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## Convict Makes His Escape.

### OJENIO VALLO ASSAULTS JAILOR TOBIN AND GAINS HIS LIBERTY.

Ojenio Vallo, a Mexican who was sentenced at the last term of District Court here for two years in the penitentiary escaped from the county jail Tuesday evening about dark. Jailor J. F. Tobin opened the door to put a crazy Mexican in and also to lock the prisoners up in their cells as they had been loose in the run-around. He was not armed and as he stepped inside Vallo made a dash for the door, Tobin caught him and a terrible struggle ensued. The Mexican being much the heaviest and strongest man soon had the jailor bested and succeeded in jerking loose from him. Mr. Tobin got his gun immediately but his man was then out of sight in the darkness. He was followed by the officers for half a mile West of town and overtaken by officer Petty, who emptied his six-shooter at him without effect, owing to the darkness of the night. Vallo is well acquainted with this section of the country having lived in the county for the last thirteen years, therefore he stands a good chance of making good his escape, as he has friends among his race that will do all they can to help him elude the officers.

### EARLY POTATOES.

Mr. Will McMains of the Prairie View settlement, was in town Saturday with a load of truck for sale. The first potatoes of the season were in his load. Mr. McMains thinks he has solved the early potato problem as follows; plant late in the fall just long enough before frost to allow the vines to get good roots, then cultivate in the spring as for other crops. He says he left two rows of his fall planting for an experiment and finds large, well-formed potatoes already. This method might be tried with profit by others and his observations verified.

### STATE RANGERS.

The State Rangers will reorganize today. There will be six companies in the State. Four of these companies will consist of Captain, 1st Lieutenant, 2nd Lieutenant and two privates. The two remaining companies will be made up of 1st and 2nd lieutenants and two privates, to be commanded by 1st Lieutenants.

### GREATLY EXAGGERATED.

The State Health Department have received a letter from San Francisco in regard to the existence of the bubonic plague there. The letter states that reports have been greatly exaggerated, as up to date there have been only nine deaths from the disease occurred there and they were found in the unsanitary quarter known as "China town." At present there are no known cases of the plague in California and every precaution is being taken to prevent the reoccurrence of the disease.

Governor Sayers has applied to the Governor of the State of Chihuahua Mex., for the extradition of Frank Fossett, who is under arrest at Juarez, Mex, and is wanted at Ft. Worth.

John Gilliland and A. F. Crowley were killed in a freight wreck in San Antonio Tuesday.

## ELOPEMENT.

Mr. Thos. Dillard and Miss Lydia Buchanan of Twohig eloped and were married at the residence of District Clerk G. H. Knaggs in this city Tuesday evening at 5 o'clock, Rev. Bruce Roberts officiating. Although not altogether unexpected it came as a surprise to many of the young couple's most intimate friends. Miss Buchanan left home about noon Tuesday under pretense of taking the train to Encinal, to visit friends, but when she reached the station, according to arrangement Mr. Dillard met her with a buggy, whence they hurriedly drove to Cotulla, procured license and were united in the holy bonds of wedlock.

The contracting parties are well and favorably known. Mr. Dillard is a prosperous young ranchman of this county while the bride is one of Twohig's fairest belles, and they both have a multitude of young friends who join the Record in wishing for them a joyous and prosperous voyage over the stormy sea of life.

### HORSES FOR SALE.

The estimated number of horses in the world is 60,000,000, of which 20,000,000 are in Russia, 13,500,000 in the United States, 4,500,000 in the Argentine Republic and 4,000,000 in Austria-Hungary. It is to the last country, and more particularly to Hungary, that heretofore horse buyers in time of war have gone, for the reason that Hungarian horses have been believed to make the best mounts for cavalry, while Russian horses are not to be purchased except with the permission of the government, and the Argentine is too remote as a rule. Now the demand for horses for military use are being supplied to an increasing extent from the United States.

