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Capital City Letter

Austin, Tex., Nov. 17.—Resignations and appointments among state officials has been the order during the past week. Most of the resignations have been in anticipation of going up higher in officialdom. The promptness with which the governor has made and announced appointments to fill vacancies is worthy of notice because so different from his former policy of keeping the expectant ones waiting day after day until it became an open question whether he hesitated because unable to make up his mind or just wanted to keep the candidates on the rack.

Attorney General R. V. Davidson has resigned his office, effective Jan. 1, 1910, in order to give all his time to his campaign for governor on the democratic ticket. He announces himself as the candidate of no ring or party, as advocate of suitable pensions for Confederate veterans and their widows, the enlargement and improvement of the state eleemosynary institutions and adequate provision for the care of tubercular patients, the encouragement by liberal laws of the agricultural, commercial and railroad development in the state, improvement of the public school system, especially the rural schools, continued enforcement of the anti-trust laws of the state, divorce of the state university and the agricultural and mechanical college, with legislation placing each of these institutions on an independent and self-sustaining basis and adequate provision for the care of every student. He expresses approval of many reform laws recently enacted, urges strict adherence to platform pledges, opposes state-

wide prohibition while favoring local option, but declares himself in favor of the legislature submitting a constitutional amendment on the question of state-wide prohibition. He says that a campaign for the nomination that would give promise of success will demand such attention as to render the performance of official duties impractical, and he is unwilling to continue in office and place himself in the attitude of receiving the people's money in a salary for services not rendered.

J. R. Bowman, of Amarillo, a member of the house of the 30th and 31st legislatures, and a member of the legislative penitentiary investigating committee, has been appointed private secretary to the governor, to succeed A. M. Barton.

By the latter part of this week a report may be expected from the penitentiary investigating committee. That it will reveal anything not already told, by the press of the state is not expected. It is expected, in fact, that it will indicate many of the press reports to have been overdrawn, and while admitting abuses and cruelty, especially in the lease system, will find much in the management of the penitentiaries to praise and approve. It will doubtless make suggestions for present reforms within the power of the governor to order and indicate future legislative enactments which will prevent any recurrence of the evils found to exist. Few if any now believe that the report will be of such a nature as would influence the governor to call a special session of the legislature.

Railroad Commissioner Colquitt has started a movement for emergency lumber rates within the state, which will en-

able Texas lumber producers to compete successfully with equal rates from Louisiana and Arkansas points materially cut by division of those rates with the originating logging road, usually owned by the lumber producer, thus effecting, it is asserted, a species of rebating. The movement is credited by some to President Ripley of the Santa Fe, whose road has lost shipments by refusing to divide with the tap lines. The hearing, set for last week, was continued to December 14, when lower lumber rates will undoubtedly be announced. The railroads and lumber men may have reached an agreement by that time, but Chairman Mayfield of the commission, has long advocated lower lumber rates and is believed to have the support of Commissioners Williams and Colquitt.

T. & P. Teachers' Ass'n.

The Texas & Pacific Teachers' Association met at Roscoe this morning at 9:30. The following Big Springs teachers are on the program for papers:

Supt. A. D. Ellis, "A Professional Course of Study for the Teachers."

Miss Kate McSpadden, "Expression of Mental Development in Primary Grades."

W. B. Penn, "Women or Men for the Grammar Grades? Which? Why?"

Miss Willa Caldwell, "The Teaching of Language in the Grammar Grades."

Miss Ruby West, "The Proper Method of Presenting History in the High School."

A New Music Store

A new music house is the latest addition to Big Springs.

O. P. Owens and John F. Mann, of Abilene, are the promoters, and the concern will begin business at the corner of Main and Second. Both gentlemen interested are professionals in their line, and that their venture will be a success goes without saying.

Howard County Shrinks

As the result of a survey recently made 30 square miles of territory has been taken from Howard county, and Big Springs is now the capital of 19,200 fertile acres less. The land in controversy was awarded to Martin county.

A New Depot

It seems that the T. & P. has at last recognized the claims of Big Springs for a new passenger station, and that such an edifice will be in course of erection in a short time.

General Manager L. S. Thorne and several other officials were in the city this week, and while they stated nothing positive, it was gathered from what they dropped that a new depot at this place was one of the improvements contemplated by the company.

Big Springs is much in need of a modern and commodious structure for the accommodation of the traveling public, and every one will be pleased to learn that it will soon have an edifice that will be in keeping with the commercial importance of the town.

Foot Ball News.

Saturday afternoon the Coahoma team came up and played the Big Springs High School team. The game was called at 4 o'clock and the home team had a walk-over from the start and at the end of the game the score stood 62 to 0 in favor of the home team.

The Coahoma boys were in charge of Prof. J. L. Webb, principal of their school, and were a nice, gentlemanly lot of fellows who took their defeat good naturedly.

Bancroft-Lewis

Dr. Bancroft is considered an authority in the study of psychic phenomena. He has a message to deliver of vital importance to all men. No thinking man or woman can afford to miss this rare intellectual treat, and after you have heard it you will consider it is very properly named. This famous lecture has drawn crowded houses in the principal cities throughout the country, people even going a second and third time to hear it. You can not afford to miss this rare scientific treat. Mme D. Lillian Lewis will be seen and heard in a delightful selection of vocal and literary gems as a prelude.

The Bancroft-Lewis attraction make good or they would not receive the guarantee that they do for their work; every night of their lecture season being taken months in advance. No more deserving attraction will appear in this city this season, nor one that will give more general satisfaction. The proof of the pudding is in the eating. Take a bite and you will want more.

Given under the auspices of the Baptist Ladies' Aid Society at the opera house, next Monday and Tuesday nights. Be sure you hear these great entertainers and at the same time help the Baptist ladies in their efforts to help build their handsome church building.

Tickets on sale at Ward's Drug Store.

Texas Life Insurance, Waco, Tex., a Great Success.

When something of real value is offered it can always be sold. This is verified by the sales of the new stock of the Texas Life Insurance Co. This stock is finding a ready sale in all parts of the state. The reason lies in the fact that the Texas Life is a dividend paying enterprise. It has already made its record. The success of the Texas Life has been used as the main argument to sell millions of the stock of other companies. The Texas Life has been a success from the start. \$100,000 was paid in by the original stockholders. The company has already paid back to the stockholders in dividends

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MO SPRINGS, TEXAS

Dynamite is a bad joke for baggage masters.

The frost is on the pumpkin and the rock is in the rye.

Still, the czar and King Victor Emmanuel are not too old for those kissing games.

The last rose of summer is beginning to think it is not worth while to bloom alone.

If Christopher Columbus could discover America again now, he would be almost as much astonished as he was before.

Mars is about 35,000,000 miles distant from the earth just now, says a contemporary. Not close enough to fan us.

Over 150 persons have been killed while climbing the Alps this year, but just wait until the list of football fatalities is handed in.

The latest in millinery is the toque. And we suppose they'll seque the toque, and poque it and joque it, and the old man will go broque paying for it.

A school for turning out model housewives has been started in Chicago. Already we can hear the hiss which such an institution will deliver to the divorce microbes.

College football is already claiming its victims. A thousand victories on the gridiron do not compensate for the loss of a single life or the permanent injury of one player.

Considering the average character of New York pie there's encouragement for the crusaders against dyspepsia in the reduction by the strikers from 100,000 to 3,000 in the daily output.

An economic expert declares that women do not know how to buy. This libel upon the shopping sex is sure to be regarded with national indignation. What would the bargain phase of domestic commercial life be without the women?

When the north pole is exploited as a summer resort it should be popular in open seasons for the reason that by rowing around it over a course not more than half a mile in length anyone who cares for the distinction may claim a certificate as a circumnavigator.

Now a New York minister says that women's intemperance in drink, smoking and dress is destroying society. For the number of times it has been destroyed in a similar way at different periods society must have a resurrection power on the gunmetal order.

Germany increased 896,000 in population during the year which ended with June last. France is gaining but little if any, and someone has made the cruel remark that Napoleon, the great French soldier, once cynically remarked that Providence is on the side of the heaviest battalions.

Sir Thomas Lipton reveals the inherent nature of his persistency in struggling for the America's cup by making provision in his will for continuance of the contests in the event of his death. The document is practically notification to the New York Yacht club that it cannot expect to hold to its determination not to race under the universal rule long enough to escape another Lipton challenge.

Edward Ginn of Boston, believes in peace and has given substantial proof of his inclination in that direction. He has just given \$1,000,000 to promote the cause of peace, and says he will set aside \$50,000 annually for the same purpose hereafter. The field is an attractive one for cultivation, and few objects are more worthy than trying to save life and expense by maintaining peace among the nations.

Apparently there still is a strong disinclination to serve in the Spanish army, particularly when it is quite possible the soldiers may be sent to fight in Morocco, where everything is not going Spain's way at present. A Spanish steamer which has just arrived at San Juan, Porto Rico, brought 7,500 young men from Spanish colonies, every one of the party bent on escaping service in the king's military establishment.

