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The Panic is Over and We are Offering

# Big Reduction on Winter Goods

Until Feby. 1st we offer to the people of Baird and surrounding country **FOR CASH ONLY**, all our Winter Dry Goods, Clothing, Blankets, Boots and Bootees, all heavy Shoes, Jackets, Skirts, shawls, Caps, Etc. at reduced prices. In a few more weeks we will be off to market buying Spring Goods and they will be in on us before we realize it, and that is the reason we are going to cut these prices so deep we want the space and these goods must be sold out.

NOTICE PRICES QUOTED BELOW AND ASK FOR SPECIAL CASH PRICE ON OTHER GOODS

One lot of Men's Suits while they last at Half Price.  
All Mens Suits and Overcoats—except black—One-third off.  
One-third off on all Boys Suits and Overcoats.  
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One-fourth off on all winter Skirts and Underware.

Ladies, Misses and Childrens Jackets at Half Price.  
Big Reduction on all Bootees and Boots.  
One-fourth off on Ladies, Misses and Boys heavy Shoes.  
All Flannels, Outings, Woolen Dress Goods at big reduction in prices.

We want your trade for 1908 both in Dry Goods and Groceries and we want to buy your Butter, Chickens, Eggs and Produce.

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## **B. L. Boydston**

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## New Year's GREETING

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to the good people of the county for the Nice Trade they have given us during the past year and respectfully solicit a Continuance of the same.

We are an old and reliable Stand-By here in Baird and we are ready to treat you just as well as we have ever done.

We will make you close prices during the next 60 days and especially on Cash House Bills. We are prepared too, to extend proper credit to responsible parties and this is more than other towns are doing at this season.

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E. M. FAUST, Manager

BAIRD, Callahan Co., TEXAS

#### BURNT BRANCH NEWS.

Jany., 25.—The political pot is boiling. More announcements may be expected "from the forks of the creek." We have not commenced to fight yet. We have some good material and purpose to trot them out in the near future, and elect them to the office of their aspirations provided we can secure the wherewith to pay poll tax.

Was in your city sometime since and you shunned me, next time I will go direct to the office. You were as dry as a July wind and the lid was hermetically sealed, couldn't get a dollar nor a drink of—you know what. JUAN.

#### DEAD LETTER LIST.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the Post-office for the week ending Jan. 11, 1908. Parties calling for the same will please say advertised.

Miss Jennie Laudermilk.  
Mr. Jim Laudermilk.  
J. H. Ross.  
J. D. Robinson.

Letters remaining uncalled for for week ending Jany. 18, 1908:

P. B. Franks.  
A. W. Griffen.  
J. T. Robinson.  
Walter Trotter,  
Harmon Williams.  
J. V. McMANIS, P.M.

Get your pencil, Tablets, Ink, etc from Powell & Powell. 41-1f.

## CARD OF THANKS

**W**e wish to extend to our friends and customers both town and country, our sincere thanks for the very liberal patronage given us during the past season, and we hope to merit a continuation of your patronage during 1908. Come in and see us on East side of Market Street.

We wish you one and all a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

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### C. J. Simon, Memphis.

Very often young people, at an age when they should be in the prime of health, suffer from chronic constipation, and nothing seems to help them. It was so with Mr. C. J. Simon of Memphis, Tenn., until he took Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, and now he is permanently cured. It will also cure indigestion, heartburn, flatulency, sick headache, sour stomach, etc. It is absolutely guaranteed to do what is claimed, and if you want to try it before buying, send your address for a free sample bottle to Pepsin Syrup Co., 119 Caldwell Bldg., Monticello, Ill. It is sold by Powell & Powell at 50c and \$1 a bottle.

If you want fresh groceries go to Clement & Price. 45.

We have the largest and most complete line of post-cards in Baird. 35 Hammans & Bro.

A lot of new bracelets. See them Powell & Powell. 16-tf

See McGowen Bros. for groceries.

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is a stage, and Ballard's Snow Liniment plays a most prominent part. It has no superior for rheumatism, stiff joints, cuts, sprains, and all pains. Buy it, try it and you will always use it. Anybody who has used Ballard's Snow Liniment is a living proof of what it does. Buy a trial bottle. 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Powell & Powell.

Mesquite Posts—10 cts each at ranch. W. B. ELLIS, Dudley, Tex.,

McGowen Bros. sell everything in the grocery and feed line. 38

### Carrie Nation

certainly smashed a hole in the barrooms of Kansas, but Ballard's Horehound Syrup has smashed all records as a cure for coughs, Bronchitis, Influenza and all Pulmonary diseases. T. C. H—, Horton, Kan. writes: "I have never found a medicine that would cure a cough so quickly as Ballard's Horehound Syrup. I have used it for years." Sold by Powell & Powell.

We have some school books. They are cash Powell & Powell. 41

Get your pencil, Tablets, Ink, etc from Powell & Powell. 41-tf.

Don't forget school books are cash. Powell & Powell. 41

You want to eat, McGowen Bros. have what you want and in any quantity you want. 38

### Chicago Working Woman's Home.

A whole family can keep itself in health by the use of Dr. Caldwell's yrup Pepsin, because it is a laxative that works mildly and surely, and some member of the family is almost always in need of such a remedy. Dr. Luella Underhill, medical superintendent of the Working Woman's Home of Chicago, writes that she gives nothing but Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. It is absolutely guaranteed to do what is claimed for it, and if you want to try it before buying, send your address for a free sample bottle to Pepsin Syrup Co., 119 Caldwell Bldg., Monticello, Ill. It is sold by Powell & Powell at 50c and \$1.00 a bottle.

### Oxen For Sale.

For sale or trade six yoke of well trained work oxen, broke to plow. Also horses, mules, land, houses and lots in the town of Clyde for sale, trade or rent. See or write me for bargains. PERRY KLEPPER, 8-4 Clyde, Texas.

### Known By Other Names.

There are no set of diseases so mis-named as those that pertain to the stomach, liver and bowels. Many think their nerves are deranged, their heart diseased, their kidneys weak, their blood impure, when in reality they have stomach or bowel trouble. Try Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, the wonderful regulator, and see how quickly you will find yourself cured. It is absolutely guaranteed to do what is claimed, and if you want to try it before buying, send your address for a free sample bottle to Pepsin Syrup Co., Monticello, Ill. It is sold by Powell & Powell at 50c and \$1 a bottle.

### \$50.00 Reward.

We will give \$50.00 to anyone furnishing evidence that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons violating the Local Option Law.

T. A. IRVIN, Sheriff.  
W. R. ELY, Co. Atty.

Tablets, Pencils, Ink etc. Powell & Powell, 41-tf.

School tablets! Go to Hammans Bros. for them. 38

We have a nice line of books, stationery, etc. Hammans Bros.

Wall paper, paints oils, varnishes, etc. Powell & Powell. 41

### WHY?

should your baby suffer? When he is fretful and restless, don't experiment on him and use any old thing your neighbor recommends. Buy a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge greatest known worm medicine and cure for all children's diseases. It is mild in its action, builds up the system, makes the thin puny babies fat. Mrs. J. C. Smith, Tampa, Fla. writes: "My baby was thin and sickly, could not retain its food and cried all night. I used one bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge and in a few days baby was laughing and well." Sold by Powell & Powell.

### PAY UP.

All persons indebted to Ramsey & McCauley are requested to settle up. These accounts must be closed up. Books at H. H. Ramsey's office. 46

### Jack For Sale.

I have a black Spanish jack, 8 yrs. old, well marked. For sale cheap at my place 6 miles south of Eagle Cove. 7-4p J. M. FREEL, Eagle Cove, Tex.

When you want a good work glove see Hammans & Bro. 35

Most anything you need in merchandise in all lines can be found at Hammans & Bro. 35

All the new cloaks at Schwartz' Prices absolutely the lowest. 46

### Notice Tax Payers.

All tax-payers who have not paid tax for 1907 are earnestly requested to pay their taxes before February 1st and save cost and penalties. Remember, that in addition to the penalty for failure to pay taxes before February 1st, all persons subject to a poll tax will be barred one year from voting in all elections on and after Feb. 1st, unless poll tax is paid before Feb. 1st. Pay your taxes today. Don't wait.