Very recently agents of the British government began to purchase horses in Texas. By the last enumeration there were 1,100,000 horses in Texas, and the sale of several thousand of them to the British government at prices ranging from \$50 to \$70 a head (the average value of a horse in the United States is about \$37) marks a feature of the development of a new item of American trade. It is not in respect to horses only that the United States offers a large market to the governments of other countries, for there are now in this country 2,000,000 mules, and thousands of these have been purchased for war service by the British government in South Africa. The armies of European countries are constantly increasing in size and with this increase comes the need of more horses. Roughly speaking, there are 1,000,000 horses required for military service on a war footing in all countries, or one horse in sixty. The requirements of the Russia army are 300,000, of France and Germany 200,000 each, and of England and the United States 100,000 each. Horses and mules bought in the United States have been seen in actual warfare to possess the very qualities needed. The horses have speed, endurance, strength and the mules, endurance and strength without speed.—New York Sun.

Officers had a fight with robbers and outlaws near Ardmore, I. T. recently, one robber was killed and one wounded.

## THE SUN'S ECLIPSE.

The eclipse of the sun on the 28th ult. which had been advertised so extensively by the newspapers throughout the land was witnessed by hundreds of thousands of people on every quarter of the globe in which it was visible. From the many stations of observation established by the Universities and scientific parties the taking of scientific data was entirely successful. Many parties who did not live along the line of totality made long journeys to view the eclipse, and nearly everywhere the sky was perfectly cloudless and nothing occurred to mar the benefit that was hoped and expected to be derived from the event by scientists. Total darkness prevailed at the mouth of the Rio Grande and although we were several degrees from the line of totality, only a very small portion of the sun remained unobscured. Every one was up early so as not to miss the sight of this rare phenomenon and smoked glasses were very much in evidence. About 6:30 the first perception was noticed and it was only a short time until the sun's sphere was half obscured, then a greyish green light streamed down and enveloped everything. It was indeed a wonderful sight worth seeing and it will be seventeen years until we will again have the opportunity to witness so grand a spectacle, although another eclipse of the sun will occur on the 12th of this month and be visible to America it will be of far less importance than the one just occurred.

### ODDS AND ENDS.

The recent eclipse of the sun was more widely advertised and talked about than anything that has happened in quite a while.

A French engineer says that when England conquers the Boers, she will have to keep an army of 150,000 men in the Transvaal.

After being dead to the world for over four months the irrepressible Aguinaldo has come to life again and is "raisin' Cain" in the far away Philippines.

The bible does not promise it, but there is not a young man who does not believe that the good Lord will forgive him for all the lies he tells when he is in love.

It is said that a Norwegian girl is not permitted to have a lover until she can bake bread, and as a rule she is generally a good cook long before she becomes a half sister to the mirror and gets acquainted with a paint box.

Weddings are becoming quite numerous in society now days, and there is nothing short about the number of divorce cases, as fourteen were granted in one day recently in the District court at Waxahachie.

There are ninety seven Methodist Missionaries in China. The Woman's Foreign Missionaries Society of the same denomination has forty-one missionaries in the same field. Total 142. The Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions has forty-two on the rolls of its Canton mission, fifty-nine in Central China, seventeen in Hainan, twenty-seven in Pekin, twenty-one in East Shantung, and forty-three in West Shantung. Its Central China mission also reports nineteen native preachers, seventeen licentiates, eighty-four teachers and other helpers. Total, 209 Americans and 103 natives.

### The Question of the Census Questions

The objects of the federal census are of three kinds: To furnish a basis for the apportionment of Representatives in the lower house of Congress; to ascertain the growth of the United States in numbers, wealth and industry; and to investigate the social organizations and institutions which determine the growth of population and wealth. The first is a constitutional necessity, the second a study of facts, and the third a study of causes.

Probably no social institution is so intimately connected with the growth of population as marriage. In investigating marital conditions the law requires about each person a statement whether he or she is single, married, widowed or divorced; if married, how many years the marriage has lasted; if a mother how many children she has had, and how many of these children are now living.

From the answers to the questions it is possible to determine the death rate, the prevalence of marriage, the proportion of women and children to the whole population, the duration and fruitfulness of marriage. So far as the power and importance of nations are dependent upon the size of the population to that extent it is the accurate determination of these questions a matter of public necessity.