It is pointed out by the New York Sun that Freshman Sidis, the youth who has matriculated at Harvard at the more than usually immature age of 11 years, is not in a class by himself. Andrew Preston Peabody was graduated at 15 and Edward Everett entered when he was 13, while Cotton and Increase Mather were on the university rolls when 11 and 12 respectively. The Sun believes that the attention that young Sidis has received is not only undesired but regrettable.

Every few days there comes a dispatch from Los Angeles saying that a party has been lost in the mountains or that a family has perished on the desert. Southern California seems to need more guide posts.

The most accommodating man on record lived until lately in Pennsylvania. He was hanged, but before his execution expressed willingness to have granted the request of his wife to see him hanged and to have her share that pleasure with the man she intended to marry after it was over.

MAKING RIGID INQUIRY

STATE DEPARTMENT TO LEARN STATUS OF GROCE AND CANNON.

CONCENTRATING WARSHIPS

Naval Activity Continues and Show of Force May Have Marked Effect on Yelaya.

Washington, Nov. 24.—The delay of the United States in acting with respect to the killing by order of President Yelaya of Nicaragua of the two Americans, Groce and Cannon, developed yesterday that it was on account of the Government being unable to fix the status of the men killed in Nicaragua.

It was explained that every effort is being made to determine whether these men were members of the revolutionary army, or were acting on their own responsibility.

If it can be proven, as seems doubtful, that they were really responsible for the planting of mines for blowing up troop ships of the Nicaraguan Government and were acting on their own responsibility, the status will be different than had they been acting as part of the revolutionary forces.

The American Vice Consul at Managua, Henry Caldera, has been instructed to obtain all possible information on this subject.

It is believed plans for concentration of warships and marines on the Nicaraguan coast will continue, and it may be that this show of force will have a marked effect.

Death of Congressman De Armond.

Butler, Mo.: Congressman David A. De Armond, with his grandson, David A. De Armond III, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed the historic De Armond mansion in this city Tuesday morning. David De Armond (Dem.) of Butler was born in Blair County, Pa., March 18, 1844; was brought up on a farm; educated in the common schools and at Williamsport, Dickinson Seminary; was State Senator, Circuit Judge, Missouri Supreme Court Commissioner; was elected to the Fifty-Second, Fifty-Third, Fifty-Fourth, Fifty-Fifth, Fifty-Sixth, Fifty-Eighth, Fifty-Ninth and Sixtieth Congress, and re-elected to the Sixty-First Congress.

Child Burned to Death.

Paris: Marguerite, the 13-year-old daughter of Conductor John Botts, of the Texas Midland, was fatally burned Tuesday morning, at the family residence on Grama street. She was standing in front of the hearth dressing when her sannelotta gown became ignited and the blaze rapidly enveloped her. The burns extended from head to feet. She died at 5 p. m.

Boys in Reform Institutions.

Dallas: Sixty-three boys have been placed in institutions during the last year by the Probate and Juvenile Court in Dallas. Probation Officer W. G. Lee-man, upon whose recommendation the boys were sent to reformatories, shows by his accounts that the city and county have spent \$1,679 for this reclamation work, out of an available appropriation of \$3,000.

Volcano Becomes Active.

Teneriffe, Canary Islands: An earth shock occurred Monday and the volcanic eruption increased. Two of the five active craters have joined and are belching forth flames to the height of 150 feet. The lava flow, however, is not so rapid as it was a few days ago and there is no immediate danger to the villages.

Big Fire at Mart.

Mart: About 7 o'clock Tuesday morning fire was discovered in the rear of Wallace Lancy's blacksmith shop, which quickly spread to the Reeves boarding house, Copeland's feed store and other buildings, doing damage of \$5,000.

Five Burn to Death.

New York: Five persons were burned to death in a tenement house fire in Brooklyn Tuesday morning. Eight other persons were seriously injured.

Death Caused by Pellagra.

Lexington, Ky.: The first case of pellagra ever reported in Kentucky proved fatal Tuesday to Mrs. John B. Connor, wife of a construction foreman, who died of the new disease at the Good Samaritan Hospital.

Wagon Load of Turkeys \$90.

Taylor: L. R. Shugart, a diversifying farmer of the Hutto community, eight miles west of town, brought into Taylor a wagon load of turkeys for which he received \$90 in cash.

Turkeys 30c Per Pound.

New York: Dealers declare that the price of turkeys will be higher in this vicinity than ever before. Small turkeys are now quoted at 30c a pound and large ones at 32c for best quality.

Opium Seized at El Paso.

El Paso: The customs authorities here seized 400 cans of opium alleged to have been smuggled, valued at \$7,600, Tuesday. No arrests were made. Within the last month more than \$20,000 worth of smuggled opium has been seized at El Paso.

NEWS FROM OVER TEXAS

Fifteen inmates of the State Insane Asylum at Austin have contracted typhoid fever. Improper sanitation is supposed to have been the cause.

Mrs. Mollie Davis, a widow who lived about four miles south of Huntington, Texas, was thrown from a wagon Friday and almost instantly killed.

Surveyors of the Texas Central Railroad are reported coming toward Snyder from Rotan. They are twelve miles east of Snyder in the Nelson ranch, it is said.

Word was received Sunday that H. M. Keck, a prominent farmer living about eight miles south of Gonzales, had killed himself by gunshot wound and cremation.

George Oliver, one of the leading merchants of Abbott, was found dead in bed Saturday morning. He was about 35 years old and leaves a family.

Contractors began work on the \$10,000 school building ground at Kosse, Friday, for which the town was bonded a short while ago. The bonds were sold in Chicago.

The Colorado and Southern Railroad has absorbed the Stamford and Northwestern Railroad, recently completed, which runs from Stamford to Dickens, in the Texas Panhandle.

The \$200,000 cotton mill for McKenney is practically assured. About \$170,000 of stock has already been taken and it is expected that the remainder will be subscribed soon.

Nineteen persons were injured in a wreck of a Frisco passenger train, two miles north of Rogers, Ark., Wednesday afternoon. Spreading rails caused the derailment of the train.

Contracts have been closed up whereby W. R. Hamilton of Farmersville is to pay \$62.50 an acre cash for the Wm. Robertson farm of 320 acres in the eastern part of Denton County, near Little Elm.

Charles M. Armstrong has sold, through a San Antonio real estate firm, the old Timon ranch, in Starr and Hidalgo Counties. The property consist of 40,000 acres, and the price was approximately \$250,000.

John Ritchie, Jr., the well-known scientist of Boston, received the following dispatch from Prof. Lowell at Flagstaff, Ariz., Thursday. "An observation of Halley's comet shows a star-like head and a semblance of a hood."

Twelve million feet of standing timber in the state forests in Cherokee County, Texas, located between Rusk and Palestine, were ordered sold by the State Penitentiary Board at a session held Thursday.

The Terrell delegation which went to Dallas Friday to confer with Dallas representatives on the proposition to build an interurban line from Dallas to Terrell via Mesquite and Forney, returned and announced that a company was organized.

Ninety million tons of coal, one-fifth of the total production of the country, were consumed by the 51,000 locomotives in the United States in 1906 in hauling freight and passenger trains. This fuel cost the railroad companies \$170,500,000.

Satisfactory progress in the construction of the Panama Canal is shown in the annual report of the Isthmian Canal Commission for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, made public by the Secretary of War at Washington Sunday.

Famished, nearly exhausted and many wearing borrowed clothes, the 106 men, women and children passengers of the steamer St. Croix, which burned and sank Saturday off Point Duma, arrived in Los Angeles, Sunday. With them came the seventy-six officers and members of the crew, likewise exhausted and destitute.

The building committee of the Broadway Presbyterian Church in Ft. Worth, met Tuesday and adopted plans for the new edifice to take the place of the building destroyed by fire April 5. The new church, to cost \$60,000.

The Amarillo Chamber of Commerce has passed resolutions urging Congress to make an appropriation of \$250,000 for a Federal building in this city.

The Tri-State Medical Association, composed of Arkansas, Louisiana and Texas, and the Northeast Texas Medical Society met in Marshall in joint session Tuesday.

Dirt has been broken for the new court house at Roby. The building is to cost \$65,000, and to be completed within ten months.

About 10 o'clock Wednesday night, while crossing the basin at Fort Arthur, three men were drowned by the ship capsizing.

J. R. Bowman of Amarillo Friday accepted appointment to the confidential station of private secretary to Gov. Campbell, succeeding A. M. Barton, who becomes financial agent of the State penitentiaries, vice J. C. Haynes, resigned.

The Concho, San Saba and Llano Valley Railway, from Miles to Paint Rock, has issued a time card announcing that it will operate regular daily trains from Miles to the Concho River, which is within two miles of Paint Rock, beginning Monday, Nov. 22nd.

