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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.

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One lot of Men's Suits while they last at Half Price.
All Mens Suits and Overcoats-except black-One-third off.
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THE HOME NATIONAL BANK.

The Home National Bank moved into the new bank building on corner of Market and 2nd street last Saturday. The move was made without any interruption of business and without any accident to the large safe.

This is one of the handsomest bank buildings in West Texas and is a credit to the town, the county and the bank. The building is built of brick, is 25x140 feet, two stories high. In the front, entrance on corner, is the bank quarters in which the main vault and safe is located; back of this is a small room for private consultation and two vaults for the storage of books and papers; back of this is a room 20x25 to be used for the meetings of the Directors. In the back end of the building is a large room 25x70, plate glass front as well as plate glass front in the preceding room mentioned. All rooms are well lighted. New furniture has been put in and the floor outside of bank desks and railings is of beautiful but substantial tilling. The building, furniture and everything about it is plain, but neat and substantial, nothing gaudy or unnecessarily expensive, but everything seems to have been selected with a view to utility rather than show, but notwithstanding this the building shows up well. The upper story has been cut up into rooms that will be rented

for such purposes as may be desired. The upper story is reached by a stairway on the south side. A splendid concrete sidewalk in front and along the entire length of the building has been put down. The building is an ornament to the town and a credit to the bank. Business closed in the old building on the west side of Market street Saturday and opened Monday in the new building across the street and everything is going on just as usual.

COTTONWOOD LOCALS.

Hon. W. R. Ely, County Attorney and future County Judge, was in our little City last Friday.—Clyde Sun.

Oh hold on there Mr. Sun Man, how do you know so much about who will be our next County Judge? If you can see so far into the future give us the tip and we won't lose a single vote.

There is a great deal of sickness in our community now, mostly La Grippe.

Our farmers are busy breaking their land early for another big cotton crop, to make some 6 cent cotton, with twenty-five cent corn and fourteen cent bacon.

Most any one can figure out what cotton will be worth one year from now with the assessor telling how many acres we planted in 1907 and how many we are going to plant in 1908.

My advice to the owder and renter

is to raise more feed stuff and try a few crops and less cotton. The one and one main thing with the farmer who has to hire help is that he has to pay more for labor than he can possibly get out of it. We are to blame to some extent ourselves but we can remedy the evil ourselves.

Mr. Editor tell all the candidates that as the primary will not be till July for them to wait till grass and leaves come to see the dear people, are scarce of feed and the wood pile has run low, and and er er, I don't want to talk to em no how, as my ticket is already made out anyway.

J. C. Shuford has been confined to his home for the past few weeks with lagrippe.

Sam Strahan is up from a severe cold.

M. Tom Grant lately of Burnette County, is very ill.

Our old friend, Frank Harlow, has never fully recovered the use of his lower limbs.

More next week.

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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

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

CARD OF THANKS

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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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BAIRD, TEXAS.

CONFEDERATE COLUMN.

John Couch.

Born in the year 1833 at Greenville, South Carolina, a year made famous by the falling stars, in which history relates that "they fell like flakes of snow" and it required no astrologist to foretell that like the late lamented Gov. Hogg, "that he was born in a storm, and has been in one ever since". Becoming of age in 1854, he promptly began to ramble and landed in Williamson County, Texas, at a time when such an act would have cancelled his life insurance policy if he had had one; staying there until 1858 his, restless spirit prompted him to return to his old home in South Carolina. At the first out-break of the war we find him a member of the 4th. South Carolina Infantry. To read the number of engagements in which he participated would be like reading the table of contents of the battles of the war. The 21st of July, 1861, we find him at Manassas, participating in the battle which destroyed McDowell's free-treat and spectacular performance in which the rebels were to be wiped from the face of the earth, to grace a Congressional holiday. To this day this old veteran still thinks in the face of historical facts to the contrary, that if Pres. Jeff Davis had not been present and as the yankees were so utterly routed, that Beauregard would have followed them up, taking Washington and by that fight ended the war, but to that assertion, we can only say, "May be so." From Manassas to Leesburg was the next move on the board and there he participated in the battle of Ball's Bluff, a second time seeing the Northern hordes' hurled from the sacred soil of the South. McClellan then coming in command, figured out that the strategic line for capture of Richmond was via the peninsula, transfers the seat of war to that point. Johnston, ever ready, was soon across his path there. So the subject of this sketch finds himself at Williamsburg April, 1862, retreating day by day drawing McClellan from his Gunboats. Johnston finally got him where he wanted him, entertained him with a seven days performance, which, when the curtain dropped, McClellan was safely on his Gunboats. The reorganization of the army then coming on, our stormed-tossed hero, thinking muskets did not shoot hard enough for him, joined the Artillery, and became a member of Earle's South Carolina Battery; with it he remained the rest of the war. His Battery being horse-artillery he found that life quite strenuous and was busy all the time.

Edisto River, Pecolalego, Jan. 24, 1865; Honey Hill, Savannah, Dec. 13, 1864; Salkehatchie River, Feb. 3, 1865; Cheraw, March, 1865; Bentonville, March 21, 1865, and then the end, when Johnston surrendered. Back to Greenville, South Carolina there he stays only long enough to draw a good breath; in 1866 we find him again in Williamson Co., Texas; still restless, still unsettled, he tried various counties until 1881 he landed in Callahan where he still resides, having passed the 75 mile stone on the journey of life, looks now like he may yet reach the 100th.

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until tomorrow what you can do today. If you are suffering from a torpid liver, or constipation, don't wait until tomorrow to get help. Buy a bottle of Herbine and get that liver working right. Promptness about health saves many sick spells. "Mrs. Ida Gresham, Point Texas, writes: I used Herbine in my family six years, and find it does all it claims to do." Sold by Powell & Powell.

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OBITUARY.

Thomas Donoho Chambers was born in Sumner County, Tenn., Jan. 18th, 1829. His great-grandfather and wife were from Ireland to North Carolina, to Kentucky; his grandfather from Kentucky to Tennessee, where Thomas was born. He was married twice; first to Mary Jane Massie, Sept. 16, 1852. Three sons blessed their union. Second to Miss Sarah E. Moore, Sept. 1, 1859. Four sons and five daughters were born to them. This last wife died March 31, 1902. Of all the children aeven are now living.

He joined the Confederate army in 1861; Company B. of the 4th. Tenn. Cavalry, and entered the service in September, 1861 and continued in the same until the 22nd of May, 1865 when he returned home. He was wounded three times. Twice only slightly. Once in 1862 that disabled him several weeks. He moved to Missouri in the fall of '69, Thence to Grayson Co., Texas, in Jan. '71; in Nov. '72 to Rockwall county, making his home there until his death.

In August, 1874, at Old Mt. Zion church he embraced Christ and was received into the Methodist Church South by Rev. T. E. Sherwood, continuing a member of the same 'till his death.

He died at the residence of his son, W. Y. Chambers, near Baird, Texas, at 10 o'clock, Jan. 25th, 1908. Aged 79 years and 10 days.

Society Defunct.

The Friend-In-Need Society with about four hundred members, that has been in successful operation in this country for several years, if defunct. The society was organized as an insurance order and was getting along splendidly but it was discovered that the society was operating in violation of the state laws and they had to quit. During the existence of the society it paid we believe six or seven death claims amounting to about four hundred dollars each except perhaps the first one or two when the membership was small. The plan was simple. Each member paid in one dollar each, and no other expense until a death of one of the members occurred when the money was promptly paid to the family of the deceased member, when another assessment was made and money deposited for the benefit of the family of the next member to die, but the law says we cannot do this and the society has disbanded. Arrangements, we learn, have been made by A. G. Webb, secretary of the Society whereby the members can transfer their membership to the "Home Circle Society" headquarters, at Waco, without additional cost. Many members are taking advantage of the offer and are transferring their membership, the editor among them. Personally we do not know much about the new order but will try it, though others should decide for themselves. Old members of the Friend-in-Need Society, who have no other insurance should at least investigate the offer of the new society before turning it down. Write or see A. G. Webb for further information. This is not a paid notice, but given without solicitation solely for the benefit of the members of the little society that has proven a friend in time of need to many families in the county.

NOTICE.

I will pay \$50 reward for the arrest and conviction of any person or persons found guilty of stealing any horses, mules or cattle belonging to any citizen of Callahan County. 2.tf T. A. IRVIN, Sheriff.

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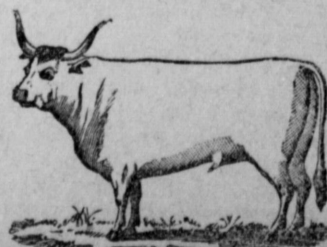
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WORLD IN PARAGRAPHS.