In the United States there would seem to be a little danger of a decline in the population. But when we are sure that the population is growing, it is still necessary to know how it is growing. The millions of India are increasing, but it is by a process of many births and many deaths. In good years millions are born; in times of famine millions die, the population increasing because a few more are born than die. It is growth, but savage growth. There is more excellent kind of progress that resulting from the combination of a moderate birth rate and a small death rate.

The marital statistics collected by the census are in many respects very interesting. Thus, the extent and power of the anti-marital forces can be estimated in a way by ascertaining the proportion of people between 55 and 64 years of age who have never been married. Census statistics show that the proportion of unmarried females between these ages is greatest in the East, in North Carolina, Rhode Island and Massachusetts, for instance, while the proportion is smallest in the West, South Dakota, Utah and Oklahoma bringing up in the rear in the order named. Men, on the contrary, are far more likely to remain single in the West than in the East. The proportion of unmarried men between 55 and 64 is lowest in the Southern states, e. g., Arkansas, Alabama and Georgia and greatest in the block of the Western States west of the Mississippi. In Nevada 38.2 per cent of the males between 55 and 64 have been married, Idaho coming next with 29.5 per cent, etc.

That marriage is still preeminently the sphere of women seems to be indicated by the fact that more women marry than men, and they marry at earlier ages. Thus, only 31 per cent of females 15 years of age and over are unmarried, while among males of the same ages the proportion is 43 per cent. Taking girls and boys between 15 and 20 years of age, it is found that one out of every ten girls is married, while among the boys the proportion falls to one in two hundred.



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Old papers for sale at this office.  
A good shave at Arthur Leber's.  
Fresh honey at J. A. Landrum & Co's.  
All aboard for a Barbecue on the 4th.  
Jack Miller is in town to-day from Tuna.  
W. F. Jay was in the burg during the week.  
We had quite an electrical storm last night.  
Miss Lula Phillips is visiting friends at Pearsall.  
Honey! Honey!! at J. A. Landrum & Co's.  
J. N. Daniel returned from Pearsall Sunday.  
The past three or four days have been "scorchers."  
Mr. G. H. Knaggs has been on the sick list this week.  
Bud Bode went up to Pearsall yesterday as a witness.  
Several Carrizo wagons came in this morning after freight.  
R. A. Gilmer received a car of flour and meal yesterday.  
Chas. H. Myfield returned yesterday from Pearsall.  
Mrs. Geo. Hill returned to her home near Twohig Wednesday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Jourd J. Irvin were visiting in town Monday.  
Jessie Hill is up after a very severe spell of typhoid fever.  
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C. F. Binkley road overseer at Millet was in town yesterday.  
All the witnesses returned yesterday from the Pearsall court.  
Mr. Copp continues to ship out onions every day by express.  
Master Grover Nye is here from Laredo visiting his young friends.  
Sheriff Ortiz, of Laredo, was here Sunday after Jesus Garza.  
We regret to note the serious illness of Mrs. H. Riley this week.  
Inspector W. G. Johnson has returned from a business trip North.  
A. C. Ponkney spent a day in San Antonio this week on business.  
Get Krichbaum to repair your shoes. He's the boss shoe maker.  
Every body was up early Monday morning looking for the eclipse.  
A car of household goods arrived here yesterday for I. C. Jennings.  
Uncle Doc Burris was in town shaking hands with the boys yesterday.  
C. C. Thomas made business trips to San Antonio and Laredo this week.  
W. H. Johns has been in Pearsall this week attending District court.  
J. P. Williams of the Dull Ranch was in town yesterday evening.  
"Knights of the Grip" have been very much in evidence the last day or so.