Jewell P. Lightfoot of Camp County will be the next Attorney General of Texas. Governor Campbell Tuesday announced that he would appoint Lightfoot to that position when Attorney General Davidson leaves the office on Jan. 1 to make the race for Governor.

GOOD ITEMS OF NEWS

ENTIRE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS THAT ARE WORTH PASSING NOTICE.

WHOLE WORLD THE FIELD

Current Domestic and Foreign News Boiled Down to Readable and Small Space.

A wedding party of five in an automobile was dashed from a thirty-foot bridge at Cuthbert, Ga., Sunday night, three being instantly killed and the other two fatally injured.

Bruce Claiborne living a mile and a half northeast of Petty, gathered forty-one bales of cotton from ninety acres and paid out only \$150 for hired labor. He sold the cotton for the average price of 12 1/2c.

If the present decline in the birthrate should continue for 150 years there would be no more births at that time, according to Prof. Walter F. Wilcox, the statistician of Cornell University.

Competing for the Weiller Height prize for heavier than air machines, Hubert Latham Friday, in a monoplane, ascended a distance of 1,345 feet and M. Paulhan, in a biplane, 1,181 feet, in Buoy, France.

J. S. Lansdale, an ex-Confederate soldier who served throughout the Civil War in Forrest's command and was twice wounded, died at his home in McKinney Wednesday. The deceased was 64 years old.

Railroads continue to report large gains in total gross earnings, all the United States roads reporting for the first week of November making a showing of \$8,113,835. This is an increase of 14.3 per cent over last year.

Instead of having one week of aerial flights for the international aviation meet, which is to be held in this country next year, the Aero Club of America is planning a carnival to continue at least a month in various cities.

News from Cleveland, Ohio, says: The second severe storm of the autumn season on the Great Lakes has completely abated. It is estimated damages to the extent of probably \$500,000 was suffered by marine interests.

The heaviest earthquake recorded since the shock of April 18, 1906, was felt in Salinas, Cal., Monday. Buildings rocked and cracked for fifteen seconds and people rushed into the streets for safety. No damage has been reported.

The Brady railroad committee has signed up the contract with the Santa Fe. Brady gives the Santa Fe a bonus of \$45,000 and right of way from the eastern line of McCulloch to and through the town of Brady and depot grounds.

Leaping from a runaway buggy in Houston, late Monday afternoon, Miss Bettie Dorothy Mendelsohn, daughter of C. Mendelsohn of that city, sustained internal injuries and a fracture at the base of the skull which resulted in death.

Benjamin Levin of Chicago, has given an orange grove in Florida as a reward to Private Charles J. Morris of the United States Signal Corps, stationed on Beers Island, for having saved Mr. Levin's 10-year-old son, Robert, from drowning on Friday.

Following a conference with the President at the White House in Washington, Sunday night, Secretary Knox authorized the following statement: "If certain representations of facts which have been made to the State Department concerning the Groce and Cannon case are verified by inquiries that have been made, this Government will at once prepare a demand on the Nicaraguan Government for reparation for the death of these two men."

How to test the fitness of a couple of hundred thousand candidates for appointment as census enumerators by means of civil service examinations held at hundreds of different points all on one day is the tough problem that U. S. Census Director Durand and his chief aids are now struggling with.

The H. Clay Pierce false swearing case is set for the 25th of this month. It is not known in Austin whether Mr. Pierce has returned from Europe or not. It will be remembered that he has been spending some time across the water and while away took to himself a bride.

The phenomenally heavy rains of the past few days are beginning to cause considerable damage in the Panama Canal Zone. The disastrous mudslides occurred early Thursday in Culebra cut and it is feared others will follow.

A negro, James Estes, was lynched in Delhi, La., Saturday, for the murder of City Marshal Walter Nichols. The negro shot the officer when the latter attempted to arrest him for disorderly conduct and was shot by the Marshal, and was in a dying condition when hanged.

The mail steamer Laysan, running between Jaca and Singapore, on her way to the latter port, was in collision early Sunday with the steamer Onda of the British India line and sank within two minutes. One hundred and one passengers were drowned.

A. M. Barton resigned the position of private secretary to Governor Campbell Thursday to become financial agent of the Texas penitentiary system, vice J. C. Haynes, resigned, and it is rumored that W. B. Townsend will resign the office of Secretary of State to become private secretary to the Governor.

C. E. Estes, who has been editor and proprietor of the Kansas Tribune for fifteen years, died Monday morning.

When are people in Texas allowed to kill quail? You may kill twenty-five quails or doves in any one day only from Nov. 1 to Feb. 1 of each year.

Work on the Glen Rose and Walnut Springs Railroad is being pushed forward very rapidly. Three miles of dump and trestles have been completed.

That hundreds of Chinese have been smuggled into New Orleans in oyster sacks, in the last few months, was discovered by Federal authorities here Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Lebrecht, the aged mother of one of the best known and most highly respected families in Lawton, was found dead in the bathroom at her home in that city, Tuesday.

The contract has been let for the erection of the Canada postoffice building, which is to be of concrete blocks and 25x60 feet in dimensions. Work has begun and it will be put up at once.

After extensive preparations, the Hall County Oil, Gas and Coal Company began drilling near Memphis, Texas, Tuesday. Oil experts state the field gives physical evidence of great possibilities.

At the Presbyterian banquet at the Worth Hotel, in Ft. Worth, Monday night, \$2,125 was pledged to the \$200,000 endowment fund for the four educational institutions of the denomination in Texas.

A tornado which passed over Hamilton, Ohio, Monday afternoon, wrecked property to the amount of \$50,000, while barns and outbuildings in rural parts of the country were blown down and other damage done.

W. H. Dowd, postmaster at Bunty, a suburb of Memphis, Tenn., was shot and killed at that place Thursday by Mrs. H. C. Clarke. Mrs. Clarke used a pistol and fired two bullets into Dowd's body, killing him almost instantly.

Insurance of \$1,500,000 has been applied for on the life of George E. Nicholson, 40 years of age, a manufacturer of Kansas City. Insurance men say this is the largest amount of life insurance ever sought at one time upon the life of one person.

A loss of \$50,000 resulted from a fire in Americus, Ga., Wednesday night caused by an unknown negro attacking Night Watchman Lee McMichael of the Americus Construction Company and knocking the latter's lantern over, setting some lumber afire.

Attorney General Wickersham, at Washington, has announced that F. J. Heney of San Francisco, has been reappointed a special attorney of the Department of Justice to prosecute the so-called Pacific Coast land fraud cases, on which he has been engaged.

An earth shock occurred Monday at Tenerife, Canary Island, and the volcanic eruption increased. Two of the five active craters have joined and are belching forth flames to a height of 150 feet. The lava flow is now so rapid as it was a few days ago and there is no immediate danger of the villages.

The sugar trust scandal which has been in the process of development in New York for the past several months has reached a stage of where it has become the gravest problem with which the Administration has to deal at this time. It was almost the exclusive subject of discussion in the Cabinet meeting this morning, and all indications are that President Taft and his advisers are determined on a vigorous investigation of the scandal.

The attendance at the preliminary conference to the West Texas Development Congress, which had its opening session Monday in Abilene, was slightly in excess of forty. San Angelo sent fifteen delegates, who arrived Monday night from Sweetwater. Delegates also attended from Merkel, Stamford, Cisco, Mertson, Plainview and Dalhart.

Francis Thome, the composer, died in Paris, France, Tuesday. He was born Oct. 18, 1856.

The greatest gathering of Master Masons that has ever assembled in a single city in this country, and possibly in the world Tuesday participated in the dedication of the new Masonic Temple in Baltimore.

Ten workmen are known to have perished and perhaps several more met the same fate when a cavity on the extension of the Norfolk and Winston-Salem Western at Balm Creek, engulfed a construction gang Tuesday.

Five thousand square miles of land in Illinois, or an area equal to that of Connecticut, is subject to inundation by the overflow of streams, according to an address made by Gov. Dempsey at the opening session in Chicago Tuesday of the National Farm Congress.

Scores of dogs in Ft. Worth fell victims to the poisoner Wednesday night, and the first residents asth Thursday found some parts of the streets strewn with the lifeless bodies of pointers, setter, terriers and curs.

Figures made public Friday show that the money order business at the Dallas postoffice in October had a volume of \$1,332,194.63. This was a very material increase over any previous report of the office.

The elimination from the customs service of Deputy Collector James F. Vail, the abolition of that office in the New York customhouse, the dismissal of 188 men at New York from March 4 up to Friday night, together with nearly 150 other changes included in Collector Lobb's statement Friday from New York, were announced by Secretary MacVough in Washington.

HE DISCOVERED THE CULPRT

Announcement of School Principal Not at All Comforting to the Teacher.

One of the women teachers went to the principal of a school in Queen's borough the other day. "Mr. Mark," she said, "I think you had better go upstairs. A substitute teacher is on duty up there, and I am afraid she is having a terrible time. The noise is so terrific the children down here scarcely can study."