Five Greenville, Tex., residences were burned.
 San Angelo, Tex., is to have a \$65,000 opera house.
 The Katy depot at Coalgate, Okla., was robbed of \$123.
 Four men fired nine ineffectual shots at a Dallas burglar.
 A humane society has been organized at Chickasha, Okla.
 J. S. Bobo died at Fort Worth from effects of carbolic acid.
 At Stamford, Tex., E. A. Swenson will erect a \$10,000 residence.
 J. H. Clement, a prominent stockman of Quanah, Tex., died suddenly.
 Hon. W. J. Bryan pronounces the president's special message a brave one.
 In thirty days eight residences and two stores have been built at Tuxedo, Tex.
 Kenner Graham was probably fatally run over by a train at Roswell, Okla.
 Judge Reuben A. Reeves, a Dallas attorney, known all over Texas, is dead.
 Secretary of Fort Worth school board asks protection of students from vicious dogs.
 Western Trust and Banking company is the eighth financial institution at Tulsa, Okla.
 Fire at Hastings, Okla., destroyed four business houses.
 Katy depot and four cars at Tulsa, Okla., burned; loss, \$25,000.
 Uncle Sam has donated to Enid, Okla., ten acres for a park.
 J. H. York, for over thirty years a Dallas shoemaker, is no more.
 Fruit trees are being set out on nearly 400 acres in the Hereford, Tex., section.
 David Doble, Jr., for ten years postmaster at Brady, Tex., has been re-appointed.
 While playing with his two children near Blackburn, Okla., B. F. Smith dropped dead.
 In Judge Bond's court Mayor Brown of Claremore, Okla., was exonerated of charges made.
 Mrs. L. C. Sauer is the third of the seven persons poisoned near Thordale, Tex., to die.
 Home National bank of Stanton, Tex., capital stock \$25,000, has been authorized to do business.
 Thirty northern families have located in the Hereford, Tex., section the past few days.
 A wagonload of splendid cabbage, grown two miles from Snyder, Okla., was marketed there.
 Dr. F. L. Stephens of Goldthwaite, Tex., is dead. He was a brother of Comptroller Stephens.
 Charged with the killing of Katie Ryan at San Angelo, Tex., John King and John Huff were jailed.
 Governor Haskell of Oklahoma has appointed 110 meat inspectors. It is said 300 more are needed.
 The funeral of Cardinal Richard at Paris was the occasion of a great Roman Catholic demonstration.
 John Brown, a negro, convicted at Cuero, Tex., of criminal assault, was sentenced to hang March 13.
 Poll tax payments for Dallas county, Texas, broke all records—15,960, exclusive of 1,750 exemptions.
 Sandy Blocker, charged at Groesbeck, Tex., with killing Henry Demmons, was given twenty years.
 John P. Watkins, a leading citizen of Kaufman county, Texas, died at Kemp, aged fifty-seven years.
 Fire originating in the establishment at San Antonio of the Brown Clothing company did \$25,000 damage.
 With but one dissenting vote the proposition to issue \$10,000 bonds to build at Stamford, Tex., a high school carried.
 The five-year-old girl of D. Deggs of near Moscow, Tex., fell on a knife. The blade penetrated the head, causing death.
 Mrs. F. M. Read of De Kalb, Tex., while on a visit to Paris, Tex., died on a street just after leaving the opera house.
 Constable Dave Pierce was shot at Frankston, Tex., at the residence of Sam Tubbs, soon expiring. Tubbs surrendered.
 A Memphis watchman shot to death in the Frisco railway yards a negro discovered stealing coal. The negro resisted arrest.
 Willie Jackson, a negro, was arrested within five feet of the door of the Federal clerk's office at Guthrie on charge of bootlegging.
 At the meeting of the Oklahoma Spanish War Veterans' association, held at Watonga, Seymour Foose was elected commander.
 Seven miles from Bastrop, Tex., W. P. Green, an aged man, was killed with an ax blow on the head by an unknown person.
 In attempting to dislodge a rabbit from a brush pile with a shotgun Roy Wampner, a boy, residing near Shafter, Okla., killed himself.
 Nona Mill company's sawmill at Odellia, fifteen miles south of Beaumont, was destroyed by fire. The loss is \$36,000; insurance, \$18,500.
 Bob Martin, a negro mail wagon driver at Austin, convicted of mail robbery, was sentenced to four years in the Lansing, Mich., penitentiary.
 The pay of laborers in the shops at El Paso of the El Paso and Southwestern railway have been reduced 10

cents per hour. Several have quit.
 At Guthrie Tom Beatty, a negro, got thirty days in jail. He was convicted of transferring 144 half pints of whisky from one Oklahoma point to another.
 Two babies in a basket were found on the doorstep of Jacob Essling at St. Louis. One was a boy a day old, the other a girl, five days old. The boy died from exposure.
 In an address at the annual banquet of the Ohio Society of New York City at the Waldorf-Astoria Senator Foraker ascribed the chief cause of the business depression to President Roosevelt's attitude and utterances.

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 should be sunshine in the house, and will be if you give it White's Cream Vermifuge the best worm medicine offered to suffering humanity. This remedy is becoming the permanent fixture of all households. A mother with children, can't get along without a bottle of White's Cream Vermifuge in the house. Sold by Powell & Powell.

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 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 Feby. 1st, unless poll tax is paid before Feby. 1st. Pay your taxes today. Don't wait.
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 Women get rundown without knowing just what is the matter with them, and doctors don't seem to understand their case. Mrs. Isabelle Wheeler, Freetown, Ind., was nervous and debilitated and could find no help until she took Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, and that cured her. She says people come to her for miles around to ask what medicine she took that did her so much good. 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.

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President Roosevelt's last message to congress was certainly the hot stuff.

Senator Foraker's New York speech would make a fine campaign document for the democrats.

The Bailey organs all say "the people" are tired of the Bailey question. Yes, and tired of Bailey and his organs too.

Good roads in Callahan county would be worth more to the people than anything else except good schools. The two kinder go together. We need both.

The charge is openly made, even by some ardent pros, that state wide prohibition question is sprung this year to detract attention from the Bailey question.

The "non partisan" partisan anti-saloon league has decided to have the democratic State Committee submit the prohibition question to the voters at the July primary. Here is gall for you!

The prohibition, or the anti-saloon league, as they style themselves now, have decided to abandon the non-partisan subterfuge and appeal to the Democratic party to pledge, itself to submit a prohibition amendment to the constitution. The plan is to secure thirty thousand democrats to sign a petition requesting the State Executive Committee to submit the question to the voters of the Democratic primary next July. The idea is to commit the Democratic party in Texas to state prohibition. In the list of names of this league we see names of men who have been masquerading as democrats for years, but were really prohibitionists all the time. Others are republicans and some are avowed party prohibitionists. The plan as announced is to secure the necessary signatures through the church organizations. What becomes of the long vaunted contention by the pros that prohibition was a moral not a political question. Personally we would have no objection to the legislature submitting the question of state prohibition to the people, but this thing of a lot of politicians out of the party, trying to force the democratic party to endorse prohibition don't set well with some. THE STAR hopes the democrats of Texas will defeat the project if this attempt is made to foist prohibition upon the party. THE STAR believes the pros have adopted the very plan that will defeat their object—that is to have a prohibition amendment, because should the democrats defeat the project in the primary the next legislature will refuse to submit the amendment. On the other hand, without any declaration of the party on the question, it is likely, on proper petition they would submit the amendment. Of course, the pros believe the prohibition sentiment in the democratic party is strong enough to carry it, but this is not certain, at least it is a risky business. The local option sentiment is strong with all parties, but not state prohibition, especially so now when the object of the pros is made plain that they seek legislation to prohibit the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage entirely.

State Senator

BAIRD, TEXAS, FEB., 2, 1908.
CAPT. W. C. POWELL AND SIXTY-FOUR OTHERS:

GENTLEMAN: Your petition of Jany. 4th appearing in The Baird Star on Jan. 9th, asking me to allow you to submit my name as a candidate before the coming Democratic primary for the State Senate from this the 28th Senatorial District, has been read and carefully considered and my conclusion reached.

Much as I regret it, I must decline to make this race. It calls for a greater sacrifice of time and money than I can afford, at this period, to make.

You will allow me to say that I feel honored by so touching an expression of confidence in my integrity and ability from so large a number of my neighbors and fellow citizens. I know of nothing that would give me greater pleasure than to comply with your sincere request.

I, too, believe that the time is ripe for the people to rise in their might and put official thieves in stripes. The time has come for us to quit dallying with the giant trust, and teach it that the people are masters and not slaves.

We must return to the simple Democratic doctrine, "that public office is a public trust." That a public official is a public servant, answerable for his official acts to his master, the people.

That we are not going to allow this fair land to be devoted to the up building of a favored ruling class to effect the enslavement of the masses. Let us select some man who is capable and honest and who is financially able to make the race and stay with him.

Again thanking you for your expressions of confidence, I am your Obedient Servant,
S. F. RUSSELL.

Dr. Rankin, the erstwhile "local optionist" is now a full-fledged state prohibitionist. If the democratic party does not give him all he demands he will doubtless leave the party to its fate and join the prohibition party. He is very near Brear Cranfill's party now.

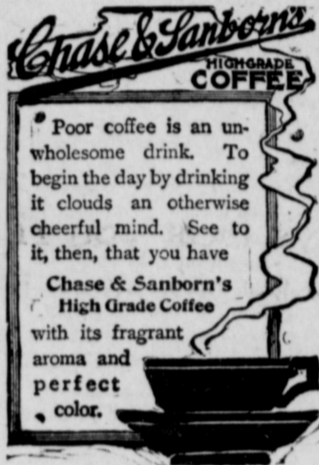
Golden days for the preachers. No more whiskey devils to fight, the churches are beginning to raise salaries.—Aspernont Star.

Must be a mistake somewhere. The preachers that were so active for years as "local optionists" having succeeded in securing local option in most counties in Texas are now for state wide prohibition and are more active, if possible, than ever. Prohibition seems to be the only, the burning issue of the hour. The Ocala demands, and the sub-treasury scheme and the free and unlimited were nothing compared to prohibition.

The Baird Star has not corrected that misstatement about Senator B. F. Looney leading the fight against the newspapers in the shameful anti-pass amendment which cuts out legitimate newspaper contracts, though its attention has been repeatedly called to the matter. We thought Bro. Gilliland a broader gauged man than that would indicate Senator Looney was the leader in the Senate in trying to defeat this mean little piece of spite work on the part of the senators.—Taylor County News.