Published by request of T. A. IRVIN, Sheriff and Tax Collector.

Go to McGowen Bros. for groceries

Old papers for sale at THE STAR office, 25 cents per hundred.

When you see Powell think o drugs. 16-tf

### Notice.

"Magnolia" and "Angel Food" flour, guaranteed best in town. Sold by CLEMENT & PRICE. 45

### SCHOOL ELECTION.

Be it remembered that at a meeting of the Board of Trustees of Baird Independent School District Officers and members being present to-wit: T. E. Powell, Pres., W. E. Gilliland, C. S. Boyles, Treas., C. H. Mahan, Frank Austin, W. M. Coffman, H. F. Foy, Sec., when the following proceedings were had by unanimous vote to-wit:

Be it ordered by the Board of Trustees of said Baird Independent School District that an election be held in the town of Baird, in the City Hall thereof in said District now on the 1st day of Feby. 1908 to determine if the Board of Trustees of said District shall have power to annually levy and collect a tax upon all taxable property in said District, for the support and maintenance of Public Free Schools in said Baird Independent School District of and at the rate of Twenty cents on the One Hundred Dollars valuation thereof. Such tax, if voted, to be levied and collected for the year 1907 and annually thereafter, unless it be discontinued as provided by law. F. S. Bell is hereby appointed manager of said election and he shall select the required number of Judges and Clerks to assist him in holding the same. None but property tax payers in said District whose names appear on the last assessment rolls, and who are qualified voters in the District shall vote at this election.

T. E. POWELL, Pres.  
5-4 H. F. FOY, Secy.  
Baird, Texas, Dec. 30, 1907.

New line of wall paper at Powell & Powell's 16-tf.

We have a beautiful assortment of counterpanes. Come and see them. Hammans Bros. 52-2

Go to Hammans Bros. for your school tablets. 38

### Notice Of Execution Sale.

State of Texas, County of Callahan In the District Court of Callahan County, Texas. Abe Blum, Plaintiff, vs A. B. Reeves, Defendant.

Whereas, by virtue of an execution and order of sale issued out of the District Court of Callahan County Texas, on a judgement rendered in said Court on the 12th day of Nov., A. D. 1907, in favor of the said Abe Blum and against the said A. B. Reeves, No. 919 on the docket of said Court, I did, on the 8th day of January, A. D. 1908, at 5 o'clock p. m. levy upon the following described tract and parcel of land situated in the County of Callahan, State of Texas, described in said execution and order of sale, and be longing to said A. B. Reeves, to-wit: a town lot in the town of Oplin, Callahan County, Texas, described by metes and bounds as follows: Beginning at a point 40 feet South of the Southwest corner of Block No. 4 in said town of Oplin; thence South 238 & 9-10 feet; thence East 241 feet; Thence North 238 & 9-10 feet; thence West 238 & 9-10 feet to the place of beginning: contain- 1 & 32-100 acres of land; being a part of survey 382, Abst No. 256, Original Grantee W. C. Jenks in Callahan County, Texas; and generally known as A. B. Reeves' lot in Oplin, Texas; and on the 4th day of February, A. D. 1908, being the first Tuesday of said month, between the hours of 10 o'clock A. M. and 4 o'clock P. M. or said day, at the court house door of said county, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction, for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said A. B. Reeves in and to said property.

Dated at Baird, Texas, this 8th day of January, A. D. 1908.  
T. A. IRVIN, Sheriff of Callahan County, Texas

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**NARRATED IN NOTES.**

Moscow, Russia, is to have a sky scraper.  
 Dallas public library has received 200 new books.  
 Many Oklahoma sawmills have resumed operations.  
 City of Mexico is to have a \$20,000, 000 bar iron plant.  
 Fire almost wiped out Kendrick and Rossville, in Lincoln county, Okla.  
 Methodist church and parsonage at Timpson, Tex., were destroyed by fire.  
 Joseph Trudeau of Boston shot himself, falling at his wife's feet. He soon died.  
 A Chicago barber shop was blown to atoms by dynamite. Nobody was hurt.  
 A business block at Bennettville, S. C., burned, entailing nearly \$200,000 loss.  
 The room of Andy Sheehan of Dallas was entered by a burglar and \$120 stolen.  
 New York state hop crop is 400,000, 000 pounds less than brewers' requirements.  
 A plot against the Portuguese government has been nipped in the bud at Lisbon.  
 Twenty-four dairy cows were found near Fort Worth to have tuberculosis and killed.  
 Director North wants congress to appropriate \$14,000,000 to take the 1910 census.  
 Joseph F. Ullman, the well known racing man, died at Amatytville, L. I., of paralysis.  
 In a house at Anna, Collin county, Texas, eighty-three pint bottles of beer were found.  
 A supposed mad dog came near biting three persons at Paris, Tex. He was shot to death.  
 Petitions for fifty-five miles of paving have been presented to the Chickasha, Okla., city council.  
 National Board of Trade, which met at Washington, favors tariff revision and postal savings banks.  
 By the explosion of a dynamite cap at Brownwood, Tex., the little son of A. A. Kelly was badly hurt.  
 Martin Howard, a youth, fell off his horse near Quanah, Tex., fracturing his skull. Death soon resulted.  
 Tugboat C. R. Watson sunk in Bayou Barataria, Louisiana. She struck a snag. One of her crew drowned.  
 The little son of William Spence was killed twenty-five miles from Texarkana by a tree falling on him.  
 While playing leap frog Roy McGofky, an Oklahoma City boy, fell and sustained injuries causing death.  
 Governor Folk of Missouri announces that he will be a candidate to succeed United States Senator Stone.  
 By 900 majority Satin county, Missouri, went dry. Sixty-five counties in that state have recently voted pro.  
 Professor J. H. Connell of Dallas has been chosen president of the Oklahoma agricultural and mechanical college.  
 Manager Muckenfuss of the Majestic theater at Dallas was convicted of giving Sunday performances and fined \$200.  
 The Texas Midland railway has notified the railroad commission that it is complying with the bookkeeping order.  
 Bob Smith was convicted at Dallas on charge of killing Alexander Brown, another negro, and given the death penalty.  
 Contracts have been let at Abilene, Tex., for the erection of two more cottages for the epileptic colony, to cost \$18,500.  
 Three white men charged with killing two negroes at San Augustine, Tex., have secured change of venue to Beaumont.  
 At Plano, Tex., M. L. Gee, seventy-two years old, and his wife, eighty, died four hours apart. Mr. Gee passed away first.  
 Ouida (Louise de la Ramée), the noted novelist, died near Florence, Italy, in abject poverty, aged seventy-eight years.  
 A bomb wrecked the front of an Italian bank at New York, exposing \$40,000 in silver and gold. The money was not stolen.  
 Owing to ill health, the visit of Herr Bebel, Socialist leader in the German reichstag, to America has been indefinitely postponed.  
 Edward Alexander McDowell, the noted American musical composer, died in a New York hospital from a nervous collapse.  
 Parties interested in the liquor business in Minnesota have formulated plans looking to the defeat of prohibition in that state.  
 While resisting arrest Orange Blakeley, a negro, was shot at Henderson, Tex., by Constable Standard. Blakeley died in six hours.  
 P. S. Richey, a prominent farmer of near Maryville, Mo., was found dying in his barnyard from the effects of carbolic acid. He expired in agony.  
 Fourteen bandits, by holding lighted matches to the body of Mrs. G. Cortez at a town near Oaxaca, Mex., forced her to reveal the hiding place of \$3,400.  
 At Brownwood, Tex., Mrs. S. M. Black jumped into a cistern and saved her little child. The latter was barely alive when taken out, but finally recovered.  
 Colonel E. A. Shorter, a Eufaula, Ala., banker, died at Stafford Springs, Miss., where he went for his health.