Mrs. W. A. Old left to-day for Uvalde.  
E. A. Keck will sell you a Refrigerator or Bath tub cheap.  
Deputy Sheriff Woodlief Thomas attended Court at Pearsall this week.  
W. A. Old who resigned from the ranger service last week will leave to-day for Uvalde.  
The Carrizo hack leaves here every Mondays and Thursdays.  
Mosquitoes are about the warmest thing we know of just now.  
T. H. Gardner was in from the Prairie View settlement one evening this week.  
Sheriff Burwell and Capt. Rogers made a flying trip up the road yesterday.  
A social gathering is on tapis for to-night at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Guinn.  
Miss Nancy Reynolds of Dilley is in the city visiting the family of Dr. Livingston.  
T. A. Coleman and C. A. Keeran were on yesterdays South-bound train enroute to Encinal.  
Although we were not needing rain, the one that fell last night made a fine corn crop a surething.  
Kerr & Henrichson can sell you goods cheaper than you can buy them in San Antonio. Try them.  
F. D. McMahon returned yesterday from the Alamo City, where he had been to market some cattle.  
J. T. Salmon left yesterday morning for Pearsall to appear as a witness in the Cromwell case.  
Mr. Jno. F. Green, a stockman and merchant of Encinal returned last Sunday from a trip to Illinois.  
H. T. Henry and Pink Buckanan, well known young men of Twohig were in the city last night.  
A. Y. Old has returned from San Angelo, where he went last week as a witness in a murder case.  
Mrs. B. A. Johnson, of Waxabachie, is here on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Guinn.  
Jno. Evetts and T. B. Poole were in town yesterday after several week's absence in the "bush."  
Mrs. D. P. Roberts returned from Lockhart Monday after an absence of about six weeks visiting relatives.  
W. W. Sloan Jr. has returned to San Antonio after a week in the city visiting friends and relatives.  
Messrs. C. C. Thomas, E. M. Irvin, and W. M. Malcolmson favored us with orders for stationery this week.  
Jos. F. Green, an extensive cattle raiser of Southwest Texas was a passenger on Sunday's train enroute to Encinal.  
The North bound passenger train was about 5 hours late today. The delay was caused by a washout at Burro.  
J. H. Gilbert, a young bee man from the upper Nueces was down shaking hands with the Cotulla people a day or two this week.  
Alex Cromwell was sentenced for 4 years in the penitentiary for horse theft in the District Court at Pearsall Wednesday.  
Mrs. J. A. Landrum and Miss Madie Daniel have been quite sick the last few days, but are considerably improved at present.  
Mr. A. Armstrong sr. returned to the Territory Tuesday morning after a week's stay in the city attending to business matters.  
Miss Fannie Nye, who is well known to the young people of this city passed up the road Wednesday morning enroute to Houston to visit relatives.

Mr. W. G. Johnson received an order last Saturday morning from the Menger Hotel at San Antonio for 35 dozen roasting ears.  
Prof. J. H. Davis, our principal of the Public School next term has purchased the residence lately occupied by J. H. Buckelieu, from T. R. Keck.  
Mr. J. H. Buckelieu came around Wednesday and ordered the RECORD sent to him at Roswell, New Mexico, which place he will reside in the future.  
Melchor Martinez, who was tried in Pearsall Wednesday for the murder of Pablo Plata at this place last fall, was given 99 years in the penitentiary.  
Mr. N. A. Swink, manager of the mercantile firm of Green, Coleman & Co., of Encinal, was up between trains last Saturday looking after some business interests.  
L. F. Burris stepped into our office one day this week and handed us a dollar with the terse remark "keep the mare jumping." Come again Frank, such visits are welcome.  
Mr. G. H. Knaggs, accompanied by his two charming young daughters, Misses Carrie and Katie went to Encinal last Saturday evening, returning next day.  
Misses Cora and Jennie Lowe, who spent several weeks here visiting their sister, Mrs. J. G. Smith, left Saturday morning for their home in Pearsall. They were accompanied by Miss Lula Phillips.  
Mr. J. T. Maltberger, one of our prominent cattlemen will, within a short time build a fine residence at his ranch. Carpenters Burwell and Campbell have the contract to put up the building.  
Mr. W. M. Malcolmson and wife, who have been stopping at the Gilmer Hotel for several weeks left yesterday for the place they bought near Twohig. We understand Mr. Malcolmson will begin clearing land immediately preparatory to putting in a 100 acre vineyard.  
Ranger Wright and Detective Yarbrough went down the road Wednesday night to look out for the Mexican that escaped from jail, but returned next morning without success. The Mexican is acquainted with the country and no doubt "knows his route."  
The children of the Presbyterian Sunday School enjoyed a lawn party at the home of Mrs. H. A. Burwell on Wednesday from four till six.  
The party was given as a farewell to the Buckelieu children as a token of appreciation of their regular attendance and faithful work in the Sunday School.  
Mr. S. Elliott, one of the well known bee men of this section of the State was in town yesterday. He says that bees are not doing well this year on account of so much rain. Last year he considered a hard year on account of the drouth and his honey crop was about 20,000 pounds, but this year he will not get out over 15,000 pounds.  
Mr. J. H. Buckelieu and family left yesterday morning for Roswell, N. M., where they intend to make their future home. Mr. Buckelieu was one of our most respected citizens and the county loses a good man in his departure. Nevertheless we wish for them an abundance of success in their new field.  
Mr. S. G. McMains dropped in to see us a few minutes Saturday evening and showed his appreciation to the RECORD by the jingling coin he left with us. Mr. Mc says he is getting along with his hack line all O. K., business being very good.  
If you want to send a package or anything else to any place along the line leave your orders at the Post office and it will be promptly attended to.

