave in a few days. He is selling out their household goods today.

W. J. Lewis, R. H. Muir, J. A. Warren and daughter, H. Lott and wife and a number of others from Clarendon attended the stockmen's convention at Roswell this week.

Mrs. J. W. Rogers, wife of the man in jail charged with the crime against his daughter, left this week for Wise county, where her mother lives, and with whom she will make her home.

Thos. Durham has sold his Hedley Herald to W. T. McBride and has moved to Clarendon and accepted the foremanship of the Banner-Stockman, vacated by Mr. Weatherly, who is now working for his new paper, the Times, to begin next month.

Looney-Kimberlin Wedding.

Married, Wednesday evening at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Kimberlin, Mr. Isaac Looney and Miss Laura Kimberlin, Rev. O. P. Kiker, pastor of the M. E. church, officiating.

Only the relatives and immediate friends of the couple were present, it being just a quiet, home wedding, the kind that is really most impressive. The bride is the sister of Mrs. A. M. Beville and Mrs. Geo. Archer, and has a wide circle of friends.

The groom is late from Idaho and formerly lived at Sherman, Texas, but will make Clarendon their home, where he expects to enter business.

After the ceremony and a light repast with the guests, they boarded the southbound train for a visit at Henrietta. The Chronicle extends congratulations and good wishes.

B. Y. P. U. PROGRAM, APR. 11.

Subject: Risen with Christ. Leader, Della Witt. Scripture Lesson, Col. 3:1-4. Prayer. Song. "What Easter means to us," address—Mr. Lacy.

Resurrection due to mercy of God; Eps. 2:1-19—Zoranda Sparks. "Where shall we live this new life?" paper—Mary Shaw. Song.

Easter, reading—Letitia Rhodes Share and share with Christ; Rom. 8:17, 1 Cor. 15:57-58—Fen Bourland.

"The spirit of Easter," paper—Ollie Hedgpeith. Seeking things above; Phil. 3:1-16—Pearl Summerour.

"The Easter faith points us not to the graves in our cemeteries, but to the gates of Heaven," paper—Kate Brown.

The result of the Childress election is as follows: A. J. Brown, mayor; H. J. King, R. E. Dunn and Lon Alexander, aldermen.

In the election at Memphis Tuesday Capt. D. Browder was elected mayor, and W. T. Reed, W. H. Wallace, John Dennis and A. W. Read, aldermen.

Half Block for Sale.

Near college and handy to public school with 6-room house, well, windmill, tank, nice shade, sheds, etc. For price and terms see A. W. McLean.

Bloody Butcher seed corn at \$1 per bushel at the Clarendon Mill and Elevator.

FOR SALE—A car of good broke work mules, horses and mares, at reasonable prices, at Young's Livestock Stable. S. V. Miles.

German Millet and Cane Seed at T. H. Allen's.

An advance shipment of slippers just in at Rathjen's, and more on the road. Call and see them.

Slaughter Re-elected—Amarillo Gets Next Cattlemen's Convention.

Amarillo boosters captured the next meeting of the Panhandle Cattlemen's Convention. The vote was: Dalhart 84, Amarillo 108, New Mexico voting with Amarillo. Judge Browning nominated Amarillo, Attorney Hyde nominated Dalhart.

Officers elected: G. M. Slaughter of Roswell re-elected president; P. B. Fuqua of Amarillo, first vice president; R. M. Clayton of Plainview, second vice president; Lee Bivins was re-elected treasurer, and J. H. Avery of Amarillo was elected secretary.

It has often been asked why an egg is a symbol of Easter. The use of eggs for Easter can be traced to the theory and philosophy of Egyptians, Persians, Gauls, Greeks and Romans among all of whom an egg was a symbol of the universe, the work of the Supreme Divinity. The Persians gave presents of eggs to the feast of the vernal equinox—in honor of the renewal of all things. The Jews adopted it to meet the circumstances of their history as a type of their departure from Egypt, and it was used in the feast of the passover as a part of the furnishing of the table with the Paschal lamb. The early Druids also used the egg in their ceremonies.—Ex.

Brice Breivities.

Reported For THE CHRONICLE. Otis Barnes went to Memphis Saturday and laid in a supply of farm implements.

Grandmother Dale is able to be about again after a few days illness.

Mr. Johnson was elected superintendent of the union Sunday school which was organized Sunday afternoon.