**AND THEN, HE'S A PRO.**

The Baird Star recently indulged in some strictures upon the Hon. B. F. Looney, candidate for Attorney General, stating that he was one of the senators who in the last legislature, sought to slap the newspapers in the face by taking from them the right of contract, because forsooth the papers had educated the people up to the point of prohibiting their public officials from riding on free passes. The writer called his attention to this injustice to Senator Looney once before, and the editor promised to look the matter up and make the amend honorable, but so far it hasn't been done. We again call attention to it, hoping that justice will be done even if he is a Bailey man—Taylor County News.  
 Then there's other reasons for The Star's enmity. It is known that a man's views on prohibition has much to do with the love that paper bears him. Looney is a pro, it is said. This being true, no matter were he Bailey or anti-Bailey The Star would oppose him—Clyde Sun.  
 The Sun seems to have another attack of "bellyachus acutus" on the prohibition question. Don't measure other people's corn in your own half bushel measure is a true old saying; the inference being that you are liable to give short measure. THE STAR never in its existence supported or opposed a man because of his belief on prohibition; can The Sun say as much? The editor of THE STAR never supported or opposed any man for office because of his belief on prohibition; can The Sun say as much? Only a few days ago the editor of THE STAR recommended an old friend, a prominent lawyer, who is a pro, to fill the place made vacant by the death of the lamented old one armed Confederate, Judge John N. Henderson, known as anti while he lived. We knew the man whom we recommended was a pro, but we have known him for thirty years or more as an honest upright gentleman and one of the ablest lawyers in Texas. We believed he would decide all cases coming before him fairly and honestly without any reference or bias as to his views on the prohibition question. So believing we unhesitatingly and heartily recommended him. Would The Sun have done as much for an anti? Judging by his past utterances in endorsing the plan to make prohibition an issue in the county primary, he would not have done so. Better pluck a few logs out of your own optics before you undertake to criticise your neighbors.  
 As to Senator Looney, we do not know, neither do we care whether he is a pro or an anti. THE STAR is for Davidson; who has done more effective work in prosecuting the trusts than any other officials in Texas. As to the strictures passed upon Senator Looney referred to by the Taylor County News, he was only mentioned incidentally with others. Senator S. P. Skinner for one, who is known as an anti. So no one with a thimble full of brains, whose mind is not poisoned by a bad case of prohibition phobia could justly accuse THE STAR of opposing Looney because he was a pro. As a matter of fact, we do not know, as we said, that he is a prohibitionist. We have always heard that he was a democrat, but as to what he believes about local option, state and national prohibition, we do not know neither does The Sun, as it says, "it is said he is a pro," evidently not knowing of its own knowledge that he is, but in order to make a point against THE STAR starts out by saying that he is a pro, hence that is the real reason THE STAR opposes him. THE STAR never hesitates to give reasons for its opinions and you need not worry yourself about what actuates the editor of THE STAR in forming his conclusions. The editor of THE STAR does not have to wait for some politician to speak out and give him cue about what to do before expressing its sentiments about public men or public questions. If THE STAR really opposes Looney because he is a pro, what kick has The Sun coming because it has already said, "all things being equal it is for a pro for office." If that is correct THE STAR has an equal, unquestionable right to apply the rule also, but no one can truthfully say that THE STAR or its editor has ever done so.

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New Orleans has a bartender named Holyland.

Rising Star will bore for oil so so says the X Ray.

The Democratic mule seems hitched to the Bryan cart for keeps.

Senator Bailey and other democrats in Congress seem afraid of the Aldrich currency bill, and well they may.

THE STAR agrees with Senator Bailey when he says that the government should issue all money without the intervention of the banks. That is good old fashioned Democracy that times or conditions can never change.

If the banks can form some plan of guaranteeing deposits without involving the state or national government few people would object. But there is no good reason why the government, state or national, should guarantee bank deposits that we can see. The less government interference with business the better—that was the old Democratic theory and is as good today as it was in Jefferson and Jackson's day.

The pros have launched out on a "nonpartisan" state wide prohibition campaign. "Nonpartisan" is good but a misnomer. There is more politics to the square inch in prohibition than any question ever raised except the slavery question. These are the only two questions, slavery and prohibition, that has been successfully worked into the churches. The slavery question caused a split in nearly church in the United States, and some of them have not got back together yet. The prohibition question has not so far caused a split in any church, but has caused no end of friction, as all political questions will when lugged into the church, and that prohibition is a political question no one now can successfully deny.

Many years ago it was not uncommon to hear a church member say that he did not believe any other church had any religion, or a partisan say that all other political parties were immoral or corrupt except his little party, but it is rare you hear such things in this enlightened age, and when you do hear such remarks if you will notice the one that makes them you will see that he is so narrow between the eyes that you can punch both eyes out with your thumb at one lick. Tribe of narrow minds in religion and politics is growing beautifully less as the years roll by. People only treat with silent contempt or pity the man who loudly proclaims that his little hide bound religious or political organization contains all the religion and morals of the country.

**Dallas News.**

We sent off six subscribers in one day for the Dallas Semi-Weekly News this week and received two more same day. Some abuse the News, but the people read it just the same. When it comes to circulation the Galveston-Dallas News has every paper in Texas skinned a mile—this is certainly the case in this part of Texas.

**NOT ENEMY OF PRESS.**

GREENVILLE, TEX., Jan. 16, 1908.  
THE BAIRD STAR: My attention has been called the fact that THE STAR and probably other papers in the State have criticized me on the assumption that I voted to prohibit newspapers from accepting mileage or transportation over railways as pay for legitimate advertising.

I am confident THE STAR and other papers that have thus criticised me have done so in good faith, believing that my position was as stated above. I am at a loss to know why my position on this question should have been so egregiously misrepresented and I thought I would give you the facts in order that I may be set right with the newspaper fraternity.

I introduced the anti-free pass bill as shown at page 8 of the Senate Journal, and there was no provision in it prohibiting publishers of newspapers from accepting transportation for legitimate advertising contracts. The bill was referred to judiciary committee No. 2, of which I was chairman, and on being considered by the committee an amendment was adopted that did prohibit this right of contract. I opposed the amendment in the committee and gave notice that I would on the floor of the Senate offer an amendment striking out the committee amendment and substituting in lieu thereof a provision clearly announcing the right of publishers of newspapers to make these legitimate advertising contracts.

When the bill came up in the Senate the first amendment that was offered to it was one by me and I now quote from the Senate Journal:

"Senator Looney offered the following amendment: Amend the bill as reported by the committee by striking out in its entirety the committee amendment, page 7, and insert in lieu thereof at the end of Sec. 1 as follows: "And provided further that nothing in this act shall prohibit any such company, receiver or lessee thereof as contemplated herein from paying for legitimate advertising contracts with mileage or transportation subject to the prohibiting discrimination." Senate Journal 30th. Legislature, page 217.)

On the motion that was made to table this amendment the vote stood 24 yeas and 4 nays, I being one of the four who voted against tabling the amendment.

The editors of our newspapers are just men and will not be guilty of misrepresentation when they have the facts, and I have furnished you the facts.

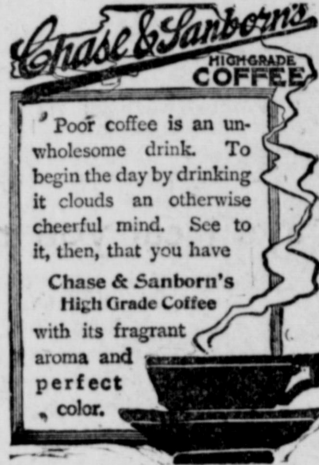
Yours truly,  
B. F. LOONEY.