THE STAR made the correction as soon as possible after proof was furnished that we were mistaken as to Senator Looney, which was on Jany. 30th, the day before the above appeared in the News. The News, of course will make proper correction, as THE STAR had already made amends to Senator Looney by giving him a whole column for merely referring to him as one who favored barring newspaper contracts. However the News need not use this much space, as the editor of THE STAR is not running for office, but wants to keep the record straight.

Do It Now



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 thats 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.

Phone No. 4

McGOWEN BROS.,

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.

J. H. CALHOUN,
of Cisco.

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.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 3.

GEO. ANTHONY.

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
W. S. HINDS Assistant Cashier

The First National Bank of Baird
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.

TO THE FARMERS OF CALLAHAN CO.

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.

A Postscript Recommendation

By ELFRIEDA G. KENYON

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Elizabeth Chester was a tall brunette with clear skin and an abundance of brown hair. Dressed in a blue serge street suit and a blue turban that was wonderfully becoming, she was a figure to hold the gaze of even a casual observer.

To-night, as she stood in the private office of Hamilton & Brane, attorneys-at-law, the look of determination on her face added to her attractiveness. After a final inspection of her desk and typewriter, to see that both were in order for the following morning, she gathered up her gloves and purse and stood a moment gazing into space.

"It may as well be now as later," her thoughts ran; and as the younger member of the firm entered the office, she spoke:

"Mr. Brane."

Why he should turn so quickly as his name was spoken, he himself scarcely knew. Possibly the slight sharpness of the tone foretold a communication not pertaining to the routine work of the office. Elizabeth colored slightly as he looked at her, but recovering, she came directly to the statement which she had decided to make.

"Mr. Brane, I find that I must give up my position here. I tell you in time to procure some one in my stead. I should like to leave in two weeks. My work has been satisfactory?"

This last was with a questioning glance, although she was well aware of her worth to the firm. "May I ask you for a recommendation should I seek employment in another town?"

Mr. Harold Brane, noted for his quickness of mind and his ready reply, was, for once, silent. He could not grasp the full meaning at once. Miss Chester to leave and the Briggs case on hands for trial next month? Recommendation? Certainly she was worthy. But—And aloud the astonished lawyer stammered:

"You wish to resign? Why, Miss Chester! This is a surprise. Of course, of course, if you wish it. Yes, I will gladly recommend you. But why are you leaving? Your salary—"

"No," interrupted Elizabeth decidedly; "it is not a question of salary. My reason is personal. Please do not ask it."

The appealing look was sufficient for Mr. Brane. "I beg your pardon, Miss Chester, but we will find it hard to fill your place."

"I hope not," she returned and with "Good-night," she was gone.

"Folks, or something," muttered Brane as he saw her pass down the street. "I don't know who can equal her on that case, though."

The days following were busy ones in the office. Mr. Hamilton was out of town. It was a week after the interview with Miss Chester that Harold Brane found an opportunity to tell his senior of their stenographer's resignation.

"Resigned?" said Hamilton. "Why, man, she can't be spared. The Briggs case, you know. She understands it as no new person can in the short time. Say," suddenly, "you ask her to wait until that case is off. We'll pay her all right. You know how to do the talking."

Whether Brane knew how or not, that evening found him again in the private office facing Miss Chester, but this time he had the request to make. His frankness won his point, for although Miss Chester knew her worth, flattery did not influence her.

The days passed on as the days before had done but growing busier as the important case came on.

"Brane," said Hamilton two weeks after their last interview concerning Miss Chester, "we must get these statements off to-norrow. We ought to have them typed to-night.

Do you think Miss Chester will do it after supper? You ask her. You know how."

This was ever Hamilton's plea and again Mr. Brane had a request to make of his stenographer. Of late, Brane had been wondering why she wanted to quit and had concluded that "Miss Chester was deuced queer."

Elizabeth, always before willing to do the extra work, hesitated a moment when Brane asked about getting the work off that evening. "Perhaps I could bring the manuscripts over to you after supper and could also give you the dictation of these letters," he had said and was a little surprised at her reluctance.

"Well," she consented, "and maybe you can assist me in adjusting my machine at home; it is slightly out of repair."

Work increased and Elizabeth found herself working many evenings of the next fortnight. Mr. Hamilton puffed and perspired more than usual as the time for the Briggs case drew near. Mr. Brane grew tired and worn-looking as the work became heavier. Both were confident of winning; still a nervousness, the result of the continued strain, came over both on the day of the trial. But in the courtroom on familiar ground, the clear reasoning and well-known eloquence of the two lawyers won their case; and it was with a feeling of satisfaction that they reviewed the argument several nights later.

"By the way, Brane," said the senior partner, "Miss Chester leaves to-morrow, you know. I wrote the recommendation as you wished; you give it to her with the extra amount due on this case. We're sorry to lose her, really, and you tell her— you know how."

Yes, Harold Brane knew how for as the tension of work had loosened he had begun to realize just how "sorry" one member of the firm would be at the loss of the stenographer.

"I'll do it to-night," was his mental comment as he said aloud: "All right; I'll attend to it."

Several hours later as he stood before the mirror, he wondered why he could not decide on a tie. "The



Took the Envelope and Unfolded the Sheet It Contained.

dickens," he said, as he tied and retied, "I must be nervous from over-work." He was sure of it when he reached Miss Chester's home and confronted that lady herself as she smilingly bade him enter.

They talked of general things—of their travels, of books, and a very little of themselves until Harold brought him of his errand.

"The firm is very sorry to lose you, Miss Chester," he said; "Mr. Hamilton," with slight emphasis on the name, "has written your testimonial. Will you look it over, please."

The request to read struck Elizabeth as peculiar, but she took the envelope from Brane and unfolded the sheet it contained. Harold stood watching intently her expression as she read the commending words in Hamilton's business scrawl. Below in another scrawl she read the following: "But the junior member of the firm wishes to ask that

the above recommendation be unused for he needs her, not in her former capacity, but as a partner in life."

"Will you?" he asked as he leaned near her. "I love you, Elizabeth; don't leave me. Will you stay?" Her low "Yes" was unnecessary for her eyes had answered and Harold had his arms around her and had gently kissed the soft cheek.

Later—much later—as they sat side by side, Harold with his newly-acquired right asked: "Why were you going to leave the office, Elizabeth?" And Elizabeth's cheeks were red as she confessed: "For the same reason I am now going to stay."

PARADOXICAL.

The Drummer—"The price of writing paper has gone up."

The Merchant—"Why, I always thought it was stationery."

CITATION BY PUBLICATION.

THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County, Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon T. A. Blair, by making publication of this Citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not then in any newspaper published in the 42d Judicial District, but if there be no newspaper published in said Judicial District, then in a newspaper published in the nearest district to said 42d Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the County Court of Callahan County, to be holden at the Court House thereof, in the City of Baird, Texas, on the first Monday in March, 1908, the same being the 2d day of March 1908, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 6th day of Feby. 1908, in a suit, numbered on the Docket of said Court No 314 wherein C. H. Mahan is plaintiff and T. A. Blair, W. H. Hodges and L. N. Cantrell, are defendants, and said petition alleging that on the 19th day of September, 1907, for a valuable consideration these defendants made, executed and delivered to the plaintiff their promisory note for \$192.60 due December 1st after date, payable to the order of plaintiff at Baird, Texas, with 10 per cent interest per annum from date, and in event default is made in the payment at maturity and the note is placed in the hands of an attorney for collection or suit is brought on the same, then an additional amount of 10 per cent on the amount of the principal and interest of the note shall be added to same as collectors fees, (Meaning attorney fees) Plaintiff asks judgment for debt, collection fee (meaning attorney fees) interest, costs of suit and other relief.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness Geo. B. Scott, Clerk of the County Court Callahan County, Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Baird, this the 6th day of Feby. 1908.

10-4 GEO. B. SCOTT,

We are authorized to announce Geo. Anthony as a candidate for County Commissioner of Precinct No 3, Putnam Precinct. Personally we are not acquainted with Mr. Anthony, though he has lived in the county a long time, and those who know him say he is well qualified for the position and will make a good Commissioner if elected.

DEATHS.

Mrs. Nation, aged 60 years died at the home of her son, J. H. Nation, Monday. The remains were interred in the Baird cemetery.

Mrs. Ida Lou Lemmons died Sunday after a few days' illness. She leaves a husband and two children to mourn her death. The remains were interred in the Baird cemetery.

Mrs. Nancy Crowder, aged 79 years, mother of Mrs. Gabe Smartt, died at Admiral Thursday Jan. 31st. The body was shipped to Denton for burial.

Wil Franklin is helping in the Clyde bank this week.

"THE laurel tie was placed, amidst ringing cheers. The golden spike was set. The trans-American telegraph wire was adjusted. Amid breathless silence the silver hammer was lifted, poised, dropped, giving the gentle tap that ticked the news to all the world. Then, blown on blow, Gov. Stanford sent the spike to place. A storm of wild huzzas burst forth; desert, rock and sand, plain and mountain, echoed the conquest of their terrors. The two engines moved up, touched noses, and each in turn crossed the magic tie. America was belted! The great Iron Way was finished."

This is the Closing Paragraph in the Great Serial Story

THE IRON WAY

By SARAH PRATT CARR

While it is a graphic and absorbing story of the building of the Central Pacific Railroad, it is, above all else, a charming and captivating western romance.

The San Francisco Argonaut Says:

"THE IRON WAY" is a faithful picture of the true birth of California and of the vast constructive and transportation work that actually made it one of the States of the Union. But there is no ostentatious display of history. This is not a 'book with a purpose.' It is a frank and altogether charming bit of fiction, based upon actual historical deeds and upon the men that wrought them. . . . Incident follows incident with startling rapidity, and we have a re-creation of the stirring days when California was new-born and the great railway was the sustaining

artery of her life . . . There are no psychological problems in this story. Amid tense human activities there is no room for such problems, which grow only from the soil of human idleness and luxury. It is fresh, natural, breezy from start to finish, a story to read and a story to remember."