Born—April 2, a girl to Mr. and Mrs. Saloons; on April 4, a boy to Mrs. Jas. Sachse; on April 6, a boy to Mrs. Bullock. The stork seems much pleased with Brice community.

A. E. Benson had business in Memphis Sunday.

Messrs. Murff and Stewart were elected trustees last Saturday.

Miss Bertha Hudson returned home Saturday from several month's visit in Sulphur Bluff, Ft. Worth and Childress.

The infant baby of Jas. Sachse died Sunday and was buried Monday in the Clarendon cemetery.

There will be an entertainment at the school house on April 19, given by the teacher and pupils. A small admission will be charged with which we hope to add to our library of 25 volumes. Everyone invited. X

Mulberry School.

Below is a report of our school for the month ending March 26. Those who made an average of above 85 per cent on the written examinations their names appear.

1ST GRADE.	
Willie B. Morris	96
Hazel Barnes	94
Vernon Reed	93
William Bailey	93
Quintus Scaff	91
Ruth Wyatt	91
2ND GRADE.	
Lois Murff	95
Alethea Bullock	94
Ovil Northcott	94
Tom Coleman	92
Floyd Benson	92
Paul Murff	93
Sadie Stewart	86
3RD GRADE.	
Eltice Walls	88
George Benson	88
4TH GRADE.	
Kathrine Reed	91
6TH GRADE.	
Wade Murff	94
Vivian Benson	91
Zella Walls	91
Ola Bills	86
7TH GRADE.	
Olin Walls	90
8TH GRADE.	
Hardy Benson	93
Lottie Scaff	92
Howard Sims	85

IRENE J. BURDETT, Teacher.

Memphis. Democrat. Dr. W. R. Orr and Miss Lalla Crabtree were married at McLean last Sunday at the home of the bride's parents in that city.

The little 4-year-old boy of Mr. Neal, living on the Dick Hutcherson place five miles south of town, was very painfully kicked by a mule Monday.

C. L. Sloan received a fine automobile from Amarillo last Saturday. It is of the Cadillac make. This makes two autos in Memphis, and from what we can learn there will be several more within the next few months.

E. L. Jones made a trip to Clarendon last Friday afternoon with his auto, carrying a passenger. He returned Saturday afternoon. He made the trip in remarkably short time, considering he did not know any of the road over which he had to travel. His running time going up was three hours and forty minutes. He came back in three hours and twenty minutes.

Easter Sunday.

Easter Sunday which for centuries was observed only by certain churches is now almost universally kept as a day of days, all evangelical churches symbolizing it as the resurrection of Christ, a festival which in the early Christian era was distinguished as the Sunday of joy, and which Gregory Nazianzen 1,500 years ago called the "Queen day of days, that excels all others as far as the sun exceeds the other stars," and which is still known in the east as the "bright day." Another typical name for Easter is the "Holiday of Hope."

There is a wonderful charm and fascination in this queen festival of the year, which dominates the whole world with its wonderful lessons of returning life. Not only is the deep religious significance of the occasion illustrated in the most attractive and beautiful form as a lesson to the eye, and through that to the heart, but the joyful features of Easter, the upbringing of hope and the miracle of returning life, inspire a condition of joy and happiness in the lives of young and old, and the most insensible object becomes a part of the carnival of joy.—Ex.

Market Report.

The following is the Fort Worth stock market report for Thursday: Steers \$4.25 to \$5.10. Cows \$2.65 to \$4.75. Calves \$3.00 to \$5.50. Hogs \$4.40 to \$7.10.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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Destructive Mississippi Storm.

Memphis, Tenn., April 7.—Six persons are known to have been killed by a storm which swept over northern Memphis early last night and probably 15 were injured by the tornado, which covered a wide area and wrought much damage to outhouses and crops.

At Aberdeen, W. C. McMillan, cashier of the bank of Aberdeen and his son, T. T. McMillan were instantly killed in the wreckage of the Illinois Central Station. Two negroes also met death.

At West Point, much damage was suffered in the southern part of town.

At Rich, a terrific rain, hail and wind storm prevailed. Small houses were lifted from foundations and hail beat down growing crops.

At Cotton Plant, Ark., the negro Presbyterian church was demolished and other buildings damaged.

Big Oil Strike at Quanah.