NOTE:—Referring to above sometime in December THE STAR made some comments about those who advocated this clause in the anti-pass bill, who were candidates for office. Among the number mentioned we said we "believed" Senator Looney was among those who favored this clause in the bill. The article was republished by quite a number of papers. Some of Senator Looney's friends, however, merely referred to the article without quoting and really made more ado about it than the facts warranted. While the reference to Senator Looney did not occupy more than two lines we publish his letter in full and ask as a favor those who published the article to make correction. We had no intention of misrepresenting Senator Looney. The fact that he was the author of the free-pass bill caused us to believe he favored the newspaper clause, which his letter shows he did not, but opposed it, and we are glad to put him right before the press and the people.—[EDITOR STAR.]

**Church Tea.**

The ladies of the Baptist Church will give a tea at the home of W. D. Boydston Friday from 3 o'clock to 11 o'clock p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to all. A fee 15c will be charged, the proceeds to go to help seat the church.

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Buy your supply of Groceries and Feed from us. We handle only the very best of everything and buy our goods in car load lots and that's the reason that we can save you money on your bill. We will please you in every way, if we don't tell us, if we do tell your neighbors.

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**ANNOUNCEMENTS.**

NOTE:—Announcement fees for all District and County offices \$10.00 payable in advance.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates for office subject to the Democratic primary:

FOR DISTRICT JUDGE.  
42d District composed of the counties of Callahan, Eastland, Stephens, Shackelford and Taylor:

- THOMAS L. BLANTON,  
of Albany.
- J. T. HAMMONS,  
of Eastland.
- D. G. HILL,  
Of Abilene.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

For County Judge.

C. D. (Clarence) RUSSELL.  
W. R. ELY.

For Sheriff & Tax Collector.

T. A. (Al) IRVIN.

For Tax Assessor.

T. J. NORRELL.  
R. F. (Frank) BENNETT.

For County & District Clerk.

GEO. B. SCOTT.  
J. H. (Joe) SHACKELFORD.

For County Treasurer.

W. E. (Eugene) MELTON.  
W. C. (Charley) CONNOR.

For County Attorney

R. L. ALEXANDER

For Public Weigher Baird District

J. R. PRICE

For Commissioner Pre. No. 2.

PHILLIP YOST.

CITY OFFICERS.

For City Marshal

J. H. HARRIS  
C. W. MILLER.  
J. M. AYCOCK.

J. B. STOKES President HENRY JAMES V. P. B. L. RUSSELL Cashier  
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Capital Stock \$50,000.00

If we are strangers to you, call and let us get acquainted. We want your business, and will put forth our best efforts to get and retain it. Careful attention given to the business of our patrons.

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We want good tenants on the shares for farms suitable in size located at Vigo.  
Will also sell in any quantity from 40 to 160 acre tracts on long time and easy payments. House furnished with each farm rented. Call on, or write

### Chautauqua Townsite Co.,

At Hotel Seay, Baird, Texas.

### FURNITURE

Matting, Bed room Suits, Mattresses and Everything in House Furnishing line. Picture Frames made to order. All kinds of Repair work.

LEADER COOK STOVE, Wood and Coal Heaters, New Royal Sewing Machines, Reasonable Prices

### HALSTED BROS.

# Fair Dealings

Will always be accorded our friends and customers and we will always be glad to have you call and see us when in need of anything in the Grocery or Feed line. We appreciate your trade and will always treat you right and give you value received for every dollar that you spend with us. Phone us your next order.

## J. C. JONES

The Grocer  
Phone 231  
Baird, Tex

### It's Financial Strength

Your attention is directed to the names of the following well known business men, who comprise our Board of Directors

T. E. Powell      S. L. Driskill  
H. W. Ross      Fred L. Alvord      A. G. Webb  
Harry Meyer      Fred Lane

In addition to the above, we have a strong body of stockholders, all home people who you know, whose standing and responsibility give increased strength to the institution.

**THE HOME NATIONAL BANK**  
Baird, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Edwards, of Oplin, were in town the first of the week.

Luke Cathey, of Putnam, spent the day in town Saturday.

Mrs. C. Percy of Texarkana visited Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Percy last week.

J. O. Hall, of Vineta, I. T., came down the first of the week and went out to his ranch on the Bayou. Mr. Hall was accompanied by Judge and Mrs. Parker, who will spend sometime on the ranch for the benefit of Judge Parker's health.

Lee McCammon, of Clyde, spent Tuesday in town. There is talk that Lee will enter the race for sheriff and he says he may come in later, but is not decided just yet, but from his talk we infer that he has about decided to make the race.

J. H. (Joe) Shackelford of Putnam announces this week as a candidate for County and District Clerk. Joe was raised in the county and is one of the best known young men in the county. He is honest, upright and capable and should the people honor him with the position to which he aspires he will make a capable and efficient clerk.

C. W. (Charley) Connor of Putnam announces this week as a candidate for County Treasurer. Charley Connor has lived in the county about 18 years, has worked for different firms in the mercantile business and has always discharged his duties faithfully and efficiently. At present is working for the Putnam Dry Goods Co. Charley is well qualified, honest and upright and will discharge the duties of the Treasurers office as faithfully and efficiently as any one in the county.

A. L. Biggerstaff and J. M. Cunningham of Putnam came up last night.

#### DO IT NOW.

We are making a special sale, for cash only, of our Red Hodge fence, 3, 4, and 5, ft. at the remarkably low price of \$4.50, \$5.00 and \$6.00 per 100 lineal feet. We will sell at these prices for the next thirty days, Feb. 25th. MILLER CHUMNEY. 8-3

#### P. Y. P. U.

FEBRUARY 2, 1908.

Subject:—Devotional Meeting—  
"Meeting the Messengers of God"—  
Gen, 18: 1-21

- I. Opening Exercises by President
- Meeting led by Frenchie Emmons
- II. Reading, - - Lillian Fraser
- III. Prayer, - - - by Pastor
- IV. The Lord's Secret to Absolum, M. W. Uzzell
- V. Song, - - - - -
- VI. Proper Entertaining in the Home, - - - Mrs. Ida Cooke
- VII. Hospitality, - - Louie Surlis
- VIII. The Story of the Schunamite Woman, - - - - Dee Davis
- IX. The Blessing, Miss Bell Austin
- X. Roll Call - and - Responses
- XI. Minutes - - - - -
- XII. Dismissal, - - - - -

Everyone Invited.

Miss Ruby Schwartz is visiting her uncle Phil Schwartz and family at Dallas.

#### FOR SALE.

East half of the McManis Ranch on Pecan Bayou. About 400 acres, 100 acres tillable land, 25 acres in cultivation. Plenty of water, good pecan timber and good three room house. Can fix to irrigate at small expense. Price \$10 per acre. 52  
McMANIS BROS.

#### Entertained.

Miss Ada Cooke, Mrs. H. O. Powell and Mrs. Hilswick entertained the Wednesday Club with an open meeting at Miss Cooke's last Tuesday evening. Many interesting games of progressive "42" were played after which dainty refreshments were served. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Powell, Mr and Mrs. Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. Hilswick, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Powell, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. Schatz, Mr. and Mrs. Bell, Mr. and Mrs. E. Cooke, Judge and Mrs. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Sargent, Mrs. Fraser, Mrs. Miller, Misses Cooke, Thompson, Collier, Teeple, Powell, Messrs W. Fraser, Settle, Davis, Boyd, Boydston.

#### CLUBBING RATES.

THE STAR and Dallas News one year, \$1.75.  
THE STAR and Houston Post one year, \$1.75.  
THE STAR and Fort Worth Record one year, \$1.75.

#### PERSONAL

W. B. Ferguson, of Eula, made THE STAR a pleasant call Saturday.

W. C. Adams, of Cross Plains, is a new subscriber to THE STAR and Dallas News.

J. F. Barton, of Tecumseh, was in town Saturday. He is the same old Jim of the long ago.

Albert Betcher, of Oplin, was in town Friday and renewed his subscription to THE STAR and Dallas News.