The Salt Lake Tribune Says:

"There is a very winning romance running through this story, if indeed romance is not the main feature of the book and the railroad story the framework upon which the romance is woven. It is altogether a delightful novel, one of hearty, fine imagination, and full of action."

You Will Not Want to Miss the Opening Chapters, Which Will Appear in This Paper in a Few Days.

Dr. E. P. Poindexter, of Eskota, is in town.

Dick Price, Public Weigher, is laid up with la grippe and neuralgia

Judge W. H. Chett, while in Ft. Worth last week visited relatives in Hill County before his return.

Rev. R. G. Mood, Commissioner of Education for the Methodist Church in Texas, will preach at the Methodist Church in Baird, Sunday Feb. 16th both morning and night. Everybody invited to come and hear his him.

Dr. H. H. Ramsey and a Mr. Parks, a car repairer on the T. & P. pulled off a pugilistic bout on Market Street yesterday. Damage not serious on either side.

B. N. Leonard was in town this week shaking hands with his old friends. He has been at Shreveport La., for quite a while, but the telegraphers strike let him out and he is now at Fort Worth.

In Hands of Receiver.

The of R. B. Spencer & Co., one of the largest lumber firms in the state with headquarters at Dublin, Texas went into the hands of a receiver Tuesday. Assets nine hundred thousand dollars, and liabilities two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars. The company has a yard at Baird, E. M. Faust, Mgr. Mr. Faust says the Baird yard is in good shape and owes but a very small amount and does not believe that the yard here will be effected. The trouble all grew out of a difference between two of the principal stockholders, which members of the firm tried in vain for two weeks to reconcile, which finally ended in a suit for a receivership.

Notice, O. E. S.

Next Tuesday, Feb. 11th is regular meeting night of Callahan Chapter No. 242, O. E. S. A full attendance is desired.

MRS. KATE RAMSEY, W. M. Dee Davis, Secy.

The School Case.

The case on rehearing in 2nd District Supreme Court at Fort Worth was heard on Monday, Jan. 27. Judge W. H. Cliett for Plaintiffs and F. S. Bell for Defendants. No decision has been rendered up to date.

Special School Election.

The following is the vote on the 20 cent tax last Saturday for the Baird Independent School District.

For the tax	78
Against "	20

Majority 58

The vote was light as it was generally conceded that the tax would carry.

This tax will be collected only in the event that the Supreme Court holds the former tax illegal. This was done to prevent the school being left without any maintenance tax but neither tax can be collected until the present suit is decided.

Judge T. A. Bledso, of Abilene, spent last Thursday in town.

Our old friend Jack Eastham, of Admiral, came in Tuesday and squared up all arrears on subscription, paid a year in advance for himself, and for the boys in Okla.

BORN—To Mr. and Mrs. Sam Seay, of San Angelo, Texas, on Jan. 21, 1908, a boy.

**CROP STATISTICS,
FARMERS' PROTEST.**

Austin, Tex.,—Rather pertinent are the questions which J. A. Henson, a farmer of Kemp, Texas, has asked the commissioner of Agriculture, and his letter to the agricultural department brings out some points in the act of the last legislature which are worth considering. With reference to the compilation by the state department of statistics on crops, he suggests that the farmers' business is already too much known by gamblers and speculators for the good of the farmers of the country, many of whom voice his sentiments.

He says he fails to see where the statistics called for will be of assistance to any save the gambler, and that many of the farmers have determined not to furnish these statistics until shown where the state will benefit by them.

Mr. Henson fails to see where these statistics will benefit him in marketing his crop, but to the contrary, will greatly assist the speculators by letting them know all about the farmers crops just at the time when it will be most useful to them to beat down the price of these products. He concludes with the suggestion that more light be thrown upon the matter and unless such is done that many of the farmers will refuse positively to give the desired statistics, which, of course, would leave only a partial report, which will be of little consequence.

Colonel R. T. Milner, commissioner of Agriculture, answers this communication as follows:

"I am surprised at the attitude you take toward these statistics. You seem to recognize that they are of value to the speculator and gambler, but fail to see how they can be of value to the farmers. All legitimate prices are regulated by the law of supply and demand. The farmer has it in his power to regulate the supply of his products. But he cannot directly influence the demand. It is plain that the farmer should be well informed on the subject of supply. How can he inform himself without trustworthy statistics? The speculator even now collects these statistics concerning farmers' crops. He needs them in his business, and naturally makes the farmer pay for them. So long as the farmer foots his bills without getting any of the benefits from the information, the speculator naturally has everything his own way in large profits.

"The work that the state proposes to do for the farmers will not give the speculator any new information, but this information will henceforth be placed in the hands of the farmers and thus enable them to base their conclusions upon plain facts. The speculators will, of course, attempt to discredit statistics collected by the state when these do not suit their purposes. An example of this kind is furnished by the course pursued by Theodore Price, who has from one to a dozen correspondents in every cotton-growing county in the United States and who spends hundreds of thousands of dollars for this work. What would the farmer do in the face of such stupendous operations if it were not for the national ginners' report of the cotton actually ginned? There is no safer check upon the speculator than accurate information in the hands of the producer. And the state now proposes that the farmer shall have the same information that the speculator has had all along.

"What show has the Farmers' union, the Southern Cotton association or any other organizations of farmers in regulating intelligently the prices of their products when they do not know what supply of

that product is at their disposal or what is its relation to the demand for that product? The present holding movement of cotton would appear extremely foolish were it not founded upon the fact that the supply of cotton is far short of the demand.

"How is the farmer to obtain a fair price for the products he has for sale when he knows absolutely nothing of the supply, and when the buyer, on the other hand, is well informed both as to the supply and the demand?

"Instead of benefiting futures the speculators and gamblers, reliable statistics will drive the speculator out of business, far when the facts are known to all parties there is no room for speculation. The only valid objection that can be raised against the law passed by the Thirtieth legislature is its incompleteness. For instance, provision should have been made for returning the statistics earlier in the season.

"Accurate statistics in regard to the production and consumption of the different crops in the several counties in this state would spring some interesting surprises on the farmers of this state and would stimulate diversification or an intelligent desire to live at home as nothing else could.

"Had the farmers of the South been in possession of all the facts this season pertaining to cotton, the amount produced, the world's demand for cotton and the vast difference between the amount produced and the demand—no other argument would have been necessary to create a holding movement that would have forced every bear off the market. As it is, many farmers have sacrificed their cotton at much less than its real value, thus playing into the hands of the speculators, who were in possession of the facts. If the speculators have bought cotton at only \$6 per bale less than its real value, on 5,000,000 they have pocketed a clean net profit of \$25,000,000. Out of this they could spend 1,000,000 for statistics and never miss it. The farmers can never grapple with the markets of the world until they are clothed with all the facts that govern prices, and as they are individually unable to get these facts, they should demand them from duly authorized agencies of the government.

Day of Publication Changed.

Necessity compels us to change day of publication from Thursday to Friday of each week. We will go to press on Thursday evening as usual, but paper will not be mailed at Baird until Friday morning. Advertisers who wait until day of publication to get in or change ads, which has heretofore caused most of the delay, will be too late for the current week. THE STAR is coming out on time hereafter, barring accident to plant or sickness of the force. We will not guarantee to publish, in the current issue, any advertising matter received after 12 M, Thursday of each week.

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.

T. P. Bearden, of Thurber, was here Monday.

S. P. Horton has resigned his position with Wristen & Johnson and will move back to Eastland.

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THE STATE OF TEXAS.

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Herein Fail Not, but have you before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, Geo. B. Scott, Clerk of the County Court of Callahan Co. Texas.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Baird, Texas, this 5th day of Feby. 1908.
Geo. B. Scott,
Clerk Co. Court Callahan Co. Texas.

Judge J. H. Calhoun, of Cisco, announces this week as a candidate for District Judge, position he now holds. Judge Calhoun was appointed to fill out the unexpired term of Judge Lindsey and at the next election he was elected for four years. Judge Calhoun is one of the oldest practitioners in the District and is well and favorably known all over the District. Judge Calhoun is an honest, conscientious man and an upright Judge. See announcement.

Use Electric Lights

Have your house lighted by Electricity, which is the cleanest, safest and most efficient light in the world. No lamps to clean and fill, no smoke and smut and no danger of oil explosions which you read of every day. You carry insurance for safety. Why not use an electric light and add to your security, it costs but little more than oil and lamps. There is no comparison in the light and conveniences. Have a light in all parts of the house without having to strike matches and carry lamps from place to place. We will wire your house for a reasonable price, or you can hire some one else to do your wiring and we will tie you on free of cost. We now have an up to date plant, which is just finished and we are giving our customers good service. Try electric lights and you will always like them. We furnish lights on meters and flat rates. Let us have your lighting.

10 F. & M. GIN & LT. Co.
V. F. JONES, P. H. CROOK, Mgrs.

J. M. Cooper and wife of Cottonwood, were here Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Sallie Day of Eastland, is visiting her brother A. R. Day and family.

The Iron Way

"The Iron Way" presents a faithful picture of stirring times which it describes, of the trials, disappointments, failures and successes of the "big four" of the plot and counterplot in the struggle to make California an integral part of the Union, in fact as well as in name. The love episodes and romantic incidents are interwoven in the story with a skill that shows the author to be a real master of literary style.

Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

**THE
IRON
WAY**

By
SARAH PRATT CARR

"The Iron Way" is one of the strongest stories of the times of the California growth that has ever been written. — Fort Worth Telegram.