Mr. W. H. Miller accompanied by his wife and two little girls of Clarksville, Texas, arrived here on Saturday's train to visit his brother, H. B. Miller, our popular Station Agent. After spending several days here they left Wednesday for Laredo, thence to Monterey, where they will remain some time viewing the sights.  
Mr. Ira C. Jennings and family arrived here from the Alamo City Tuesday and intends to make this their home in the future. Mr. Jennings moved to San Antonio with his family about a year ago, but Cotulla seems to have some fascination that always draws people back. The RECORD with their numerous friends extend to them a cordial greeting.  
When the Mexican prisoner escaped last Tuesday night there was quite an excitement for a while. "Uncle Mart" the hotel man was out in his cowpen at the time, and one of his boarders informed us that he came near knocking down all of his cattle patch trying to find a place to hide.  
Mr. Wm. Liang Malcolmson was a very pleasant caller at our office Monday afternoon. He recently came here from Mexico with the view of putting in a vineyard. Says that no doubt we have just as fine land here for growing grapes as in California, and having purchased a section of land near Twohig will start to work immediately clearing the land.  
Ed Robuck shipped a car load of choice mixed cattle to San Antonio Wednesday. In the bunch were three large steers that Mr. Robuck paid \$40 each for. They weighed 1210 pounds and sold for \$3.75.  
A. Armstrong Jr. and T. H. Poole bought from A. Armstrong the entire stock of what is known as the Armstrong & Beckwith cattle. The deal amounted to \$40,000.  
A large herd of stock cattle belonging to I. C. Jennings that were being moved from Dilley to the S. Ranch, were penned here Tuesday night.  
F. D. McMahon purchased a car load of choice fat cows and shipped them out to the San Antonio market.  
A. Armstrong Sr. purchased the half interest of Henry Beckwith in the stock of cattle known as the Armstrong-Beckwith cattle, for \$20,000.  
M. A. Withers & sons of Mill-lett are delivering the cattle they sold to I. T. Pryor several weeks ago.  
Armstrong & Poole will ship out a train of fat cattle for St. Louis tomorrow.  
F. D. McMahon shipped a car of choice steers to Houston Monday.  
Cow buyers are exceedingly numerous in this vicinity at present.  
**How Are Your Kidneys?**  
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Mrs. J. B. Davenport received the sad news yesterday that a small child of Mr. H. Lowe's a relative of her's who lives at Moore, had been buried to death. She left on this morning's train to attend the funeral.  
A. Y. Old left to-day for San Angelo. Mr. Old has been with us for nearly two years in Rogers Ranger Co., and has proven himself a first-class officer. It is with regret that we see him leave.  
The Yaqui Tribe of Red Men of La reddy gave a fine entertainment on Decoration Day.  
Constable Petty and John Reynolds were arrivals on this evening's train.  
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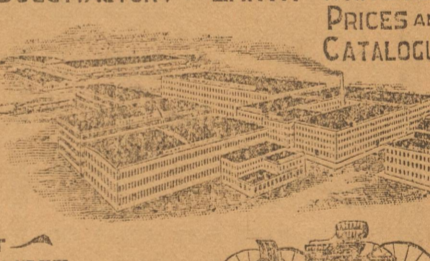
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