"The principal went up the stairs two steps at a time, and the noise soon ceased. When he returned to the lower room his face was grim. "Miss Henderson," he said, "if you hear any more of those noises let me know at once."

"Indeed I will," she replied. "It is simply outrageous that parents should bring their children up so they will behave that way. Did you find out who the children were?"

"Yes, I found out," the principal said, scowlingly. "One is your nephew and the other is my son," he replied, and the woman teacher almost collapsed.—New York Press.

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Furnished by High Medical Authority. Gives Prompt Results.

The only logical treatment for catarrh is through the blood. A prescription which has recently proved wonderfully effective in hospital work is the following. It is easily mixed.

"One ounce compound syrup of Sarsaparilla; one ounce Tonic compound; half pint first-class whiskey. These to be mixed by shaking well in a bottle, and used in tablespoon doses before each meal and at bedtime.

The ingredients can be gotten from any well stocked drugstore, or they will get them from his wholesale house.

Chance to Destroy Human Enemy.

At the present time there are in the United States only 6,000 beds and 75,000 advanced cases of consumption who ought to be in hospitals. The National Association for the Study and Prevention of Tuberculosis declares that at least 70,000 more beds in hospitals are needed for advanced cases of consumption. Until these are provided, tuberculosis cannot be wiped out. If every body in the United States gave five dollars to provide hospitals for the dangerous consumptives, sufficient funds would be procured to destroy forever the threat of tuberculosis from this country.

A Painless Death.

A teacher in the factory district of a New Jersey town had been giving the children earnest lectures upon the poisonousness of dirt.

One morning a little girl raised her hand excitedly and pointed to a boy who seldom had clean hands.

"Teacher," she said, "look quick! Jimmie's committin' suicide! He's suckin' his thumb."—Success Magazine.

Ready for the End.

The rector and a farmer were discussing the subject of pork one day and the rector displayed considerable interest in a pen of good-sized Berkshire pigs. "Those pigs of yours are in fine condition, Tomkinson," he remarked. "Yes, sir; they be," replied the matter-of-fact farmer. "Ah, sir, if we was all of us only as fat to die as they be, sir, we'd do."—London News.

What's that clicking sound? Millions of white teeth—chewing fragrant WRIGHT'S SPEARMINT.

The best preparation for the future is the present well seen to, and the last duty well done.

Levin's Single Binder gives the smoker what he wants, a rich, mellow-tasting cigar.

Not to alleviate if we can all that needs alleviation.

W. A. McGowen Joe McGowen

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"The People That Want Your Business"

Staple and Fancy Groceries and Feed

Give us your next order. We can please you both in quality and price. Phone 330.

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Next Door South of McCamant Drug Co.

NOTICE!

The Big Stall Wagon Yard

Just east of Burton-Lingo. Come in and put your team up with me and you will be treated in a way that you will be sure to come back. I also handle flour and meal, buy and sell all kinds of feed stuff.

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LET ME FIGURE WITH YOU

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A \$100 scholarship to be given away. Greatest offer ever made by a Business College. Saves you from \$50 to \$100 on a complete course. Fall term opens Sept. 14.

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IT'S QUITE NATURAL to suspect those who claim too much virtue. Instead of describing the beauty of our PHOTOGRAPHS, we simply write you to come and judge for yourself. Examine the pictures we have made. They will tell you a story a perfected photography better than we can. And we respectfully suggest that others would say the same of your portrait if we took it.

WILLIS ART GALLERY

A nicely furnished room to rent to lady. Call at 606 Scurry street or phone 30.

W. W. Batterwhite, of Monahan, was here Monday.

Brookside Violet Talcum is the best—Reagan's.

First car of Michigan Salt ever shipped this far west just received at Pack Bros.

Local and Personal

R. E. Slaughter, of Soash, was here yesterday and sent off the papers for a post-office to be established there.

Ramer's Chocolates at Biles & Gentry.

Prof. J. C. King, principal of the Big Springs School, came over last Saturday with the foot ball team. He and Supt. A. D. Ellis are giving the people of Big Springs a splendid school.—Sweetwater Reporter.

We have just received a nice line of bibles. Biles & Gentry.

The Sweetwater Reporter, in its write-up of the foot ball game played there on the 13th, pays our boys the following compliment: "The visitors were a jolly, nice bunch of boys and their excellent deportment and gentlemanly conduct while in the city reflected great credit upon the town and school which they represent."

Mel Mobley, of Robert Lee, is here this week on a visit to his brother, E. M. Mobley.

For Racket Goods go to McGardy & Blalack's Racket Store.

Tom Cross, of Robert Lee, was here this week on a visit to relatives.

The Parker fountain pen has the greatest merit; at Reagans.

D. P. Strayhorn, of Snyder, spent several days here this week.

For Rent: Two nice office rooms. See R. L. McCamant. 5-tf

Rev. W. S. P. McCullough and family have gone to McGregor, where they will make their home.

A nice home on Schery street for sale on good terms. See W. A. Tunstill. 8-2t

Your prescriptions will be filled correctly and priced right if taken to Reagan's.

Go to McGardy & Blalack's Racket Store for cigars and tobacco.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones, of Westmoreland, Tennessee, came in Friday night and will locate here.

We have just received a nice line of Bishop's crystalized fruits. Biles & Gentry.

Go to The Gem City Furniture Co. for the Macy Sectional Book Case. Can get any style or finish.

Mrs. Can Powell left Friday night for Portales, N. M., on a ten days' visit to her daughter.

Money to loan on farms and ranches, \$1,000 to \$10,000 on long time. S. D. Bainbridge. 48-tf

Let us write your cotton insurance. The cost is small and the protection is great. Hartzog & Coffee.

Thanksgiving was observed here by the closing of the business houses and the shops. Union services held at the Methodist church were well attended and very interesting and instructive. At the close of the services a liberal offering was made, which will be used by the United Charities in its relief work.

The ladies of the Christian Church will hold a bazaar in Reagan's drug store on Dec 16, 17 and 18, and will have on sale lots of nice articles suitable for Christmas presents. Don't buy until you see their display. 8-3t

J. M. Morgan and son were in Midland Tuesday looking after some contracts he has there.

She Can Eat Pie Now.
A lady recently visited a friend in Keene, N. H., whose husband was very delicate, and yet she noticed that he could eat all the pie he wanted. She began to wonder how it was that he could do it, when she had to give up this delicacy because of disagreeable after effects. She writes as follows:
"I found it was because the pies were made with Cottolene; and as I am a great lover of pie, I began using Cottolene, and have never had a bit of indigestion in the house since that time. I now enjoy my pie, as it does not give heart-burn as formerly."
Cottolene makes crisp, flaky, "digestible" pie-crust, that tastes good, and does good—lard does you harm.

The Place to Buy

Hardware, Glass and Queensware, Wagons, Buggies, Plows, Windmills and water supply materials of all kinds is at our store. We can fit you up with any kind of galvanized sheet iron work from our own shop. :-: :-: :-:

The Western Windmill Co.

McGowen Brothers first door south of McCamant Drug Store.

J. E. McCarty and wife, of Lamesa, were shopping here Wednesday.

J. D. Cunningham, formerly of this town, is now located at Austin, Texas. Will practice in all the courts and appear for clients in any State Department. Land law a specialty. J. D. Cunningham, 1005 1-2 Congress Ave., Austin, Tex. 7-3t

Hon. David De Armond, of Missouri, one of the oldest Democratic members of congress, and his six year old grandson were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home at Butler, Mo., Tuesday morning.

When a cold becomes settled in the system, it will take several days' treatment to cure it, and the best remedy to use is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It will cure quicker than any other, and also leaves the system in a natural and healthy condition. Sold by all druggists.

Mrs. J. H. Hurt visited her daughter, Mrs. Thomas, at Midland this week.

Eugene Thompson, traveling salesman for the Southwestern Paper Company of Dallas, spent Sunday here with his brother-in-law, J. O. Gibson, our popular merchant tailor.

See Burton -Lingo Co.

M

For All Kinds of Building Material.

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All our lumber Is Under Sheds

A. J. Prichard
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW
AND NOTARY PUBLIC
Will practice in all Courts.
Room 2, Ward building. Come and see us. Big Springs, Tex.

Dr. E. A. Lang
DENTIST
Crown and Bridge Work a Specialty.
Office over Fisher Bros. Store. Office phone 358. Residence 241.

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Chili, Enchiladas, Chili and Eggs and Nice Tamales Every Day.

M. GONZALEZ Proprietor

The Good Herefords

Bulls in Service

Stretton 9404, son of Contractor 48076. Marchon 21st, 116244, son of (imp) Marchon 76035. My cows are of the best strains.

FRANK GOOD, Sparenberg, Tex.

Croup is most prevalent during the dry cold weather of the early winter months. Parents of young children should be prepared for it. All that is needed is a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Many mothers are never without it in their homes and it has never disappointed them. Sold by all druggists.