"The Iron Way" a lively, hustling story, full of action, fitting the time and blending it and fiction delectably. — Detroit Free Press.

You will find this remarkable story of the West a rare treat; one that is not only worth reading, but one that is worth remembering. It is a story that has made a sensation in the literary world and with reason; a story in which is combined a stirring and important incident in American history and the most pleasing romance.

You Will Find in This Issue
the Opening Chapters of

The Iron Way

The School Board.

The Board met last night to consider the proposition to close the Public Schools unless some plan could be devised to raise the balance of the money needed to pay the incidental expenses of the school. As before explained these expenses, wood, rent, repairs etc, were to have been paid out of the special fund, but the suit against the district has prevented the collection of this tax and for the first time in years Baird has no funds to meet necessary expenses in running the schools. To meet these expenses the trustees appealed to the patrons of the school to pay one dollar per scholar. Out of 325 children attending the Public School 185 have paid and 140 have not. Had every one paid the one dollar asked it would have lacked a small amount of paying expenses but the trustees could have raised that. As the matter now stands \$175 besides \$185 raised is needed to run the schools to March 20 when the money for teachers will be exhausted and the schools will close unless some plan can be devised to raise money to pay the teachers after that date. As the trustees had such a hard time raising the small amount necessary to pay incidental expenses they feel that it is useless to ask anything to pay the teachers after the state and county money is exhausted and the school will close about March 20 unless the case against the district is decided by that time, which the trustees do not expect, because no matter which way the Ft. Worth court decides the case it will go to the Supreme Court.

While the trustees are up against a hard proposition about raising money to pay incidental expenses they have made arrangements to run the school until March 20 as they do not think it best to close the school now. After considering the matter the trustees decided it best not to publish the names of those who paid the one dollar assessment, but in all probability this will be done in connection with the treasurers report at end of the term.

Fancy line of Valentines at Powell & Powells. 10-1f

Mrs. Jno. Morrow and children are visiting in Gorman.

Dr. Ramsey has returned from Dallas.

R. E. Nunnally got a cinder in his eye Sunday and had to lay off one trip on account of the injured eye.

Joe Shackelford, of Putnam, was town Saturday.

Master Paul Quinn, son of J. O. Quinn, fell from the roof of a barn last Friday and broke his leg. Drs. Tisdale and Powell set the limb and the little fellow is doing fairly well.

Chautauqua Lot Sale.

Quite a number of eastern capitalists headed by E. P. Turner, General Passenger agent of the T & Col. Campbell of the Chautauqua Co arrived in Baird Tuesday to attend the sale of Chautauqua (Vigo) yesterday a number of Baird people were to the sale.

Hon. S. Frank Russell town Tuesday with a bale of for the gin. Mr. Russell sincere regret of all his friends decided that it is impossible financial reasons, to make the See his letter elsewhere. The needs just such fearless as spoken men as Mr. Russell public service but, the small of a member of the leg practically bars out the very of men whom the state needs that is men who are not prof politicians.

NOTICE.

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

When you see Powell think of drugs. 10-1f

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

This is to remind you that we have removed our banking office to our new building, and we extend you a cordial invitation to come and see us, and let us show you around.

HOME NATIONAL BANK

T. & P. R'y SCHEDULE.

EAST BOUND

Arrives.
No. 4. Through train, Mail. 11:15 a. m.
No. 6. Mail 12:50 a. m.
No. 8. Ft Worth local, no mail 9:45 a. m.

WEST BOUND.

Arrives.
No. 5. Toyah local, mail. . . . 4:10 a. m.
No. 7. Sweetwater local, mail. 4:00 p. m.
No. 3. Through train, no mail 6:30 p. m.
J. B. HARMON, Agent.

About Subscriptions.

PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Lowery Blakely were in town Friday.

C. C. Edwards, of Abilene, was in town Wednesday.

Miss Maude and Ermine Wilson left last Friday for Dallas, where they will enter Ursaline Academy.

Miss Eva Gilliland has returned from a visit to her aunt, Mrs. H. McWhorter on the Bayou.

Lane Barton, formerly of this county, but now living at Seminole, Texas, was here last Friday on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown, who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Abbott, returned to Abilene Tuesday.

Miss Anna Bauman, who has been spending some time with her mother here left last Tuesday for Roswell, N. M., where she has some land interests.

Mrs. Will Vaughn, who has been visiting relatives here left Tuesday for Big Springs to spend several days before returning to Fort Worth.

Ed Summers has returned from Oklahoma where he was called by the illness of his sister, Mrs. Mattie Hall. Mrs. Hall is better and her many friends here hope she will soon be well again.

Mrs. Nannie Keesy, of Fort Davis, President of the Rebekah Assembly of Texas, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. H. Schwartz several days the first of the week. Mrs. Keesy, Mr. Schwartz and Miss Lillian Schwartz attended the meeting of the Rebekahs at Abilene Monday night.

Chas. Ruhrop, engineer, who has been running west from Big Springs for sometime, is now running into Baird.

Little Clyde Griffith, granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hamilton, fell yesterday evening while playing out in the yard and broke her left arm. Drs. Powell and Tisdale set the arm and the little one is resting very well this morning.

Program B. Y. P. U.

Sunday, Feb. 9, 1908.
Devotional exercises conducted by C. B. Holmes
Lesson Subject, Christian Conduct Titus 1:1-2 and 11-15.
Leader—Miss Lillian Frazer.
Paper—Christian Conduct—Miss Louie Surlis.
Reading—How to regulate our conduct—Miss Mattie Lovvorn.
Talk—When is Conscience an infallible guide?—Dee Davis.
Reading—Importance of Conduct—Miss Lillian Coffman.
Talk—The Will as the Enabling Power—M. W. Uzzell.
Business Meeting.
Benediction.

The Prayer Meeting

Lest the impression should go out that there is nothing doing in Baird except entertaining at Forty-Two, he it know that there is a helpful prayer-meeting every Wednesday night at the Baptist Church. Last night the following persons were present and took part in the service. Mesdames W. D. Boydston, M. Dawkins, T. B. Emmons, C. L. Hillswick, Beulah Faulkner, Fannie WiesJahn, J. M. Joiner. Misses Frenchie Emmons, Louie Surlis, Katie Lee Surlis, Ada Cooke, Lizzie Russell Jennie B. Bonham, Pearl Birmingham, Jeffie Lambert, Cookie Work, Maunie Work Marguerite Byrd. Messrs M. W. Uzzell, W. B. Joiner, C. B. Holmes, J. Y. Amacker, Raleigh Lambert and J. M. Joiner.

All are cordially invited.

WARNING TO NEWSPAPERS.

Many Have Unwittingly Violated the Federal Anti-lottery Law.

During the past year or two many of the publishers of weekly newspapers in South Dakota as well as others states, says a Sioux Falls special to the Sioux City (Ia.) Journal, have grown somewhat careless in regard to printing advertisements or articles concerning the giving away of prizes by business men, church societies or other bodies as the result of guessing contests.

Unwittingly the newspapers alluded to have assisted in breaking the postal laws prohibiting the circulation through the mails of lottery schemes. A few days ago Postmaster Dobson of Alexandria, S. D., had his attention called to a weekly newspaper which contained articles in reference to guessing contests, the "holder of the lucky number" and other similar propositions, and to definitely determine whether or not these came under the government definition of a lottery scheme he sent a copy of one of the advertisements to the department at Washington and requested an opinion as to whether the paper containing

the advertisement was entitled to mailing privileges.

Postmaster Dobson now has received a reply from the postoffice department officials, whose ruling is in substance to the effect that to all intents and purposes the advertisements was exploiting a lottery scheme and that the newspapers publishing the same or similar advertisements were not entitled to mailing privileges under the postal laws of the United States.

In view of this ruling, newspaper publishers will exercise more care in future and not publish anything to guessing contests or any other propositions wherein there is the slightest suspicion of a lottery chance scheme.

This is the reason THE STAR cannot even mention lot drawings or anything of the kind. [EDITOR]

Miss Jennie Harris, of A. M. in town Tuesday.

Mrs. P. Houston of Vigo, was in the city Monday.

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.

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.



SPECIAL MESSAGE SENT

President Transmits to the Nation's Lawmakers

NUMBER OF SUGGESTIONS.

Reenactment of the Employers' Liability Act, Modification of Injunction, More Effective Control of Public Carriers and Other Recommendations.

Washington, Jan. 31.—In a message sent in to the senate and house President Roosevelt deals with the recent decision of the United States supreme court in regard to the employes' liability act. He says:

"The experience of the interstate commerce commission and of the department of justice in enforcing the interstate commerce and antitrust laws, and the gravely significant attitude toward the law and its administration recently adopted by certain heads of great corporations, render it desirable that there should be additional legislation as regards certain of the relations between labor and capital, and between the great corporations and the public.

"The supreme court has decided the employes' liability law to be unconstitutional because its terms apply to employes engaged wholly in intrastate commerce as well as to employes engaged in interstate commerce. By a substantial majority the court holds that the congress has power to deal with the question in so far as interstate commerce is concerned.

"As regards the employers' liability law, I advocate its immediate reenactment, limiting its scope so that it shall apply only to the class of cases as to which the court says it can constitutionally apply, but strengthening its provisions within this scope. Interstate employment being thus covered by an adequate national law, the field of intrastate employment will be left to the action of the several states. With this clear definition of responsibility the states will undoubtedly give to the performance of their duty within their field the consideration the subject demands.