Quanah, Tex., April 5.—A big flow of oil was struck at Quanah last week, on the property of the Acme Cement & Plaster company six miles west of Quanah at a depth of 220 feet. Though a pump has been kept going for over three days and nights, the flow remains undiminished. The oil is mineral and needs refining, being not unlike the crude Beaumont oil. A local company is being formed to pipe the oil from Acme to Quanah.

Change in Treasury Notes and Certificates.

The treasury department is going to make a change in the design of several denominations of notes in circulation.

It is believed the new notes when put in circulation will be welcomed by the public on account of their simplicity and the readiness with which different denominations may be fixed in mind. At present there are 17 different designs for United States notes and coin certificates of various denominations. Under the new plan there will be but nine, and the possibility of confusion will be reduced to a minimum, while the artistic quality of the notes will be greatly enhanced.

Under the plan adopted, all classes of notes of each denomination will carry the same portrait and no portrait will appear on the notes of more than one denomination, nor will any portrait be used which will not be immediately recognizable by every person who handles money. The one-dollar silver certificate will carry the portrait of Washington, the two-dollar silver certificate the portrait of Jefferson. The five-dollar note, whether silver, certificate or greenback, will carry the portrait of Lincoln, the ten-dollar gold and silver certificate that of Cleveland, the 20 dollar that of Grant, the 50-dollar that of Salmon P. Chase, the 100-dollar that of Alexander Hamilton.

The eagle, the buffalo and the Indian head, which have proved to be easily counterfeited, will disappear.

A Sumner joker, according to the Sumner, Mo., Star, walked into a bowling alley there and offered to sell his mule cheap. The proprietor, who knew the animal, jokingly offered \$1, which, to his surprise, was accepted. It was not until after the money was paid that the new owner was told that the mule had unexpectedly died that morning. He demanded that the goods be delivered to him there, however, and that the other man post \$1 to guarantee delivery. After this had been done, the original owner of the mule was reminded that the penalty for bringing dead animals into the town was a heavy fine. He paid the forfeit.

Last Sunday was called Palm Sunday in the church calendar, because palm branches were strewn in the path of the Saviour upon the occasion of His triumphal entry into Jerusalem a few days before his crucifixion on the following Friday.—Ex.

The Alabama state prohibition law was declared constitutional and valid by the state supreme court Monday.

OUR PRESTIGE ABROAD

William T. Stead Predicts the Americanization of All Europe.

FEDERATION THE OUTCOME.

Claims Only Influence of the American Idea Will Save the Old World—International Congress of Eminent Men Summoned to Unite All Nations.

Kipling's oft-quoted lines:
What do they know of England
Who only England know?

may be applied with equal force to Americans whose range of vision is limited to the United States. Of such there are many millions. Nothing surprises me more in talking to the average educated American than his ignorance of the extent to which American ideas are transforming the world.

Of the fact there can be no doubt. In the evolution of the Slavs of the Balkans the Robert College, that American institution on the Bosphorus, played a part more important than that of any foreign office in Europe, excepting that of St. Petersburg.

The most important development of internationalism that has taken place of late years was the opening of the International Parliament of Agriculture in Rome, where the King of Italy hopes it may develop into a universal parliament of the world. That institution, the full significance of which is as yet but little appreciated either in the Old World or the New, was the direct product of American thought. Mr. Lubia, a citizen from the Pacific Coast, brought the idea to Europe, where it found a cordial welcome and a permanent home.

I need hardly refer to the influence of Americans at the recent conference at The Hague. The American idea was felt to be greater, more potent than any of the American delegates. Mr. Carnegie looked in to see the foundation of the Temple of Peace, for which he found the money. Mr. Choate, General Porter, Admiral Sperry and I. B. Scott worthily upheld the honor of their country.

But behind them all, invisible as the atmosphere whose pressure all men feel, was the American idea—the only formative idea inspiring the conference—the idea of a free federation of sovereign independent states, living together in fraternal equality and settling all their differences by the impartial judgment of an independent supreme court.

Of these things many Americans have heard. But how many, or rather, how few have so much as heard of the latest and in some respects the most startling illustration of the dominating, all-pervading influence of the American idea?

How many are aware that on the twenty-ninth of March there will assemble at Rome an International Congress of eminent men from every European country, who will come together for the express purpose of discussing what should be done to bring about the federation of Europe on American lines?

But such a congress is to meet in Rome near the end of the month. It is proposed that an International Committee of representative men should be formed for the purpose of forming federation leagues in every country, whose object is to bring into existence the United States of Europe on lines approximating, as closely as possible, to the United States of America.