W. T. Clifton, of Cottonwood, was in town Friday and renewed his subscription. Thanks.

R. M. Brummett, of Scranton came in Saturday and paid all arrearage and a year ahead on THE STAR.

#### NOTICE.

All parties not on meters are notified that they will be charged \$1.50 per light for all lights left burning all night, unless other arrangements have been made. FARMERS & MER., GIN AND LIGHT CO. 8

W. O. Peavy, of Cottonwood, was in town Friday. Meeting the editor he said, "Here is a dollar, send me THE STAR. I have been living in the County for 25 years and have been thinking every year that I would take THE STAR but neglected it. Send it on till I order it stopped."

Mrs. D. L. Middleton, formerly of Abilene, now living at Oktaha, Okla. spent two days in town this week visiting relatives. Mrs. Middleton says they are all well pleased with their new home. She left yesterday for Ft. Worth, where she will spend a few days with relatives before returning home.

### POWELL & POWELL DRUGGISTS

Thank their many friends of Baird and Callahan County for their liberal patronage the past year and we hope for a continuance of the same during 1908. Wishing all a prosperous year. We are Your Friends

**Powell & Powell, Druggists.**

## TAKEN FROM HIS HOTEL.

**Fifty Night Riders Escort John Heath to River.**

## THREATS TO THROW HIM IN

**To Avoid Being Ducked in the Chilly Stream, and Arrayed Only in Night Shirt, Promise Was Exact to Sell No More Tobacco.**

Dawson Springs, Ky., Jan. 25.—A band of fifty masked night riders took possession of the Arcadia hotel here and after terrifying the guests by "shooting up" the place took John Heath, an independent tobacco buyer, who was a guest, to the river, and on threats of "ducking" made him promise not to sell any more tobacco. The riders first tried to force the night clerk to show them Mr. Heath's room, but this he declined to do. The men then scattered to all parts of the hotel, shooting as they went. The guests, terrified by the firing, rushed from their rooms into the halls, only to be frightened back.

Mr. Heath was recognized by the night riders as soon as he appeared. He was quickly seized, and although dressed only in his night shirt, was put on a horse and taken to the river, about a mile away, where after threats of being whipped and thrown into the river were made, he was forced to promise he would not sell any more tobacco. He finally found his way back to the hotel and the masked riders disappeared.

## BROTHERS SHOT AT.

**With Aid of Neighbors Evermans Routed Their Assailants.**

Owingsville, Ky., Jan. 23.—Thomas and Munford Everman, brothers, who were attempting to deliver tobacco to a Mount Sterling dealer after having received a warning not to do so, were met on the road and as they were escorting five wagonloads of the staple by a body of armed men, who began firing. The Evermans and neighbors, who accompanied them, returned the fire. After an exchange of about 100 shots they routed their assailants. Nobody was killed, but a pool of blood was found in the road, apparently indicating one or more of the attacking party had been wounded.

## Severely Whipped.

Hopkinsville, Ky., Jan. 27.—E. H. of the Era community, this county, was visited by a band of seventy-five night riders. He was called from his house and severely whipped with buggy whips. Mr. Rodgers is a member of the "Association," but is alleged to have sold his tobacco outside of the organization. He had received, it is said, a warning not to do so, the warning being coupled with a threat. Several shots were fired into his house, and all telephone wires were cut.

## LOSS CONSIDERABLE.

**Shriners and Party Out About Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars.**

Waco, Jan. 25.—It is estimated that the loss by individual Shriners in the burning of the baggage car near here, containing their effects in the way of clothing, jewelry, curios, etc., will reach \$25,000. One lady lost a cloak worth \$500, and scores of highly expensive outfits burned in the dozens of trunks.

## FISHER'S FOOT FRACTURED.

**Chief Justice of Third Court of Civil Appeals Has Mishap.**

Austin, Jan. 27.—Judge Hal C. Fisher, chief justice of the third court of civil appeals, is confined to his home as a result of a painful accident. He was descending the steps in leaving his residence and his foot turned and he suffered a broken ligament in the member. It has been necessary to set it in a plaster cast, but the judge will soon return to the consultation room at the capitol. The other members of the court have been using the judge's bed chamber as their consultation room recently, and the work of the court has been uninterrupted, all three judges participating.

## YOUNG LADY'S RASH ACT.

**Ends Her Existence by Firing a Bullet in Her Head.**

Denison, Tex., Jan. 27.—Miss Anna Benjamin, beautiful and highly educated, aged about twenty years, committed suicide. She fired a pistol bullet into her temple. About five years ago a brother committed suicide under similar circumstances. The lady belongs to a leading family. The cause assigned is said to have been delicate health.

**Rockefeller Attends Negro Church.**

Augusta, Ga., Jan. 27.—John D. Rockefeller occupied his first Sunday morning in Augusta this winter in listening to a sermon in the Tabernacle Baptist church (negro) by Rev. C. T. Walker. Walker got out of a sick bed to preach when informed that Mr. Rockefeller would be one of his

congregation. After the sermon Rockefeller held a conference with Walker in the latter's study, when he "made a very generous donation to the church."

## Falls to His Death.

Dallas, Jan. 28.—Andrew Ehrhardt fell off a Texas and Pacific railway trestle just west of here over the Trinity river and was killed. He was a resident of this city and a cabinet-maker. On his body was found \$13.15.

## Mrs. Webster Appointed.

San Antonio, Jan. 28.—Mrs. Ogden Webster has been appointed assistant postmaster.

## ANIMAL ATTACKS ALFONSO

**Spanish Monarch Narrowly Escapes Wild Boar.**

Madrid, Jan. 24.—King Alfonso had a narrow escape from death while hunting. A wild boar unexpectedly appeared and rushed at the king, who shot the animal. The king then dropped his gun and walked up to the boar, supposing that he had killed the ani-



**KING ALFONSO XIII. OF SPAIN.**

mal, but it suddenly bounded up and flew furiously at him. He was saved only by a prompt shot fired by one of the party into maddened boar's head. King Alfonso was unhurt.

## NOT FROM "ARKANSAW."

**Oklahoma Congressman Quickly Set Presiding Officer Right.**

Washington, Jan. 24.—During the debate on the urgent deficiency appropriation bill in the house Thursday Mr. Fulton of Oklahoma spoke for half an hour on the progress of his state, which he said already outclassed many of the older states, and made an earnest plea for appropriations for Federal buildings. When he arose to speak the chair referred to him as the "gentleman from Arkansas." Mr. Fulton quickly corrected him, saying: "I have been accused of many ugly things, but never before have I been accused of coming from Arkansas." This utterance aroused the ire of Mr. Robinson of Arkansas, who sprang to the defense of his state. It was the first time, he declared, that he had heard uttered the floor of the house a sentiment that would intentionally belittle any state in the Union.

Mr. Fulton disavowed any intention to injure any one's feelings or to slander the state of Arkansas. He uttered the remark, he said, in the utmost good humor, and regretted the construction which had been placed upon it.

Immediately after making this statement he crossed over to where Mr. Robinson was seated, placed one arm on his shoulder and grasped his hand with the other. The act was applauded and the incident was closed.

## TWO PARADES.

**Veterans Will Have One, Sponsors, Maids, Etc., in Second.**

Birmingham, Jan. 24.—Adjutant General Mickle of the United States Confederate Veterans has notified the arrangements committee for the annual reunion to be held here June 9, 10 and 11, that two parades will be given. In one parade are to be no persons except actual veterans. In the other will be the sponsors, maids and national guards and all others. This is an innovation which it is believed will make the parade less trying on the veterans.

## CUTS HIS OWN THROAT.

**Hero Who Had Saved Many Lives Terminates His Own.**

New Haven, Conn., Jan. 23.—Nils Nielson, the light tender at the lighthouse on Haven Breakwater, committed suicide by cutting his throat. He tried to kill himself twice before, but was prevented by his assistant. He had a reputation as a hero of having saved a number of lives by daring rescues during storms in Long Island sound. Two years ago he received a medal from congress for heroism. It is thought the lonely life of the lighthouse keeper unbalanced his mind.