"I also very urgently advise that a comprehensive act be passed providing for compensation by the government to all employes injured in the government service. Under the present law an injured workman in the employment of the government has no remedy, and the entire burden of the accident falls on the helpless man, his wife, and his young children. This is an outrage. It is a matter of humiliation to the nation that there should not be on our statute books provision to meet and partially to atone for cruel misfortune when it comes upon a man through no fault of his own while faithfully serving the public. In no other prominent industrial country in the world could such gross injustice occur; for almost all civilized nations have enacted legislation embodying the complete recognition of the principle which places the entire trade risk for industrial accidents (excluding, of course, accidents due to willful misconduct by the employe) on the industry as represented by the employer, which in this case is the government. In all these countries the principle applies to the government just as much as to the private employer. Under no circumstances should the injured employe or his surviving dependents be required to bring suit against the government, nor should there be the requirement that in order to insure recovery negligence in some form on the part of the government should be shown. Our proposition is not to confer a right of action upon the government employe, but to secure him suitable provision against injuries received in the course of his employment. The burden of the trade risk should be placed upon the government. Exactly as the workman is entitled to his wages, so he should be entitled to indemnity for the injuries sustained in the natural course of his labor. The rates of compensation and the regulations for its payment should be specified in the law, and the machinery for determining the amount to be paid should in each case be provided in such manner that the employe is properly represented without expense to him. In other words, the compensation should be paid automatically, while the application of the law in the first instance should be vested in the department of commerce and labor. The law should apply to all laborers, mechanics, and other civilian employes of the government of the United States, including those in the service of the Panama canal commission and of their insular governments.

"The same broad principle which should apply to the government should ultimately be made applicable to all private employers. Where the nation has the power it should enact laws to this effect. Where the states alone have the power they should enact the laws.

"I again call your attention to the need of some action in connection with the abuse of injunctions in labor cases. As regards the rights and wrongs of labor and capital, from blacklisting to boycotting, the whole subject is covered in admirable fashion by the report of the anthracite coal commission, which report should serve as a chart for the guidance of both

legislative and executive officers. As regards injunctions, I can do little but what I have said in my last message to congress. Even though it were possible, I should consider it most unwise to abolish the use of the process of injunction. It is necessary in order that the courts may maintain their own dignity and in order that they may in effective manner check disorder and violence."

The president says it is all wrong to use the injunction to prevent proper action of labor organizations in their struggle to better themselves. He suggests reasonable notice be given the adverse party. Congress is urged to remedy the abuses.

THAW INSANE.

After Twenty-Five Hours Verdict Brought In.

New York, Feb. 1.—After having argued and balloted all night, the Thaw jury in the stuffy little room adjoining the chamber of the criminal branch of the supreme court, Saturday morning warmly welcomed release from confinement when shortly before 8 o'clock they were taken up town for breakfast. Several of the jurymen are well along in years and an all night session seemed to have gone badly with them. Their faces were drawn and tense, and good nature and the companionship which had been so noticeable in this jury ever since the panel was completed during the first week of the trial were gone. No report with any degree of authenticity filtered from the jury room Saturday morning and the opening of court at 10.30 o'clock was awaited with much anxiety.

Thaw, although going to bed late, was up with the gray dawn of morning, and to his keepers in the tombs expressed the hope that a verdict had been reached. He was thoroughly



HARRY KENDALL THAW.

confident on retiring Friday night that the rumor of the dividing of the jury 8 to 4 for acquittal on the ground of insanity was true, and he felt that the minority might be won over. Thaw seemed reconciled to the fact that the best he could hope for was a term of confinement in the asylum for the criminally insane. He was confident, however, and so was his attorneys, that he would be able to win his way out of the asylum in a short while, as the tests he stood last year when arraigned before the commission of lunacy was quite convincing as to his present ability to prove soundness of mind.

Baths, fresh air and breakfast worked a marked improvement in the condition of most of the jurors and when they returned to the criminal court room from a hotel at 10 o'clock all seemed physically fit to continue their deliberations for some time to come.

Thaw was taken from the prison to the courtroom at 10:30 o'clock, but no word at that time or for an hour thereafter came from the juryroom. Judge Dowling arrived at 11:35 o'clock and went to his chambers. Mrs. Evelyn Nesbit Thaw visited her husband during the morning and reported he was quite dejected over the outlook. Thaw is reported to have said: "I am afraid despite the vigilance of my counsel there are two or three men on the jury with innate prejudice against me. I have in mind one particular juror, whose name I will not mention, but no one who followed the trial with any degree of interest failed to notice the significant glances this juror exchanged with a member of the prosecution. This was especially noticeable at the close of Mr. Littleton's address."

Justice Dowling announced he would not send for the jury until he received some definite word from them.

The jury returned a verdict declaring Harry K. Thaw not guilty, on the ground of insanity, at the time he killed Stanford White. Justice Dowling ordered that he be committed to the asylum for the criminally insane at Mattewan for an indefinite period. Justice Dowling said he deemed Thaw's discharge to be dangerous to the public safety.

At the request of defendant's counsel Justice Dowling delayed execution of the order committing Thaw to the asylum until 3 o'clock, to allow counsel to confer as to whether a writ of habeas corpus would be sued out to have defendant's sanity tested by a commission before he was taken to Mattewan.

Thaw and his wife, the latter being the only member of his family present in courtroom when the jury returned

a verdict after a deliberation of twenty-five hours. Both seemed pleased and satisfied with the outcome of the case. Thaw stood and smilingly bowed his acknowledgments to the jurors as they filed one by one out of the box. District Attorney Jerome also seemed satisfied, as he contended ever since the crime was committed that Thaw medically, if not legally, was insane. Thaw's counsel thanked the jurors with a hearty hand shake for each one of the twelve.

Attorney Littleton filed an exception to Justice Dowling's decision in retaining Thaw in custody and committing him to the asylum. Only a few spectators were allowed to enter the courtroom when the jury reported. Justice Dowling warned them against any demonstration whatever, but despite this one young man broke into vociferous applause.

The foreman had just uttered the first words of the verdict, "not guilty," when the young man made the demonstration. He was fined \$25 for contempt of court.

When the news of the verdict was communicated to the prisoner's mother, who was waiting at her apartments in Hotel Lorraine, she said, "Thank God, my son is saved! I am perfectly satisfied."

Thaw was ordered taken to Mattewan at 4:25 o'clock.

AWFUL CYCLONE.

Sweeps With Terrific Speed In Part of Mississippi.

Jackson, Miss., Feb. 1.—A cyclone of terrific force passed a few miles below Hazelhurst, the county seat of Copiah county, and thirty-three miles south of this place, Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. An immense amount of property damage was done, and at least twelve persons lost their lives. Dwellings, farm houses, sawmills and cotton gins were destroyed in large numbers, and livestock suffered to a great degree. On several places nearly every head of stock was killed, and on some not one was left.

The storm came from the southwest, striking the Millsaps place, some twelve miles from Hazelhurst, where a large cotton gin was destroyed, several negroes badly hurt and a large number of stock killed.

Traveling in a northeasterly direction, the cyclone, blowing from a great revolving cloud, illuminated by a constant display of lightning, crossed the tracks of the Illinois Central railroad about three miles south of Hazelhurst, and limbs of trees several feet long, portions of destroyed buildings and other evidences of the storm's power were scattered from one end of the little city to the other during the passage of the storm, whose howling could be distinctly heard. Near where the railroad was crossed lived Mr. Ben Martin, a farmer, and he, his wife, brother and two children were instantly killed, as were also several negroes, whose names it has been impossible to obtain. Hazelhurst is the nearest town to the path of the cyclone. Messengers were rushed to town for doctors, and every one in the place went to the scene of the disaster.

Crossing the railroad, the storm continued its work of destruction. The storm here entered a thickly settled and prosperous section, and the property damage it did is almost incalculable. Striking the plantation of Mr. Bob Middleton, it completely wrecked his home, catching his family beneath the debris, fatally injuring him and breaking the back of one of the lady members of his family. Several of the negro tenants were injured, and one or two others in that locality killed. That neighborhood has also called for medical help.

Just below Hazelhurst snood a negro house in the path of the storm, and it was completely carried away, with the four negro children who were in it at the time, and no trace of either the house or its occupants has been found.

The following were reported among the dead: Mrs. Ben Martin and her four small children and Dave Martin. Fatally injured: Ben Martin and Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Maddox. Mrs. Maddox had her spinal column broken.

At Georgetown buildings were blown down and two sawmills were destroyed. Center Point reported much damage, but no loss of life.

Martinsville, which was just on the edge of the storm, escaped without serious damage.

Darkness settled down so quickly after the tornado that only an incomplete estimate of the destruction both to life and to property was obtained. Men in carriage drove through the district offering aid to the sufferers.

This is the fourth cyclone that has passed through this section in the past twenty-five years, the last one claiming about 100 victims.

SHOULD SAY.

Bryan Says Democrats Ought to Express Themselves.

Philadelphia, Feb. 4.—Hon. W. J. Bryan was entertained at luncheon at the Raquet club as the guest of Roland S. Morris, president of the Pennsylvania Democratic club.

About twenty persons were present.

Prior to going to the club, Mr. Bryan was asked by a reporter whether he was a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination. He dictated the following reply:

"If the voters of the Democratic party want another than myself nominated at Denver they ought to in-

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Bond & Lillard—case goods—per gallon.....	4.00
McBayer—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.

struct their delegates to that effect. If they want me nominated they ought to instruct their delegates for me."

DAVIE AND DASHIELL.

Former Becomes Secretary of State, Latter the Tax Commissioner.

Austin, Feb. 3.—An exchange has taken place in state offices that has caused quite a flurry. Captain Davie becomes secretary of state and Mr. Dashiell tax commissioner. In order to do this both gentlemen resigned their offices. The salary of secretary of state is \$2,000 per year; that of commissioner is \$2,500.

Odd Cause For Suit.