Ladies Do Not Smoke

But surely their gentlemen friends, brothers or husbands do.

The holidays are drawing near, and if you are in doubt as to a proper present do not forget that we have in stock

A Very Fine Line of PIPES

at prices to satisfy all pocketbooks. In fact, we have everything in the smokers' line.

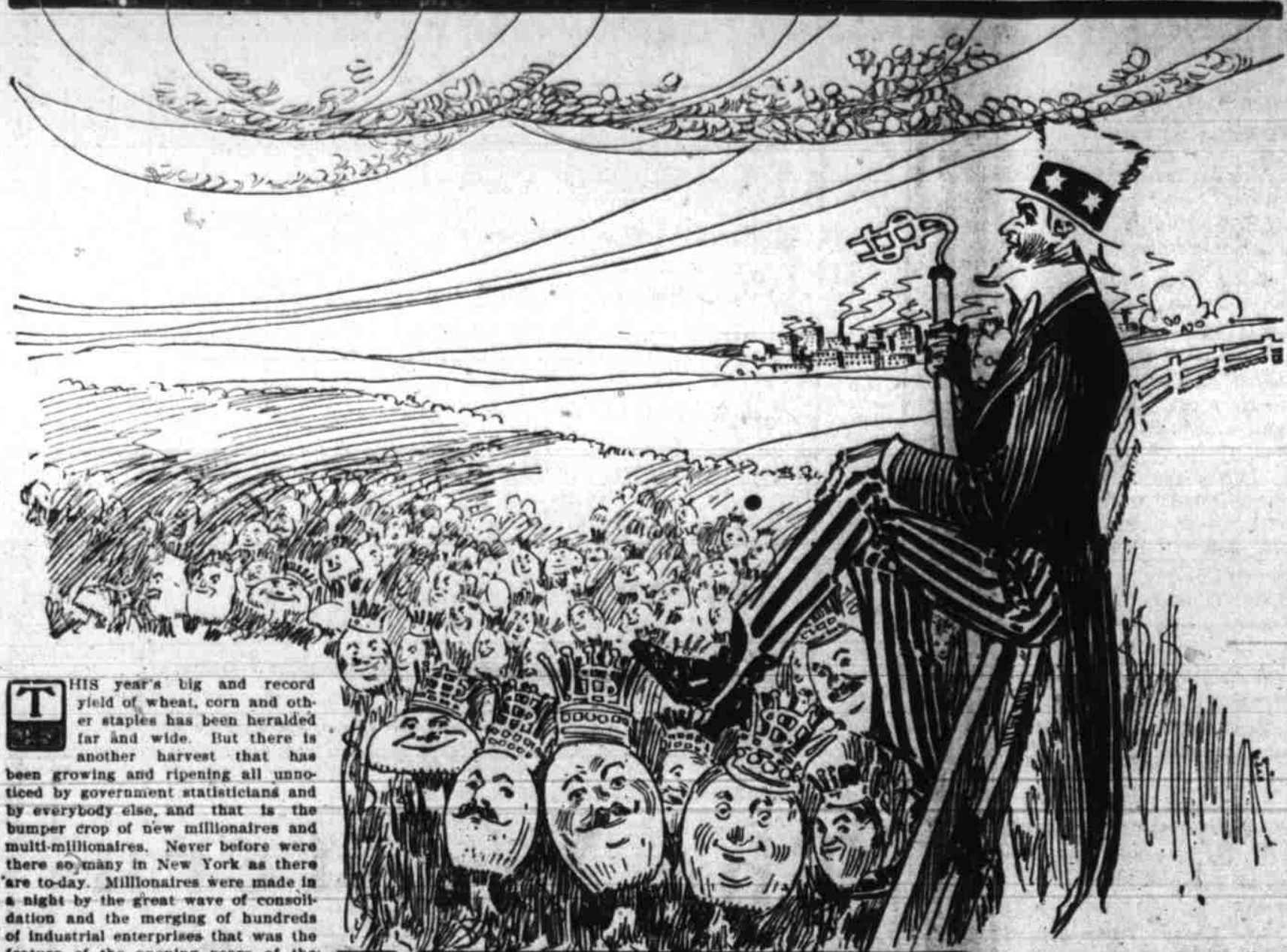
Biles & Gentry

Dr. E. H. Happel
DENTIST
Office over First National Bank. Big Springs, Texas.

Webb Christian is telling the following story on two of our best known farmers: One of them planted water melons near the line fence. When the vines began to grow they ran through the fence and quite a number of melons grew on the other side, so farmer number two gathered a wagon load and hauled them to town and sold them. Now farmer number one, the man that planted the seeds from which the melons grew, is talking about suing farmer number two. Now who was entitled to the melons, the man who planted the seeds and cultivated the vines, or the man on whose land the melons grew?

Money Kings Made in a Night

BUMPER CROP OF NEW MILLIONAIRES



THIS year's big and record yield of wheat, corn and other staples has been heralded far and wide. But there is another harvest that has been growing and ripening all unnoticed by government statisticians and by everybody else, and that is the bumper crop of new millionaires and multi-millionaires. Never before were there so many in New York as there are to-day. Millionaires were made in a night by the great wave of consolidation and the merging of hundreds of industrial enterprises that was the feature of the opening years of the twentieth century, just after the close of the Spanish-American war. There were steel kings, steamship kings, pump kings, kings of car springs and of air brakes and of all sorts of things. They blossomed forth between the sunset of one day and the dawn of the next. The select circle of plutocracy widened so swiftly that it broke all barriers and created a new aristocracy of wealth in America. New York was invaded by a horde of westerners whose manners in some cases shocked even the imperturbable servitors at the expensive hotels where they monopolized the royal suites. Pittsburg, from being simply a great mill town, a city of grimy workmen, jumped into world-wide prominence because it was discovered suddenly that it had more millionaires to the square inch than any other spot on earth. In New York all sorts of people achieved fortunes, paper or actual, almost before they were aware; jockeys, waiters, bartenders and other humble folk glanced with amazement at the balances with their brokers and began making plans for yachts and country houses. The history of this period was one of the wonders of America.

Then, two years ago, the panic came and put a dampener on the financial hopes and aspirations of those who had survived the various ills that followed in the wake of industrial over-expansion. But since the panic clouds have cleared away there has come another and even more wonderful appreciation in values, the most remarkable advance in the prices of all commodities and securities that this country has ever known. Probably more millionaires have been made in the last 12 months by the steadily rising tide of tremendous prosperity than history ever has recorded in a similar period of time. The number of those who have grown rich quickly is greater, probably than it was in the time of merger and consolidation, nearly a decade ago. Before the panic of 1907 there were, perhaps, 3,000 millionaires in New York. Now there are anywhere between 5,000 and 10,000.

The advances in the value of securities in the last two years have been almost incredible. There probably are more than 100,000 persons who are stockholders of United States Steel. In October, 1907, Steel Common was 21½; in February, 1909, it was 41¼; this October it has been well above 90. The shares of the Pennsylvania railroad are more widely distributed than any other transportation line, more than 60,000 people being listed on its books of shareholders. Two years ago it was 163; lately it has been above 150. Union Pacific is next to Pennsylvania in the length of its stockholders' list. It is not only one of the most popular investment securities, but also one that is speculated in most largely. Union Pacific common was 100 in 1907; this year it has been above 115, an increase of more than 100 per cent. New York Central, Southern Pacific, Baltimore & Ohio, Atlantic Coast Line, Illinois Central, Great Northern, Standard Oil—practically all the stocks in the long list of railways and industrials have advanced from 50 to 100 or more per cent. in value since October, 1907.

Thousands of people who are not speculators and who are intolerant of speculation have profited enormously by this wonderful rise in prices. They are the ones who bought for investment when the prices were low and who are now reaping the harvest. During the panic enormous blocks of gilt-edge shares were thrown on the markets when great speculators like Heinze and Morse, and some others who were not so spectacular or daring, had to sacrifice anything and everything for ready money. Their holdings now are scattered throughout the country and have been tucked away in tens of thousands of safes and strong boxes.

While some of the new millionaires come from the ranks of those who were bargain hunters in the days of panic, most of the new plutocrats are from the army of speculators.

There are so many of these new millionaires that it would be impossible to list them all indi-



vidually with any degree of accuracy. Comparatively few of the old band of millionaires have failed to add materially to their fortunes since the panic. There are some, it is true, who were more or less disabled in those days, and the period that preceded them who have not succeeded in winning back their lost money and prestige; some who were in the ill-fated trust companies, others of the insurance crowd, and so on. But those who held on and were able to weather the storms have been lifted up and now are richer than ever. Not only that, but a large number of new groups of great financial strength has been developed. There is the Hawley group, for instance, which has made millions and millions in the rise in values of railway shares. Edwin Hawley, the head of this coterie, was not a big Wall street figure until within the last year or so, but of late he has added immeasurably to his wealth and to his power as a transportation king.