## FRIGHTFUL DEED.

**Youth Blows Off Head of His Sister With a Gun.**

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 27.—Bert

Phenes, seventeen years of age, living near Corning, blew off the head of his sister, Frances, with a gun. A child's bank was found on the floor and some con scattered about. The lad, who has been locked up pending an investigation, says the shooting was accidental.

## Bank Clearings.

New York, Jan. 27.—Bradstreet's bank clearings report for the week ending Jan. 23 shows an aggregate of \$2,718,786,000, as against \$2,728,434,000 last week, and \$3,376,955,000 in the corresponding week last year. Canadian clearings for the week total \$75,495,000, as against \$75,863,000 last week, and \$75,769,000 in the same week last year.

## Wealthy Man No More.

Fairmount, Va., Jan. 27.—Charles E. Conway, forty-five years of age, founder of the Buckhannon and Northern and Fairmont and Southern railroad companies and one of the largest independent coal operators in West Virginia, died of appendicitis. He was one of the wealthiest men in the state.

## Half Cent Less.

Paris, Jan. 24.—Bank of France has reduced discount rate from 3½ to 3 per cent.

## NOTED DIVINE DIES.

**Rev. James A. Duncan Departs This Life at Temple.**

Temple, Tex., Jan. 27.—At his residence in this city Rev. James A. Duncan departed this life after a brief illness.

Born in Scotland in 1821, he came to the United States in 1848, settling at New Orleans. He went to Canada in 1853, but returned after an absence of one year and located at Algiers, La. In 1853 he became a resident of Grimes county, Texas, residing there for twenty-three years. In 1861 he was ordained a deacon in the Methodist Episcopal church, South, at La Grange. For twenty-two years he preached in Madison, Grimes and Leon counties, where he organized several churches.

Subsequently he was stationed at Bastrop, Columbus and Weimar. Originally a communicant of the Episcopal church, Mr. Duncan had affiliated with the Methodist church for the reason that no church of his persuasion was accessible, but in 1888 he formally returned to the Episcopal faith and served as missionary at Lampasas, and later became rector of St. Luke's parish, Belton, and also assumed charge of the Temple mission.

In 1891 he removed to Temple. He resigned the charge at Temple in 1893, but continued in charge of the work at Cameron, Rockdale, Belton and other places.

Mr. Duncan was twice married. He first married Miss Marian Locke at Watertown, N. Y., in 1848. This union was blessed with three sons and two daughters, all of whom survive, namely, Messrs. A. P. and S. D. A. Duncan of Waco, J. E. Duncan of Austin, Mesdames Lewis Ellers of Bastrop and J. W. Martin of Bryan. The first wife died in Belton in 1888.

In 1891 Mr. Duncan was united in marriage to Mrs. E. T. Young of Temple, and their home was blessed with one son, Donald, fifteen years of age. Burial was at Belton, services being conducted by Bishop Kinsolving and Rev. E. C. Seaman, rector of Christ church, Temple. Masonic order concluded the services. Mr. Duncan was a thirty-second degree Mason, with membership in Rose Croix consistory, Galveston. The funeral cortege was one of the longest ever seen in Bell county.

## COLONEL MANN NO MORE.

**Prominent Grand Army Man and High in Masonic Circles.**

Dallas, Jan. 27.—Colonel Martin W. Mann, a prominent Grand Army man and leading Odd Fellow, died at his residence here, aged seventy-seven years. Born in Bavaria, deceased came to America at an early age. He was a Union soldier during the civil war, participating in many engagements. At Shiloh Colonel Mann distinguished himself.

For over thirty years he was a resident of Texas, residing first at Brenham. Colonel Mann came to Dallas nearly twenty years ago. In 1891 and 1892 he was commander of the Texas department of the Grand Army of the Republic.

He was a high priest of the Royal Arch Masons and commander of the Knights Templar. He was president of the German Mutual Assurance company.

Some years ago Colonel Mann was the Republican nominee for governor of Texas.

By occupation he was a building contractor, but retired from business some years ago. He was also a member of the German Methodist Episcopal church.

Mrs. Mann died Aug. 16, 1906.

## LUMBER FIRST SHIPMENT.

**Initial Cargo In New Canal Sent From Orange.**

Houston, Jan. 27.—The first shipment through the Sabine Lake canal was of export lumber for England by the Lutecher & Moore Lumber company of Orange, Tex. The shipment consisted of 300,000 feet of lumber. Congress has expended \$536,500 on

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Dixie Rye,—case goods—per gallon.....	4.00
Bond & Lillard—case goods—per gallon.....	4.00
McBrayer—case goods—per gallon.....	4.00
Mellwood—case goods—per gallon.....	4.00
Texas Club—case goods—per gallon.....	4.00
International—barrell goods—per gallon.....	4.00
International—case goods—per quart.....	1.25

All original packages. Money must accompany all orders, and they will have prompt attention.

this canal. It is fifteen miles long, connecting the Sabine and Neches rivers. Dredging began Jan. 11, 1906.

## EYEBALL TORN OUT.

**Lamar County Merchant Dies From Injuries Caused by Dynamite.**

Paris, Tex., Jan. 23.—G. D. Terrell, a merchant of Roxton, died in a hospital here from the result of a dynamite explosion in a stove at his place of business. A box, thought to be empty, was placed in the stove. The cap exploded and the stove burst. Fragments struck Mr. Terrell in the face, tearing an eyeball out.

## CAT CAUSES CALAMITIES.

**Overturns Lantern, Barn Burns and Farmer Is Scorched.**

Valley View, Tex., Jan. 27.—Mr. King, who resides two miles southeast of here, sustained painful bruises and his barn was destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$500 as the result of the overturning of a lantern by a cat. Mr. King was unable to prevent the destruction of the barn after he had extinguished the flames on his clothing, originating from this preading oil.

## Barber Shop Boiler Blows Up.

Waco, Jan. 27.—The hot water tank in the Club barber shop exploded. The shop front was blown out. Glasses, shaving mugs and razors flew in the air. It happened on Sunday morning. Two men were bathing and a couple of barbers were shaving themselves. The explosion was heard several blocks.

## Kills Man and Suicides.

El Paso, Jan. 24.—Elmer Wheeler, a well known ranchman, shot and killed Amos Burnham, a prominent stockman near Endee, N. M. Wheeler then killed himself. The two men quarreled over a woman.

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Don't be blind and buy your fall suit before you price Schwartz'. 46

When you think of drugs see Powell. 1

Nice line of folding beds, both upright and mantle. Halsted Bros.

Wall paper, all kinds and designs and prices right. Baird Drug Co. 6

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I earnestly request all who are indebted to me to come in and settle up. I need the money to meet my obligations. H. H. RAMSEY.

Ledgers, blank books, etc at Hammans Bros. 52tf

## Wood Heaters.

A few nice wood heaters left, closing them out at cost. Halsted Bros. 51tf

Clement & Price appreciate your grocery trade. 45

See our book department, some of the best and latest works of fiction. Childrens' books, etc. Hammans Bros. 52tf

When you need a good suit of overall or work clothes, high grade Union make go to Hammans & Bro.

They are selling more boys clothing at Schwartz' than ever before. Why? Because the price is right.

## HIDES WANTED.

All the hides in Callahan County. Will pay highest market price. 2-tf C. S. BOYLES.

## Checks or Cash.

THE STAR will take on subscription checks, bank notes, greenbacks, gold or silver, no matter whether or not the latter two have on them the old familiar motto "In God we Trust." The main thing is to get any medium of exchange that we can pay debts with. "THE STAR."

REMEMBER—The American Beauty Flour is by odds the best on the market. Recommended by the thousands who are now using it. Sold by J. C. Jones, Baird, Texas.