Fort Worth, Feb. 3.—M. R. Brigance brought suit in district court against the Northern Texas Traction company and Haggert Transfer company for \$8,000. He alleges someone threw a bundle of newspapers from an interurban car, striking him, causing him permanent injuries.

Judge Smith Passes Away.

Fort Worth, Jan. 31.—Judge Tillman Smith succumbed to a stroke of paralysis. In 1874 he was a member of the legislature from Grimes county serving in the house, and later was a senator. He has resided here since 1891.

Salaries Reduced For Soliciting.

New York, Feb. 1.—Six New York letter carriers had salaries reduced \$100 a year for soliciting Christmas and New Year's presents.

Haskell Not a Director.

Guthrie, Feb. 3.—Governor Haskell declines to serve as a director of the St. Louis and Oklahoma Southern railway.

Many Pension Bills Passed.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The house passed 288 pension bills Friday.

Needed the Year Around.

You needn't suffer with sick headaches, indigestion, constipation or any other trouble arising from disordered stomach, liver or bowels. Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin will cure you and keep you well. It is a wonderful laxative and regulator. It is safe and pleasant to take and should be in every American household. Tens of thousands already use it. 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.

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

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

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

When you want any kind of wall paper see Baird Drug Co. 6tf

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

We notice in some exchange that the employes to the number of forty thousand, on one of the great railway systems of the country had agreed that not one of them would use intoxicating liquors, as a beverage, during 1908. This is the kind of prohibition THE STAR believes in, the kind that counts and does not violate the rights of any one. No man, be he anti or pro, wants to ride on a train run by a drunken crew, and if it is really true that these employes have made the agreement and will stick to it others will follow.

We noticed some years ago that a mining company in a western state, after a long series of accidents which they attributed to intoxication, issued an order that no miner should work for the company that used intoxicating liquors while on of duty. The result was that seven saloons in a town of 25,000 population had to close. This company did not say to its employes you shall not drink intoxicating liquors, but said if you do you cannot work for this company. We like the railroad employe's plan best, because they voluntarily agreed among themselves to abstain from the use of liquor for one year, though both plans are good. THE STAR has for more than 18 years refused to retain an employe who will get drunk. We do not say to them that you shall not drink, but we do say that if you get drunk your time is up with THE STAR. Some may consider this a strange thing for an anti to do. Not at all. Experience has proven to us that we cannot depend upon a printer who will get drunk, because nine times out of ten he will get drunk when we need his services most. We have fired more printers for this than for all other causes. We do not believe in a prohibition law that says you shall not drink, or you shall not get drunk; but we do believe in the kind of prohibition that a man will adopt himself. He don't say to the other fellow, "I will make a law to keep you sober; but says 'I will keep sober, I will not use intoxicating liquor. This is the kind of temperance that is worth something; but most pro's prefer to stop the other fellow.

PAY UP.

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.

Clement & Price appreciate your grocery trade. 45

KING AND PRINCE SLAIN.

Portugal's Ruler and Oldest Son Are Assassinated.

KILLED IN ROYAL VEHICLE

While Returning With Queen Amelia and Younger Child to the Palace at Lisbon Each of the Two Victims Are Shot Three Times.

Lisbon, Feb. 3.—While the royal family was returning in a carriage from a trip in the country a band of men sprang upon them Saturday at a street crossing. The king and crown prince were each shot three times, both soon dying at the arsenal, where they were taken. Carbines were the weapons used. The king's second son, Emanuel, was wounded twice. Queen Amelle threw herself in front of the crown prince in an effort to save his life. She was unhurt. Police guards fired on the assassins, killing two and seizing the same number. One suicided in prison.

Great excitement prevailed here and all over Portugal at the horrible deeds.



KING CARLOS OF PORTUGAL.

Business houses and residences at Lisbon were at once barricaded.

All Portugal is overwhelmed at the killing of the king and crown prince. Though torn by internal dissensions the past few months, terrorized by acts of crime and bloodshed, uprisings in the streets, outrages with knife and bomb and always fearful lest these signs of revolution would culminate in some dreadful outbursts of passion, Portugal was not prepared for the blow that fell when the king and prince were shot to death in a public place where thousands had gathered to greet their home-coming.

All Saturday night Queen Amelle, in the royal palace sat between the biers where rested the bodies of her husband and her oldest son, prostrated with grief. Troops guarded the palace, a troop of calvary surrounded the house in which Premier Franco passed the night; special details were dawn up before public buildings and reserves were quartered at the barracks ready for a call that might come to spring to arms.

Premier Franco announced his intention to adopt the most rigorous measures to crush any possible insurrection.

The army and navy have sworn allegiance to Manuel as well as all the garrisons and naval stations, and the new king has confirmed the dictatorship.

The Republicans disclaim responsibility for the assassinations, which they lay at the doors of the anarchists, but the identification of a dead regicide as a cavalry sergeant is accepted by many officials as proof that the assassinations were the work of revolutionaries who had successfully spread the propoganda, smuggled in arms and bombs, and who, headed by prominent Republicans, plotted to proclaim a republic a fortnight ago. It is also recalled that it was officially given out by the police that an elaborate plot had been prepared for an uprising on Jan. 31, the anniversary of the revolt at Oporto, the plot including the assassination of Franco during the night, a general uprising at daybreak, the cutting of all wires and also the seizure of the reins of government.

While the bodies of the slain monarch and the crown prince rested on their biers in the royal palace, surrounded by a guard of honor, Prince Manuel, yet in his teens, was solemnly proclaimed king by the council of state. His proclamation, swearing to promote the good of the fatherland and the integrity of the kingdom, was read to the people. His title is Manuel II.

Swindled Man Suicides.

Jersey City, N. J., Feb. 3.—Joseph Muller of Bradford, Pa., swindled out of \$300 here by sharpers, shot himself to death.

A. Alexander Passes Away.

Waco, Feb. 4.—A. Alexander, tiler of the Masonic grand lodge, a Mason forty years, a leading Hebrew citizen and ex-Confederate soldier, is dead.

Justice Wilkes Dead.

Pulaski, Tenn., Feb. 4.—Associate Justice J. S. Wilkes of the state su-

preme court is dead, aged sixty-seven years.

Postmaster Barton Dies.

Terrell, Tex., Feb. 4.—F. M. Barton, postmaster since 1898, is dead, aged fifty-seven years.

Young Business Man Passes Away.

Denison, Jan. 31.—Henry Moore, a prominent young business man, is dead of pneumonia.

Largest Every Exported.

Buenos Ayres, Feb. 3.—Wheat exports from Argentina the past week were 5,948,000—the largest on record.

J. C. GOODE SHOT.

Taken to San Antonio, Where Death Soon Ensues.

San Antonio, Feb. 4.—J. C. Goode, a prominent lawyer and one of the leading citizens of Karnes City, who, two years ago shot and killed William Mayfield, a wealthy stockman of that place, and was last October acquitted on the ground of self-defense, was shot and fatally wounded at 10 o'clock Monday morning. Goode died in the Santa Rosa hospital in this city in the afternoon.

Gid Mayfield and Charles Mayfield were placed under arrest in Karnes City, charged with shooting Goode.

Attorney Goode was on his way to catch a train for Runge, where he had intended going on business. He was walking along the street in the direction of their allroad station when, it is alleged, the Mayfield boys drove up in a buggy and one of them fired upon the attorney. They were arrested by Deputy Sheriff Fred Seales of Karnes City.

The wounded man was attended at Karnes City by Dr. F. A. King, who advised that he be taken to San Antonio. Mr. Goode was placed aboard the train at Karnes City at 10:50. Accompanied by his brother, R. E. Goode, Mary Goode, a niece, and a friend named Poliacy, together with Dr. King, he arrived here at 1:40 p. m., and was immediately hurried to the Santa Rosa hospital in an ambulance which had been arranged for by Attorney A. W. Houston of this city, who defended Goode in the recent trial for the killing of Mayfield.

The only details about the shooting of Mr. Goode that could be obtained were given by his brother, R. E. Goode.

LOVE'S REQUIREMENTS.

Sworn Reports Must Be Made and Tax Paid.

Austin, Feb. 3.—Commissioner of Insurance and Banking Love has ruled that applications now pending before him for waivers of certain deposit features of Robertson law would not be acted upon until companies making such applications have made the sworn report of their gross premium receipts for 1907 to the department and have paid to the state treasurer gross premium receipts tax of 3 per cent as certified to the treasurer by commissioner; and that hereafter no similar application for waiver and no application for renewal of license will be entertained or taken up for consideration until report of gross premium receipts and the payment of the three per cent tax thereon for the year 1907 have been made by the applicant, in view of the fact that tax is due and payable whether license is renewed or not, and as the commissioner of insurance and banking has no power to issue a new certificate of authority until the tax is paid.

OPTION WITHDRAWN.

Deal For Ellis Plantation In Fort Bend County Is Off.

Austin, Jan. 31.—It is learned that the deal by which the state was to have acquired the Ellis plantation in Fort Bend county has fallen through. The heirs to the Ellis estate claim they considered the proposition to the state only as an option, and they now announce they have withdrawn the proposition to the state. The Ellis plantation consisted of a tract of 5,437 acres, and adjoined the Riddick and Sugarland plantations. The state was to have bought the plantation for \$160,000.

The failure of the state to secure this plantation will not affect the purchase of the Sugarland and Riddick plantations, as the contracts have been closed. The price paid for the Sugarland plantation was \$450,000 and for the Riddick plantation, \$40,000. Chairman Gill of the board of state penitentiaries was here in conference with Governor Campbell about the matter. It is the general impression the state can do nothing, as no contracts have been signed.

BIG PRAIRIE FIRE.