Among those of his friends who have climbed into the chariot of the plutocrats is Frank A. Vanderlip, the president of the National City bank. He is reputed to have made more than a million out of Chesapeake & Ohio and Union Pacific. When he was assistant secretary of the treasury a few years ago Vanderlip was a man of very moderate means and lived in a modest little flat in Washington. After he came to New York his wealth increased somewhat, but only since the first of this year has he entered the millionaire class.

Another of the Hawley group who is one of the new crop of multi-millionaires is a banker named Scott, who piled up a small fortune, dollar by dollar, in Richmond, Va., and who has increased it many fold of late in Wall street. Still another of the same group is Robert Fleming. He was not a poor man when the rise in stocks began, but he is said to be a very rich one now. Then there is a new crop of Union Pacific millionaires, Southern Pacific millionaires, Wabash, Rock Island and many other groups of new millionaires who have become wealthy by the tremendous upturn of the shares they were interested in. Some of these men were millionaires before the beginning of this year; these have now moved up to the multi-millionaire class.

There are quite as many who have won fortunes in the field of industrial stocks, especially in United States Steel common. One of these—more than a millionaire when he began buying Steel—is Frank A. Munsey, the publisher. He is said to have started his Steel purchases two years ago, when the stock was around 75, and to have accumulated a total of 100,000 shares at very low prices. His winnings are estimated at more than \$5,000,000.

These instances, taken at random, give an indication of the thousands of fortunes that have

sprung up lately through the upward sweep of prices in Wall street. Great corporations, like the fire and the life insurance companies, have also profited stupendously. These tremendous reservoirs of money own huge blocks of shares in scores of railway and industrial companies—lots of from 10,000 shares to almost a controlling interest. The most of these are sober, gilt-edged, dividend-paying stocks that have not been spectacular in their advance in price as compared with some of those that have gone up like skyrocket. Yet even these high-priced shares have been enhanced in value from 20 to 50 per cent. in the last 12 months. They were bought at panic prices, so the published records of these companies show, and these institutions now are said to be selling them off, cautiously and carefully at the fancy figures that have been prevailing of late. Unlike the individual investor, they believe in cashing in their winnings and salting them down until there is another chance to buy cheap.

In the commodities there are new groups of millionaires and multi-millionaires also. Some of these have won their wealth in wheat, others in corn, but most of them in more new cotton—kings and princes to-day than ever before. Practically all of these are southerners, who have had an expert knowledge of this staple. Most of them have been cotton planters themselves on a large scale, and all their lives they have been studying cotton, its growth and its ever-widening markets.

Almost every day there have been rumors flying about as to what Patten was doing in cotton. But curiously enough there has been never a word said about the real bull leader in the cotton market, the man who has been the biggest speculator in this staple, and who recently has jumped into the multi-millionaire class. Eugene G. Scales of Dallas, Tex. Scales is the most towering bull, probably, that the cotton market ever has known. Patten is a piker beside him. Even the celebrated Mr. Sully in his palmyest days never operated on such a huge basis as Scales has been in the last eight months.

This new and mighty multi-millionaire in the cotton market has steadfastly kept himself in the background. He is no amateur speculator, however, for five years ago he was in one of the Sully campaigns and retired from the fight with several large dents in his financial armor. But now he has won back all his losses and a lot more.

Some among the many others who "know cotton" and have won big fortunes through its rise in price are Ferguson Reid of Norfolk, Va.; Morris H. Rothschild of Woodville, Miss.; William P. Brown of New Orleans and Louis S. Berg of Mississippi.

New Orleans not long ago and was a hard-working railroad man. A little later he pieced together a lot of small Mississippi railroads and combined them into an effective and profitable system. Then, with a modest fortune, he came to New York, and since then has been making money out of cotton.

And so the list runs on. Hardly a name among the thousands of new millionaires is familiar to New Yorkers. They are practically unknown outside of the small communities they came from in the west and south. They live in the costliest suites in the most expensive New York hotels. Next summer, if they have no setback they will begin leasing or buying palaces at Newport, Bar Harbor or other places where the socially elect are supposed to live. Then they will begin trying to break through the imaginary inclosure with which "society" surrounds itself. There are so many of these new millionaires that perhaps like the incursion of a new race they will overwhelm and conquer the relatively small group of people who have been priding themselves on having their wealth for a decade or more. At any rate, the names of most of these new millionaires probably will be read for the first time in print in the next year's books of social registry, which form the nearest approach to the directory of the poeuvre that the plutocracy of America knows.

Eating for Strength.

The greatest pleasure to be derived from eating is the pleasure one gets in the knowledge that his food is giving him greater strength and vitality.

Because of this fact there is a constant increase in the consumption of Quaker Scotch Oats; every time the strength making qualities of Quaker Scotch Oats have been tested by scientific investigation or by experiments in families it has been found to be a food without an equal.

It builds the muscles and brain without taxing the digestive organs; it costs so little anyone can afford it, and it is so carefully prepared and packed that it is absolutely pure and clean. A Quaker Scotch Oats eating family is always a healthy family.

Besides the regular size packages Quaker Scotch Oats can be bought in large size family packages and in hermetically sealed tins. 11

NO PLACE FOR A PAINTER.

Visitor—Does the painter Maier live here?
Landlady—No; they are all respectable people in this house.

GOING UP!

City ways were not altogether new to him, but, as he waited at the elevator shaft, in one of Omaha's large office buildings, he said to his companions:

"Well, I'll be hanged if that isn't a better."

"Why, what?"

"Just look at that confounded railroad advertising on an Omaha elevator—UP! What won't they do next?"

His companion replied, "Sh—, Sh—, those letters mean 'up.'"

When I see that word, this single always comes to my mind:

"Whenever the little word 'up' you see, Think of Safety, Speed, Service via U. P."

You will see that word at almost every passenger elevator in the country, but before you leave for the West, be sure to buy your ticket via "The Safe Road to Travel."

MISSY.

The neighbor's dog sits out on the front lawn and howls dimly. The man in the window looks out and yells: "Sh-h-h, you beast!" The dog continues to howl. The man again copes to the window and this time hurls a shoe at the dog. Still the animal howls. Another shoe follows. The next day the man's wife goes around in her stocking feet because she can't find her shoes. The man hasn't the price of another pair of shoes for her, and the next night the dog howls louder than ever.

ON TO THE POLE!

When word of the discovery of the north pole came to Chattanooga, a slightly deaf old lady remarked unctuously: "Well, now I always said them Cook tourists got about 'most everywhere. I ain't a bit surprised to hear that one of 'em's reached the top notch in the traveling line."—Lippincott.

OUTCLASSED.

Solomon mused.

"My decisions are pretty good," he cried, "but I can't claim to be a Christian judge."

Therefore he felt himself out of the running.

SHAKE INTO YOUR SHOES

Allen's Foot-Ease, the antiseptic powder. It makes tight or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired, aching feet. Always use it to break in new shoes. Sold by all Druggists. Etc. Trial package mailed Free. Address Allen S. Quinlan, LeRoy, New York.

IN THE COUNTRY.

Mrs. Knicker—What do you suppose it was that Katy did?
Mrs. Bocker—Left, of course.—Harper's Bazar.

FOR COLIC AND GRIP-CAPADINE.

The best remedy for Grip and Colic is Hicks' Capadine. Relieves the aching and over-tired. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—25¢ and 50¢ at Drug Stores.

When two women begin to talk over

hears a lot about their neighbors that he never even suspected.

DOCTOR YOURSELF

When you feel a cold coming on by taking a few doses of Perry Davis' Peppermint Cure, it is better than Quinine and safer. The large tin bottles are the best.

What has become of the old-fashioned boy who would rather stay home and work than go to school?

Don't drink liquor except medicinally. WRIGLEY'S SPEARMINT takes the smell off your breath.

He who has conferred a kindness should be silent, he who has received one should speak of it.

There are limitations, don't be fooled. There is no substitute. Tell the dealer you want Lewis' Single Binder sign.

To consider anything impossible that we cannot ourselves perform.

How Webster's Southern Spring relieves the aching and over-tired. Cures the cold—Headaches also. It's Liquid—Effects immediately—25¢ and 50¢ at Drug Stores.

A philosophical man when considering his own troubles isn't.

WANTS HER LETTER PUBLISHED

For Benefit of Women who Suffer from Female Ills

Minneapolis, Minn.—"I was a great sufferer from female troubles which caused a weakness and broken down condition of the system. I read so much of what Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound had done for other suffering women I felt sure it would help me, and I must say it did help me wonderfully. My pains all left me, I grew stronger, and within three months I was a perfectly well woman."

"I want this letter made public to show the benefit women may derive from Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound."—Mrs. JOHN G. MOLDAN, 2115 Second St., North, Minneapolis, Minn.

Thousands of unsolicited and genuine testimonials like the above prove the efficiency of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, which is made exclusively from roots and herbs.

Women who suffer from those distressing ills peculiar to their sex should not lose sight of these facts or doubt the ability of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound to restore their health.