## T. M. Hawkins, Kansas.

It is surely considered a good recommendation of an article when the proprietor of the store uses it. With regard to medicine, the range of choice is especially large. Yet when Druggists J. M. Hawkins of Mound City, Kan., got ill and needed a reliable laxative and tonic for his stomach trouble he selected Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which he naturally considers the best. This remedy is absolutely guaranteed to do what is claimed, and if you want to try it before buying, send your address for a free sample bottle to Pepsin Syrup Co. 119 Caldwell Bldg., Monticello, Ill. It is sold by Powell & Powell at 50c and \$1 a bottle.

## PASSENGER EARNINGS.

Figures of the First Five Months Are Given Out.

### IMPROVEMENT IS DECIDED

Net Increase For Period From July 1 to Nov. 30, 1907, is \$1,282,560 as Compared With Corresponding Time of Previous Year.

Austin, Jan. 23.—The railroad commission gave out a statement showing passenger earnings for Texas railroads for the first five months of the present fiscal year, ending Nov. 30, 1907, were \$11,610,594, against \$10,328,034 for the same roads of corresponding period of preceding fiscal year. This shows a net increase in passenger business of Texas lines for the five months named of \$1,282,560. These figures were obtained from sworn reports of railroads.

The Postal Cable Telegraph company paid \$408 taxes on gross receipts of \$14,868 for quarter ending Dec. 31, on Texas business.

Attorney General Davidson has accepted invitation to be present at the celebration of the completion of the Sabine-Neches channel, which will take place Monday at Port Arthur. He will go to Beaumont Saturday, where he will join several friends and accompany them to Port Arthur.

#### CONDITION OF ROADS.

Railroad Commission Gives Out Statement and Also Comparison.

Austin, Jan. 27.—The railroad commission has given out a statement showing the conditions of railroads for the first five months of the present fiscal year in comparison with the same period last year. The statement shows gross earnings of \$28,853,999 for the first five months of 1907, and \$27,977,329 for the first five months of this fiscal year, which is a decrease of 2.26 per cent. Gross freight earnings for same period show a decrease of \$627,875 or 2.33 per cent. Gross operating expenses show an increase of \$5,284,988, or 21.11 per cent for the same period.

The Missouri, Kansas and Texas Development Company of Dallas filed an amendment to its charter changing its name to the Union Central Construction company.

### PURPORT OF PURCHASE.

Object Is to Do Away With the Convict Leasing System.

Austin, Jan. 27.—Judge Gill of the penitentiary board, came here and consulted with Governor Campbell regarding the big land deal the state has been engaged in looking to the purchase of the Ellis and Cunningham sugar plantations in Fort Bend county, on which to work state convicts. It is stated that the purchase of these lands will eventually abolish the convict lease system, thereby taking convicts out of competition with free labor and putting them to work manufacturing sugar and its products, which will be a competitive contest with the sugar trust. It has been announced that the policy of the governor is to abolish the convict lease system, and this method will lead to its ultimate elimination in Texas.

Regarding the protest from citizens of Richmond as to the state purchasing these lands, that it will interfere with conditions generally in Fort Bend county and increase the expenses of the county in enforcing the criminal laws, the governor stated that he had not as yet received a copy of the protesting resolutions or petition.

Both of the sugar companies value their holdings at something like \$1,500,000, yet their properties are assessed for taxes at something like \$300,000. The land which the state will pay \$600,000 for has been assessed for only \$129,000. Now in this purchase, the state does not acquire the sugar refinery, and if same is assessed for half of its value it will net Fort Bend county more funds than it has ever received from combined tax payments from sugar properties in that county.

#### FOWL FILCHER.

Party at Houston Is Truly an Expert Chicken Thief.

Houston, Jan. 27.—A party here is accused of forgery and theft who is an expert chicken thief, according to affidavits against him. His method of operation is said to be to visit railroad and express offices, get the names on tags of poultry crates and send a driver with an order signed by supposedly consignee to collect the crates. The poultry were then peddled. Several hundred dollars' worth of fowls are alleged to have been thus obtained.

Fred P. Ruddle of Dallas, inspector for the Underwriters' association, is making an examination of the Houston fire department as the result of a resolution charging the department with incompetency, passed by local insurance men just following the opera house fire.

#### Chattel Mortgage Filed.

Waxahachie, Tex., Jan. 24.—The

Thompson Jewelry company has filed a chattel mortgage for the benefit of creditors. Liabilities are about \$20,000. W. L. P. Leigh is named as trustee. The firm has been engaged in business several years.

#### Child Burns to Death.

Paris, Tex., Jan. 25.—Diddle Vickers, six years old, burned to death at her home near Paris. Her clothes caught fire while her mother was washing.

#### Traveling Man Dead.

Dallas, Jan. 28.—Thomas C. Harvey, a well known traveling man, died here.

## PORT ARTHUR REJOICES

Other Cities Send Representatives to Participate.

### CANAL COMPLETION CAUSE

Event Marked the Culmination of the Undertaking of Uniting the Waters of the Neches and Sabine Rivers to Ship Channel.

Port Arthur, Tex., Jan. 28.—There was held at Port Arthur Monday a great celebration, in which the people of this city, Beaumont, Orange and Sabine joined, with guests present from along the Texas coast, the event marking the completion of the government work on the Sabine Lake canal, that gives deep water facilities for Beaumont through the Neches river, to Orange, just above the mouth of the Sabine river, connecting those two rivers with the Port Arthur ship channel and to deep water.

The celebration took the form of speech-making and general felicitations on the completion of the work. The home fleets of Port Arthur, Orange, Sabine and Beaumont and the revenue cutter Windom, ordered here by Secretary Cortelyou, participated and formed an imposing array of shipping. Among the visitors was Major J. F. McIndoe of the United States engineering corps, with headquarters at New Orleans, under whose direction the canal was constructed. By orders of the mayor a holiday was observed.

### SEVEN CREMATED.

Father, Mother and Five Children Consumed.

Richmond, Va., Jan. 28.—By the collapse of the house of Anthony Franklin, a negro of Bedford City, the building was fired and destroyed and his whole family consisting of himself, wife and five children, were burned to death. The family were sitting up with the corpse of a child when the building fell and imprisoned them.

#### DEMOCRATS DINED.

Senator Bailey Invited, but He Was Not in Attendance.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Senator Newlands of Nevada gave a dinner Monday night in honor of Hon. W. J. Bryan, who is a guest of the senator at "Woodley" his country residence. Those invited to the dinner were one-half of the Democratic members of the senate according to the alphabetical arrangement of names in the congressional directory.

Senator Newlands had arranged for a similar dinner Tuesday evening, with the other half of the Democratic senators to be invited. The invited guests Monday night were Hon. W. J. Bryan, Senator Bacon, Bailey, Banhead, Clarke, Clay, Culberson, Daniel, Jeff Davis, Foster, Frazier, Johnston, Latimer and McCreary. Senator Bailey was not present. Senator Newlands said that no political significance attached to the dinner.

#### PIONEER TEXAN PASSES.

J. A. Stinson, Governor Hogg's Father-in-Law, is Dead.

Winnboro, Tex., Jan. 28.—Colonel James A. Stinson, the father-in-law of the late Governor Hogg, died here. His past two months. The members of his family present were his daughter, Mrs. Lillie Burkett, and her husband, Dave Burkett; his sister, Mrs. Mary Phillips; his sons, John H. Stinson of Amarillo and James F. Stinson of Fort Worth, and his grandson, Will C. Hogg of Houston. His remains were buried with Masonic honors at the Ebenezer cemetery, the family burying ground, twelve miles south of Winnboro. Col. one Stinson had lived in Wood county forty years and was a colonel in the Confederate army.

#### TO TEACH BANKING.

Commissioner Love May Recommend That Instruction Be Given.

Austin, Jan. 28.—Commissioner of Insurance and Banking Love casually stated today that he would probably include in his next annual report a recommendation that elementary insurance and elementary banking be taught in the public schools, as ele-

mentary agriculture was provided for by the last legislature. He thinks the boys should know how to handle their money and their crops, and know something of insurance in an elementary way.