The assembly of European notables is the outcome of a continental pilgrimage undertaken by Sir Max Waechter, a naturalized British subject, born in Germany as far back as 1837.

Sir Max Waechter makes no secret of his admiration of America. He made a comparison between the United States of America and the disunited states of Europe, and came to the conclusion, that, to quote his own words: "Europe is gradually losing its position in the world, and this will in course of time be usurped by other nations, which are rapidly coming to the front, unless we pull ourselves together and abandon the vicious system now prevailing in Europe which handicaps us so seriously in the commercial struggle for existence."

There is only one answer to that. Europe must be Americanized or Europe is lost.

But, it will be asked, what chance has this bold German Briton of carrying out his Americanizing project?

It was to find that out that Sir Max Waechter last year made a political pilgrimage through Europe. In a conversation, which Mr. Charles Lowe reports in the Contemporary Review, Sir Max Waechter declared that so far from finding the sovereign statesmen of the Old World hostile they are prepared to consider their inevitable Americanization with an open mind.

So Sir Max is sanguine. Septuagenarians are often optimists, and the congress is going to be held, and I hope it may be my good fortune to be there to see how we wise men of Europe propose to Americanize the Old World.—William T. Stead, London correspondent of the New York American.

To Send Taft Garden Seed.

"Why, you're my Congressman," said President Taft to Representative Hardwick of Georgia, when the Augusta statesman called on him at Washington the other day, playfully referring to his recent sojourn in the South.

"That's right, and if you're good I'll send you some garden seed," cheerfully answered the Georgian, whose bulk is about one-third that of the President.

Full of Solid Meat.

Did you read President Taft's inaugural? No? Well, you ought to, for it is full of solid meat.—Adrian (Mich.) Times.

WANTED THEM SAVED.

Lincoln Stuck to His Selection of a Hospital Chaplain.

The nomination of a Mr. Shrigley of Philadelphia, a Universalist, for the position of chaplain for the hospital was not met with favor on all sides, and a delegation of protestants went to Washington to see President Lincoln on the subject. The following interview was the result:

"We have called, Mr. President, to confer with you regarding the appointment of Mr. Shrigley of Philadelphia as hospital chaplain."

"Oh, yes," replied the president. "I have sent his name to the senate, and he will no doubt be confirmed at an early date."

One of the young men replied, "We have not come to ask for the appointment, but to solicit you to withdraw the nomination."

"Ah," said Lincoln, "that alters the case. But on what grounds do you wish the nomination withdrawn?"

The answer was, "Mr. Shrigley is not sound in his theological opinions."

The president inquired, "On what questions is the gentleman unsound?"

"He does not believe in endless punishment. Not only so, sir, but he believes that even the rebels themselves will be finally saved," was the reply.

"Is that so?" inquired the president. The members of the committee responded, "Yes, sir."

"Well, gentlemen, if that is so and there is any way under heaven whereby the rebels can be saved, then, for God's sake and their sakes, let the man be appointed."

Mr. Shrigley was appointed and served until the end of the war.—Boston Post.

THE GREAT BOMBARDMENT.

A Constant Rain of Missiles Upon the World's Atmosphere.

The regions of space beyond our planet are filled with flying fragments. Some meet the earth in its onward rush; others, having attained inconceivable velocity, overtake and crash into the whirling sphere with loud detonation and ominous glare, finding destruction in its molecular armor or perhaps ricocheting from it again into the unknown. Some come singly, va grant fragments from the infinity of space; others fall in showers, like golden rain, all constituting a bombardment appalling in its magnitude.

It has been estimated that every twenty-four hours the earth or its atmosphere is struck by 400,000,000 missiles of iron or stone, ranging from an ounce up to tons in weight. Every month there rush upon the flying globe at least 12,000,000,000 iron and stone fragments, which, with lurid accompaniment, crash into the circumambient atmosphere.

Owing to the resistance offered by the air few of these solid shots strike the earth. They move out of space with a possible velocity of thirty or forty miles per second and, like moths, plunge into the revolving globe, lured to their destruction by its fatal attraction. The moment they enter our atmosphere they ignite, and the air is piled up and compressed ahead of them with inconceivable force, the resultant friction producing an immediate rise in temperature, and the shooting star, the meteor of popular parlance, is the result.