If you want special advice write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass. She will treat your letter as strictly confidential. For 20 years she has been helping sick women in this way, free of charge. Don't hesitate—write at once.

WAS IN A TERRIBLE FIX

A Georgia Woman Tells How She Felt Like She Was Being Killed—Cardui Helped Her.

Pelham, Ga.—"I was in a terrible fix," writes Mrs. E. L. Bigham, of Pelham, Ga. "I was so weak I could hardly walk across the room. I had such pains in my sides and would swell up so I could hardly stand. I was irregular and could not do my work. My head ached all the time, so bad at times I felt like it would kill me. I also suffered with drawing pains in my legs and my back hurt and I was getting poorer every day, but Cardui got me up able to do my work and I feel better than I have for some time."

"I cannot praise Cardui strongly enough. I will recommend it to all my friends."

As a tonic, for weak women, we know of nothing equal to Cardui. It gives strength and ambition, brightens the eyes, clears the complexion, regulates the system and helps you back to a new youthfulness of looks and feeling.

Made from pure vegetable ingredients, it contains no powerful, mineral drugs, or deleterious compounds. Containing no glycerin, or similar material, it has no mawkish, disagreeable taste, and has no possible bad after-effect.

Absolutely harmless, it is good for young and old and should be in every family. Try it.

Your druggist sells it.

A Simple Cold

is a "serious" thing. Often, indeed, has the neglect of a seemingly trifling cold been followed by dangerous consequences.

It should be borne in mind perpetually that the COLD of today is the Consumption of tomorrow.

The management sold in the untiring authorship of these druggist's.

Pneumonia Pleurisy Bronchitis Consumption

They start with a more cold; stop it there.

SIMMONS' COUGH SYRUP

will do it.

Manufactured by the A. C. SIMMONS, ST. LOUIS, MO. Thomas, Tenn.

Murder!

One gets it by highway man—Tons of thousands by Red Death—No distinction. Consumption and death flow under the whole system sick—Every body knows it—CASCARETS regulate the bowels and liver troubles by simply doing nature's work until you get well—Millions use CASCARETS, Life Savers!

CASCARETS are a lot better for a cough than any other medicine, and they are in the world's largest drug store.

WILEY'S KIDNEY PILLS

THE ENTERPRISE

W. V. ERVIN, Editor.

Big Springs, Texas

Entered at the Big Springs, Texas, Post office as Second-Class Matter.

SUBSCRIPTION, \$1.50 A YEAR

Peanuts and hogs are paying crops and well suited to growing in West Texas.

Broom corn is well adapted to West Texas and is said to stand dry weather fine. The price is good, too.

The good roads movement is growing all over the country, and the people of all sections are taking a lively interest in it.

Every man who owns property in the city should plant a few trees. It makes a great deal of difference when it comes to the appearance of a place.

Tree planting time is here again and it is to be hoped that people of this country will keep busy in that profitable occupation, as nothing adds so much to the beauty of a home as nice trees.

The Big Springs country wants a good many more farmers, and as an inducement for them to come Big Springs offers them one of the best local markets for all kinds of produce that there is to be found in Texas. Come to Big Springs to live.

Some people value goods by the price they pay; others by the shop in which they buy; others by the effect the goods have upon their neighbors. It is only the common work-a-day sensi-

ble people who value goods by the goods. If you would have all four classes as your customers it is your business as an advertiser to make the cap fit.

Attorney General Davidson has announced for governor and outlined his platform in an open letter to the Democrats of Texas, and will resign the office of attorney general January 1, 1910. He holds that platform pledges are binding, favors submission of a prohibition amendment, but personally is opposed to statewide prohibition. Assistant Attorney General Jewel P. Lightfoot has been appointed to fill out the unexpired term.

The candidates for state offices are beginning to put their claims before the people, and as usual, the newspapers are receiving requests for free notices. A postal card reached this office this week containing the announcement of a candidate for comptroller, and contained a request that we publish and send him a copy. We are not running a paper for the free use of candidates and if any of them want to announce they must send cash with copy.

We often hear people say they can go home when they have no other place to go. This is sometimes said in fun but sometimes it is the truth. Just think about it. Don't like to be at home only when there is no place else to go.

That is a very serious statement when said in truth. The place where you were born and raised should be the dearest place in all the world to you. At home with your parents should be time

pleasantly spent, and you should be there instead of loafing when you are not at work. Sometimes it is the fault of the parents that the boy leaves home when yet young. This is the proposition for the parents to guard against. Don't think that your boy is an angel, and has a man's head on him, but think that he is just a common boy, like you once were. Like the lady who asked her neighbor over the back yard fence: "What is the matter with your bad little boy's head, that you have it bandaged up!" The other lady replied: "Your good little boy threw a stone and cut his head open."

Thanksgiving Foot Ball Game.

The second game of foot ball between the Sweetwater and Big Springs high school teams was played here yesterday afternoon and was won easily by the home team with a score of 47 to 0.

The visitors put up a lively game and did some good playing, but, they were outclassed from the start and were entirely too light for our boys. The team had been reinforced since the game at Sweetwater on the 13th by the addition of the Sweetwater High School Class in Astronomy (?), but it was no use and only made the home boys the more determined to win.

The visitors are a fine set of youngsters and by their gentlemanly conduct won the admiration of our people. They took their defeat good naturedly and said they had a most enjoyable visit to our town.

The Praetorian banquet has been postponed from November 30 to Tuesday, December 7th, out of courtesy to the Baptist church, who will have the Bancroft-Lewis entertainments on the 29th and 30th.

Get your fresh fish and oysters from McGardy & Blalack.

W. R. Purser will attend an all day singing in the Baptist church at Coahoma next Sunday.

Carload of Michigan Salt just arrived at Pool Bros. 9-11

W. R. Purser, J. M. Bates, J. A. McDaniels, W. A. McGowen, D. G. Thomas and J. I. Prichard attended the Howard County Singing Convention at Center Point Sunday. They report a large crowd and say the convention was the best since its organization.

R. C. Sanderson visited Colorado Tuesday.

Harry W. Carpenter, Grand Eminent Commander of the Masonic Fraternity of Texas, was here this week and inspected the local commandery.

John B. Littler returned Sunday from Fort Worth, where he had been several weeks under medical treatment. His many friends will be glad to learn that his health is very much improved.

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For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cts. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agent for the United States. Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

United Charities.

The United Charities held its second meeting at the Presbyterian church on Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, and were very much encouraged by the large attendance and the number of new names enrolled.

Brother Rogers made a very interesting and beneficial talk, which was very much enjoyed by all. Brother Thomas also made a very encouraging and interesting talk and offered some valuable suggestions.

It was decided that the society would have no regular dues, and a soliciting committee was appointed as follows:

- Mrs. Westerman, Chairman.
- " Hornburger.
- " Jim Tansitt.
- " Gilbert.
- " Rogers.
- " Frank Jones.
- " H. Morrison.
- " A. Gallimore.

A committee was also appointed to draft by-laws for the organization as follows:

- Mrs. J. I. McDowell, Chairman.
- " Notestine.
- " A. J. Eddins.
- " Rogers.
- " Kennon.
- " Reardon.

The society tendered a vote of thanks for liberal donations from Geo. H. Sparenberg and the Pythian Sisters; also to Mrs. Gilbert for the offer of a room to be used by the organization.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at the Y. M. C. A. Hall Wednesday, Dec. 1.

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One can never tell what minute such a thing may happen. The question naturally arises, "ARE YOU INSURED?" If not, do you think it would be wise to have us issue a policy at once? It is most decidedly penny wise and pound foolish to be without insurance when the danger of fire is always present, when ruin may come at any time. Call and see us at our

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While both engines and several cars were damaged no one was seriously hurt.

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Mrs. James E. Morris and children returned Friday from a visit to relatives at Hillsboro.

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Leonard McWhorter attended the formal opening ball and reception of Midland Club at the Midland Tuesday night and says it was a swell affair.

W. J. Ayers was in Lamesa Tuesday assisting in opening the branch house of Ayers & Hance Company.

Many school children suffer from constipation, which is often the cause of seeming stupidity at lessons. Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets are an ideal medicine to give a child, for they are mild and gentle in their effect, and will cure even chronic constipation. Sold by all druggists.

P. M. Watt, manager of the Western Telephone Co.'s exchange at Roscoe, was here Saturday.

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ONLY ONE MORE CHANCE

Decision of Court of Appeals, Sitting as Circuit Court, Involves Parent Organization of Standard Oil.

St. Paul, Minn., Nov. 22.—In an opinion written by Judge Walter H. Sanborn of St. Paul and concurred in by Judges Vandewater, Hook and Adams, with a special concurring opinion by Judge Hooks, the United States Circuit Court, Eastern District of Missouri, Saturday handed down an opinion declaring the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey an illegal combination, operating in restraint of trade, and ordering its dissolution. The opinion of the court was filed simultaneously in St. Louis and in St. Paul.