#### Hightower Succeeded by Martin.

Palestine, Tex., Jan. 28.—An official circular is out appointing H. Martin, superintendent of the Fort Worth division of the International and Great Northern, vice Mr. Hightower, resigned. Mr. Martin has been inspector of transportation on this division.

#### Placed on Retired List.

Washington, Jan. 28.—Brigadier General Medorem Crawford was placed on the retired list on account of age.

#### Police Bill Passes Assembly.

Carson, Nev., Jan. 28.—The Nevada police bill passed the assembly by a vote of 31 to 7. It had already passed the senate.

#### Swept by Tornado.

Birmingham, Jan. 28.—A tornado swept through the northeastern portion of Etowah county. No lives were lost, but much damage done property.

### ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS REWARD.

The Protective Stock Association of Callahan and adjoining counties will pay above reward for the arrest and conviction of any person for the theft or unlawful branding of any horses or cattle belonging to any member of this Association, in good standing.

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# GREETING

We wish to thank our friends and patrons for the patronage and favors we have received during the past year, which has proved to be the most successful year in the history of our business, and hope for a continuation of the same for the coming year. Wishing all a Merry Xmas and a Bright Happy New Year. We remain yours for future business,

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# To The Public



We desire to thank you one and all for your patronage during the past year, and express the hope that you will continue with us during the present year. Come in and bring your neighbors with you.

Look for our ad next week, too busy to write an ad this week.

We wish you one and all a Prosperous and Happy New Year.

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#### Property Renditions.

Remember the new law makes it imperative that the Tax Assessor shall list all taxable property at its actual value and he is subject to severe penalty if he fails to do this. Before beginning the assessment the assessors are required to take an iron clad oath that they will comply with law. The Commissioners must take an additional oath before acting as a Board of Equalization. So if the Assessor fails to list the property at its actual cash value the Court will get it any way and the Assessor may lose his job. Don't blame the Assessor or the Court. They did not make the law, but it is their duty to comply with the law just as it is.

#### "Jakey, Mikey and Ikey."

The Allen Curtis Musical Comedy Company, the best musical organization touring this section of the country will be here with us next Tuesday, Feb. 4th., producing the biggest laughing musical comedy seen in years "Jakey, Mikey & Ikey" and it promises to be the best attraction that will be seen here this season. The company number 25 people, headed with the biggest laugh creator in the business, Allen Curtis, and he is surrounded with one of the strongest casts obtainable, artists, who have a reputation for coast to coast in the musical comedy field. The singing and dancing chorus is said to be the best drilled lot of show girls seen together this season.

The new two story brick of the Home National Bank is nearly completed and the bank will be moved as soon as the new fixtures arrive and can be put in.

### KILLED IN MISSISSIPPI.

Mrs. J. C. Estes has received notice of the killing of her uncle, J. W. Crowell, by a negro at Ft. Loring, Miss. Mr. Crowell was the tender of a draw bridge for the Southern Ry. at Ft. Loring on the Yazoo River. The bridge was also used by pedestrians, a small toll fee being charged. A negro man and woman attempted to cross without paying toll, and upon demand from Mr. Crowell the negro man hit him on the back of the head knocking him down and a with a second blow crushed his victims skull, causing instant death. The negro escaped, but was captured later and hanged by mob.

#### New Story.

Look out for the new serial story "THE IRON WAY" a Western Romance, connected with the building of the Central Pacific Railway, the first road to connect the east with the great west. Look for "Ad" next week. Opening chapters about 2nd. week in February. Send your subscriptions now, to insure first part of this great story. You will like it. Makes about 86 columns, over 18 pages of THE STAR. The story alone is worth a year's subscription to THE STAR. Subscription (\$1.00) one dollar in advance.

Henry Pratt, of Stamford, spent a few days in Baird the first of the week.

Miss Katherine Chambliss, who has been visiting her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Chambliss for sometime, left today for Wheatland to resume her duties as teacher of music.

Mrs. L. M. Hadley and Ed Summers were called to Oklahoma the first of the week by the serious illness of their sister, Mrs. Mattie Hall. Miss Elizabeth Manning accompanied Mrs. Hadley.

### MARRIED.

The marriage of Miss Beulah Chambliss, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Chambliss, to Mr. C. E. Alvis, of Cisco, was solemnized at the Methodist Church, Wednesday evening, Jan. 29th, at 9 o'clock, Rev. Chambliss, the bride's father, performing the marriage ceremony.

The Church was beautifully decorated in white, pink, and green.

Miss Katherine Chambliss, and Mr. C. E. Boydston, Miss Bettis and Mr. Crawford entered first and went to the organ, where Miss Bettis, accompanied by Miss Chambliss, sang "The Message", after which to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March played by Miss Chambliss the bridal party entered led by the ushers, Mr. Bert Langston and Mr. James Anderson, followed by Miss Hester and Mr. J. E. Milfort, Miss Garner and Mr. G. O. Hargraves, the bride and her maid of honor, Miss Willie Chambliss, the groom and his best man, Mr. R. R. Alvis, each one taking their place thus forming a semi-circle at the altar, the bride and groom standing beneath a beautiful white bell suspended from the arch.

After the wedding a reception was given the bridal party and a few friends at the home of the bride's parents. The house was beautifully decorated. The parlor in ferns, in the dining room a large pink bell was hung above the table, from the bell was suspended white, pink and green ribbons to which were tied little books for each guest to write a good wish. The table was decorated in hyacinths, ferns and violets. The library was decorated in red, white and blue. In the center of the room was suspended a large red bell surrounded by smaller ones which formed a beautiful canopy under which was placed the bride's cake.

The bride was attired in a beautiful mile green chiffon cloth over taffeta, trimmed in bands of taffeta and lace. The maid of honor wore a cream crepe de Chine trimmed in bands of pink velvet. Miss Garner wore pink crepe de Chine trimmed in lace. Miss Hester wore a Nile green trimmed in lace. Miss Bettis wore a white veil.

Miss Katherine Chambliss wore a gray taffeta. The groom and his attendants wore the conventional black.

The out of town guests and those who attended the reception were:

R. R. Alvis, Colorado, G. O. Hargrave, Sulphur Springs, J. E. Malfort Thurber, Bertie Langston, James Anderson, E. P. Crawford, Miss Stella Garner, Miss Bessie Bettis, Ellen Baker and Chassie Coffman all of Cisco, Miss Hester, of Haskell, Misses Mable Daniel, Nannie Bell, Jeannette Reagan, Laura Blythe, Laura Thompson, Myrtle Boydston, Francis Ross, Mary Tisdale, Messrs Uzzell, Boydston, Parks, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Harmon, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Gray and Mrs. H. Ross.

#### Died.

Mr. T. D. Chambers died Saturday at the home of his son W. Y. Chambers near town. Mr. Chambers was 79 years old and had been an invalid for almost three years. He was a confederate soldier and served through the war in Co. B. 4th. Tennessee Cavalry. The remains were shipped to Rockwall county, his old home, for interment. H. B. Chambers of Dallas, son of deceased arrived Friday. A message was sent another son in Colorado but it is supposed he did not receive it as no response came. Obituary will appear next week.

J. C. Irwin, living near Ft. Griffith in Throckmorton County, brought his little son, Ferrill, aged 11 years who had been bitten by a skunk, to a madstone in town. They spent two days in town and returned home.

R. A. Broocke, of P. own County arrived today with his son, Nat, who was badly burned in a mine explosion in New Mexico several weeks ago. They will go out on the stage to Cross Plains in the morning and from there home. Nat was badly burned but his father says he is doing as well as could be expected.



"Jakey, Mikey and Ikey"  
OPERA HOUSE

Tuesday Night, Feb. 6th, 1908

Several articles in type are left out this week for lack of space. Crop Statistics, List of children in Public School who have paid incidental assessment. About 200 of the latter have paid. We hope to have the list of all by next week. If you want the school to go on pay the amount to pay for wood, rent etc. Some of the poorest people in town have paid. If there are any unable to pay the money will be made up by subscription.