A Subtle Hint.

A representative in congress, who is the father of several bright girls, tells a story whereof one daughter is the main figure.

"For a long time," says the representative, "I had the bad habit of hanging about the lower floor when the girls had men callers. One evening I had settled in an easy chair in the reception room just off the drawing room when one of my girls, who was talking to a bright chap from our own state, called out:

"'Dad'!"

"What is it, daughter?"

"It's 9 o'clock, the hour when Tom and I usually go into committee."—Harper's Weekly.

When an Ostrich Kicks.

"The only safe place in the neighborhood of a kicking ostrich is just behind it," said a zoo keeper. "An ostrich can kick a mule to death, but its kicks are delivered at an angle of 45 degrees. Within those 45 degrees, right about the 'pop's nose' of the bird, there is absolute safety. On the ostrich farms of California, when the herds are being driven, you will always see the ostrich boys holding on to the tails of bad kickers. The kickers tear along, and their scaly legs shoot out like piston rods, but the boys in the shelter of the pop's nose are safe."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Condemnation.

"What do you think of members of European aristocracy as sons-in-law?" asked the old time friend.

"Well," answered Mr. Cumrox, "the way their relatives boss them around indicates that they ought to make easy husbands."—Washington Star.

The Idiotic Affair.

Irate Parent—Am I to understand there is some idiotic affair between you and that impecunious young ass, Lord Bilaris? Fair Daughter (very sweetly)—Only you, papa!—Illustrated Bits.

For Good.

It never seems to occur to persons who are getting married that they ought to take each other for good as well as for better or worse.—Philadelphia Record.

The tears of a penitent are the wine of angels.—Bernard.

TAFT'S CABINET TO TRAVEL.

President's Advisers to Learn of Departments by Personal Tours.

If President Taft's present desires are carried out, his advisers soon will become known as the "travelling Cabinet." Experience has taught the new Chief Executive that first-hand information is the best, and he will have each of the heads of the various departments of the Government make frequent tours of inspection.

Secretary of War Dickinson will make an early visit to the Isthmus of Panama to inspect the canal.

Secretary of the Interior Ballinger will go to Alaska to investigate conditions in that Territory, particularly in regard to public lands.

Secretary of the Navy Meyer probably will visit the various navy yards of the United States to acquaint himself with existing conditions.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson expects to visit the various State experiment stations this summer, also inspecting packing houses in the West.

Just what programme Mr. Taft has outlined for Postmaster General Hitchcock, Secretary of the Treasury MacVeagh, Attorney General Wickersham, Secretary of State Knox and Secretary of Commerce and Labor Nagel is not now known, but the nation's energetic "travelling man President," as he has been called, doubtless will find some way to keep all of them moving.

Stockings With Tassels.

The season's novelty in stockings has cunning little silk tassels dangling from the ankle and another pair higher up, reaching to about the top of the shoes. Nothing like these tassels has been seen before on stockings, but just now they are threatening to become as popular as the Scotch plaids of a few years ago. The tassels certainly give a fantastic touch to an otherwise discreet stocking, for they are loose and each tassel is about an inch long, made of fine silk and likely to dance and bob about with every step of the wearer. The tassel comes just above the instep and looks well with pumps or low slippers, and the higher tassel gives the effect of a silken Hessian boot. The new stockings are in silk or lisle and have besides the several tassels elaborate embroideries in different colors or in tones of the color of the stocking itself. A very pretty design is in the form of an elongated basket filled with flowers and worked in natural colors. The handle of the basket is finished off with the inevitable dancing tassels.

Chemical to Clear a Fog.

Jud W. Hurlburt of Burghill, near Cleveland, O., thinks he has discovered a chemical that will dispel fog, and if applied to water will prevent fog from rising. The combination is composed of several simple ingredients, whose cost is slight. In fact, 100 pounds will not cost more than \$3 or \$4. With 100 pounds an area of 500 feet radius may be cleared of fog, he says, the fluid floating on the surface of the water the same as oil. The limit of area that may be cleared is dependent only upon the amount of mixture used.

No Drums in the Middle Ages.

As we come to the middle ages, when the nations of modern Europe were struggling into existence, we find that at first the drum was not used at all. So, although melody had been known and practiced for many centuries, rhythm had been quite forgotten, for what there is left to us of the music of the middle ages contains no bars, and we know that it was slowly and monotonously chanted, without the least accent.

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