Excerpts from Judge's Opinion.
"Congress has power, under the commercial clause of the Constitution, to regulate and restrict the use in commerce, among the several States and with foreign Nations, of contracts, of the method of holding titles to property and of every other instrumentally employed in that commerce, so far as it may be necessary to do so in order to prevent the restraint thereof denounced by the anti-trust act of July 2, 1890, 26 Stat. 209."

"It is (the corporation's) necessary effect is to stifle, or, directly and substantially, to restrict free competition in commerce among the States or with foreign Nations, it is illegal within the meaning of that statute."
"The combination in a single corporation or person, by the exchange of stock and the power of many stockholders holding the same proportions, respectively, of the majority of the stock of each of the several corporations engaged in a commerce in the same articles among the States, or which foreign Nations, to restrict competition therein, renders the power thus vested in the former greater, more easily exercised, more durable and more effective than that previously held by the stockholders and it is illegal."
"The transaction constitutes a combination and conspiracy in restraint of and to monopolize commerce among the States and with foreign Nations in violation of Secs. 1 and 2 of the anti-trust act of July 2, 1890, and the Government is entitled to an injunction against the further continuance and operation thereof."

In this decision the Government of the United States wins a sweeping victory, and, according to Frank B. Kellogg of this city, who was the Government's special prosecuting officer, the Government has won every point for which it contended.

The case will be appealed to the United States Supreme Court direct as soon as the Judges' decree is in effect. These are the Judges of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, although they were sitting for the purpose of trying this case as the Circuit Court for the Eastern District of Missouri.

The decree of the court dissolving the Standard Oil Company becomes effective in thirty days, when, no doubt, a stay will be granted for the purpose of an appeal. When the decree takes effect, unless a stay is granted, an injunction will be issued restraining the Standard Oil Company from a further continuance of its business under its present formation.

It appears from the concurring opinion written by Judge Hook that the company can not do business under any other form with the object of stifling competition. For, says Judge Hook on this subject, it is thought that, with the end of the combination the monopoly will naturally disappear but should it not do so, and the members of the combination retire from it, except one, who might perpetuate the monopoly by the aggregation of the physical properties and instrumentalities, it would constitute a violation of the decree of the court.

In the trial of the case the point was made that the Standard Oil Company was a beneficial corporation in that, by reason of economy in operation it reduced the price of its product. This, Judge Hook says, can have no weight.

The Standard Oil's legal talent was led by John G. Milburn of New York its defense was that the present organization of the Standard Oil corporation was the result of natural growth of a great industry, and that no statute had been violated.

The suit terminated in Saturday's decision was begun by direction of the Attorney General of the United States in St. Louis, Nov. 15, 1908. Frank B. Kellogg of St. Paul was special prosecutor, assisted by Charles B. Morrison of Chicago, Frank H. Poole and J. H. Graves of the Department of Justice, W. H. Higgins of Minneapolis and Cordenio A. Beverance of St. Paul.

Jose Barela, aged 120 years, died in El Paso Friday. Up to Saturday he was actively engaged as a wagon driver.

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The story that Sir John Fisher of the British admiralty tells with the greatest enjoyment—and he tells many, and all with zest—is of an old boat-swain on his flagship who fell into a little money and retired. One day the admiral visited him at his country box, to find the old sailor possessed of an apparently useless man servant.

"What do you want with him?" asked Fisher.
"Every morning," explained the old sailor, "I come to me 'hammock and tells me to roll 'bout. 'The admiral wants to see you,' he says to me, 'and I says to 'im, 'Tell the admiral to go to 'ell,' says 'im.'"
"Would Be No Change."
During the presidential campaign the question of woman suffrage was much discussed among women pro and con and at an afternoon tea the conversation turned that way between the women guests.

"Are you a woman suffragist?" asked the one who was not interested.
"Indeed, I am not," replied the other most emphatically.
"Oh, that's too bad, but just supposing you were, whom would you support in the present campaign?"
"The same man I've always supported, of course," was the apt reply—"my husband."

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"Rain?" the native spat. "Rain? Why, say, partner, there's bullfrogs in this yere town over five years old that hain't learned to swim yet."—Everybody's Magazine.

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"Yes, it is," she answered, "and so was yesterday, and my name is Ella, and I know I'm a little peach, and have pretty blue eyes, and I've been here quite a while, and like the place, and I don't think I'm too nice a girl to be working in a hotel; if I did I'd quit my job; and my wages are satisfactory; and I don't know if there is a show or dance in town to-night, and if there is I shall not go with you, and I'm from the country, and I'm a respectable girl, and my brother is cook in this hotel, and he weighs 200 pounds, and last week he wiped up this dining room floor with a fresh \$56-a-month traveling man, who tried to make a date with me. Now, what'll you have?"

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"Now tell me," said the officer, "if there were to be war—which God forbid—between Russia and England, what part would you and your people take? Whom would you side with?"
"Do you wish me to tell you what would please you or to tell you the real truth?" was the naive reply.
"I adjure you to tell me what is the 'white word.'"
"Then," said the old graybeard, "we would just sit up here on our mountain tops watching you both fight, until we saw one or the other defeated. Then we would come down and loot the vanquished till the last mule! God is great! What a time that would be for us!"

Had an Object Lesson.
The happy mother of a seven-months-old baby, whose chief business seems to be making a noise in the world, was paying her sister a visit, and the other evening young Master Harry, aged seven years, was delegated to care for the baby while his elders were at dinner. So he wheeled it back and forth, the length of the library, giving vent to his sentiments by singing, much to the amusement of the family:

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Mrs. J. E. Pond, of Colorado, spent Thanksgiving here with her husband.

WANTED—Man with team and tools to put in farm eight miles east of Big Springs. See Gib Jackson at Burton-Lingo Co. 84t

Big Springs Commandery, Knights Templar, gave a banquet Wednesday night to the members, complimentary to C. L. Alderman, who was recently given the 33d degree, Scottish Rite, at Washington, D. C.

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Misses Blanche and Maud Barrack visited relatives at Colorado this week.

Mrs. Ed W. Smith and little son, of Colorado, visited her sister, Mrs. Ellis Douthit, of this place this week.

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J. W. Ward has gone to Indiana on a visit to relatives.

W. M. Pringle, of Kansas, is here on a visit to his son, Bert Pringle and family.

See The Gem City Furniture Co. for new line of matting; some good patterns and very best quality.

H. W. Lane and wife have returned from a trip north, which was taken for the benefit of Mrs. Lane's health. She is somewhat improved by the trip and it is hoped she will soon be well.

D. B. McClurken and wife left Monday night for their home in Denton, after a pleasant visit with Harry Abney and wife.

H. G. Jacobson, of Dane, Wisconsin, was here this week on a visit to Temp S. Currie.

A party of hunters headed by S. Walker left Monday on a hunting trip to the Nueces river.

Yesterday afternoon was the regular time for the Commercial Club to hold its meeting, but owing to it being a holiday the meeting was postponed until this afternoon.

Baptist Church.
 Sunday School 9:145 a. m.
 Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m.
 Sunbeams meet at 3 p. m.
 Jr. B. Y. P. U. meets at 3 p. m.
 Sr. B. Y. P. U. meets at 4 p. m.
 Preaching by the pastor at 7:30 p. m.

All services are held at the court house, and everybody is cordially invited to worship with us.
 WILSON C. ROGERS,
 Pastor.

Teachers' Institute
 The Teachers' Institute of Howard county is to be held at Moore school house on Saturday, December 4th. All teachers of the county are requested to attend. An interesting program has been prepared for the occasion.

Homer McNew, who was hurt in the foot ball game yesterday, is getting along nicely and his physician does not consider his hurt serious and thinks he will be all right in a few days.

To Trade for Stock
 Will trade 160 acres of land, nine miles northwest of town for cattle, mules or good mares. Inquire at this office.

American torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers are showing a capacity for speed that is not likely to be exceeded anywhere. The torpedo boat destroyer Flusser recently made something like 33 knots an hour, and now another new draft, the Reid, reports making 34.548 knots. These little "hornets of the sea" show they can fly swiftly as well as sting sharply.

The famous cedars of Lebanon also grow in India and Algeria, but their home is the Labanons of northern Syria. In ancient times the sides of the whole mountain were covered with them, but now they are found in only one small hollow on the northwestern slope. These are securely fenced in, but in spite of the great care of the gardener the 200 that now survive will soon die and the species will become extinct.

For sale or trade—440 acres of good land 4 miles south of town. Inquire at this office.

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 320 acres of land 10 miles south of town, 50 acres in cultivation well improved. Price \$10 per acre. For further information apply at this office.

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4-room house in Fairview Heights, lot 75x140, good storm house, underground cistern, out-houses, nice fruit and shade trees. Will be sold at bargain if taken at once.

320 acres in Martin county in shallow water district, will sell or trade for unincumbered residence property in Big Springs.

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