Hundreds of Thousands of Acres of Grass Are Burned Over.

Canyon City, Tex., Feb. 4.—Advices from Emma, Crosby county, say a prairie fire originated seven miles west of that place, a strong northwest wind prevailed, which finally changed to the north.

Hundreds of thousands of acres of grass have burned, the largest sufferers being Robertson & Scott and the Littlefield Cattle company. Stock farmers living south and

southwest of Emma have lost their entire crop of feedstuff.

At last account the fire was burning and traveling south at a rapid rate.

"OLE BLACK JOE" GONE.

Aged Negro Had Lived Remarkably Long and Interesting Life.

Greenville, Tex., Feb. 3.—Joe Daniels, 126 years old, died here. His age was certified to by his young mistress. He was born in South Carolina. He was taken to Florida when Spanish territory, captured by Indians, escaped, rejoined his master, Colonel Daniels, and brought to Texas when Mexican territory. He has lived in Texas ever since. He retained his mind and enjoyed telling anecdotes.

Die Few Hours Apart.

Fort Worth, Feb. 3.—K. K. Leggett, aged eighty-nine, and his wife, eighty-four, buried at Keller, near here, having died but a few hours apart. They had been married sixty-five years. Mrs. Leggett expressed the wish she would follow her husband in death, which wish was gratified.

Four More Clerks.

Fort Worth, Feb. 4.—The postoffice has been granted four more clerks.

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.

J. B. CUTBIRTH, Pres.
A. G. WEBB, Secy.

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,
Clyde, Texas.

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,

H. Schwartz

Baird, Texas

MOURNED AS DEAD. HE RETURNED HOME.

After having been mourned as dead for the past twenty-six years, Micheal Dugan, aged 51 years, of Baird, Texas, formerly of Cincinnati, returned to this city Sunday afternoon and surprised his numerous relatives who reside here.

Mr. Dugan on his arrival sent for his nephew, Micheal Keefe, former Clerk of the Board of Public Service. The two had a most friendly greeting in the Gibson House.

The man who had been mourned as dead for so many years was then taken to the home of his brother, Thomas Dugan, 1255 Richmond St. Mr. Keefe introduced Micheal as a friend from Baird Texas. Keefe then left the room.

In the meantime the brothers engaged in conversation. Thomas told his brother Micheal that he had a brother in Fort Worth but had not heard from him in years.

Micheal asked if there was a photo of the man in the house. Thomas replied in the affirmative, and the missing man was shown his own photo, taken twenty-eight years ago.

"Do you recognize it?" was asked Micheal Dugan.

"I do, and know the man well," he answered, and told who he was. The two exchanged affectionate greetings and both cried for joy.

Mr. Dugan of Texas is Superintendent of the Texas & Pacific Railroad shops in Baird, Texas. Since his departure from this city he has married and reared a large family. He will remain in the city about two weeks.

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

Mr. Miller, Moweauqua.

The best way to form an opinion about an article is to use it yourself, yet the testimony of others should carry much weight. M. H. Miller of Moweauqua, Ill., says that the only thing he knows of that will surely cure stomach trouble, indigestion and constipation is Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, the great herb laxative compound, which is safe and also pleasant to the taste. 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, Druggists, at 50c and \$1 a bottle.

Eagle Cove Locals.

Feb. 2.—The citizens of Eagle Cove met at the school house and voted unanimously against negro laborers being brought into this county. The way in which our cotton is being handled was also discussed. Brother Farmer it is up to us whether or not we will still allow our cotton bales cut and slashed as they are or stop it. I think we should call meetings at every school house in the South and discuss this subject. There is a meeting called at the school house at this place for Feb. 15th at 1 p. m. to discuss this matter. Everybody invited to attend.
C. G. R.

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 CUMMERY. 8-2



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 add next week, too busy to write an add this week.

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

Yours for business for 1908.

Wristen & Johnson

BAIRD, TEXAS

WALTER WHITLEY

General Contractor and Builder of all classes of Buildings Estimates and Designs Furnished. BAIRD, TEXAS

DAVIS CENTENNIAL.

Plans Under Way for Appropriate Celebration in June

Austin, Tex. Jan. 29.—(Special)—Plans are now already under way for a statewide observance of the centennial of Jefferson Davis, June 3 this year, and it is hoped that the date will be celebrated as a holiday throughout Texas and the South. At its meeting next next Friday night the Austin Business league directors are to take up the matter of a local celebration, and it is probable that an elaborate observance will be outlined.

The Daughters of the Confederacy have taken up the matter of observance of the day and will co-operate with others in securing a general celebration of the day. Davis was born June 3, 1808, and this year is his centennial, it was deemed proper to have a much more elaborate observance than heretofore.

We earnestly appeal to the camp Albert Sidney Johnston and to the business men of Baird to co-operate with the Daughters of the Confederacy to make this Centennial of the immortal Davis one of the grandest celebrations old Baird has ever seen. Mrs. M. J. WATHEN, Pres. Mrs. FRASER, Sec. John B. Gordon Chapter, U. D. C. Texas Division.

Miss Willie Chambliss and Miss Mary Hester who have been visiting Rev. Chambliss and family for some time, returned to Haskell Monday.

Up to a few years ago most of the preachers who were active in local option work would protest that they were not prohibitionists but local optionists. They denied that favored state prohibition, but did favor local option. THE STAR is not opposed to local option and believes it is a good thing for most all small towns, and if we lived in some of them would favor local option for that particular town, but we have always contended that one who favored local option for every town or locality without regard to local conditions are in fact prohibitionists. They were either deceived themselves or were attempting to deceive the public because there is no reason in advocating local option for every town and then oppose state prohibition. You will find all these strict local optionists for every county strictly in the fight for state prohibition. If prohibition was not for the best a few years ago why is it best now? Public sentiment was not so strong then for state prohibition but they think it strong enough to carry it is why it is best now. Is that the reason why the masque is not thrown off? Why did some of the leaders of the state prohibition movement so vehemently deny that they were for state prohibition? Somebody's political ducks will get killed in this fight that the erstwhile "local optionists" have inaugurated. The only way to force prohibition upon the larger cities and many counties in Texas is to call a state election and run it over the wet counties. Local option sentiment is thrown to the winds. It has served its day, we must have state wide prohibition a la Kansas and Oklahoma.

Miss Mable Daniel spent Saturday and Sunday with her parents in Ft. Worth.

DEAD LETTER LIST.

The following is a list of letter remaining unclaimed in the Post-office for the week ending Jan. 25, 1908. Parties calling for the same will please say advertised.

Gray Blount,
Mrs. Pink Boarder.
T. M. Denem.
H. G. Foster.
John Mitton
Otto Neumeyer
Fred Smith
T. E. Shaw.

The following list of letters unclaimed for week ending Feb. 1.

S. J. Bryson
Will Darwin
J. H. Jordon
Jennie Laudermilk
C. C. Prater.
J. V. McMANIS, P. M.

When you think of drugs see Powell. 10-tf

Weak and Sickly Women.

It is hard to estimate how many women owe their female troubles, general weakness, nervousness, sallow skin, etc., to constipation and indigestion, but doctors whose practice is among women say that 90 per cent. would be no exaggeration. It is well for them to know of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, which cures constipation, indigestion, sick headache, heart-burn, hot flashes, 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, Druggists, at 50c and \$1 a bottle.

Ed Dunlap has moved to his farm five miles north town.

Misses Francis Deal Scott and Julia Cooper of Cottonwood, came up to see the play Tuesday night.

Struck by Lightning.

Mrs. Nancy Cleary, of Brewers, N. C., suffered as if struck by lightning. She says: "I was almost paralyzed from the waist down, and my back hurt me constantly, from female troubles. I had headache, seemed always tired, and felt as if dying. I took Wine of Cardui, which cured me, and now I feel like a new person." Cardui relieves periodical pain, and makes sick women well. \$1.00 at drug stores.

Valentines all kinds see Powell, 10t

A Strange Story.

Mrs. Isaac W. Austill, of Chestnut Ridge, N. C., tells a strange story of great suffering. "I was in bad condition for months, but got no relief. My periods had stopped, all but the pain. After taking part of a bottle of Wine of Cardui, nature worked properly and without pain. I advise all suffering women to use Cardui." A pure specific remedy for women's ills. \$1.00 at druggists.

See Powell & Powell for Wall Paper. 10-tf

Get your Pencils, Tablets, Ink etc from Powell & Powell. 10-tf

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.

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE.

[REAL ESTATE.]

By Virtue of an Order of Sale issued out of the Honorable District Court of Callahan County, on the 20th day of Jany. A. D. 1908, in the case of H. W. Ross, Intervenor, versus J. T. Renfro and Oscar Renfro. No. 925, and to me, as Sheriff directed and delivered, I have levied upon this 4th, day of Feby. A. D. 1908, and will, between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on the first Tuesday in March A. D. 1908, it being the 3d, day of said month, at the Court House door of said Callahan County in the City of Baird, proceed to sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in hand, all the right, title and interest which J. T. Renfro and Oscar Renfro had on the 20th day of May A. D. 1908, or at any time thereafter, of, in and to the following described property, to-wit: Beginning at the N. W. cor of Robt. Henderson survey No. 852 a stake from which a P. O. 8 in diameter, brs. N. 24. E. 19 vrs. Thence south with west line of said Robt. Henderson survey 273 vrs. Thence west 80 vrs. Thence north 273 vrs. Thence east 80 vrs. to place of beginning containing 4 1-2 acres of land more or less. Said property being levied on as the property of J. T. Renfro and Oscar Renfro to satisfy a judgment amounting to \$411.50, in favor of H. W. Ross, Intervenor, and cost of suit. Given under my hand this 4th day of Feby. 1908.

T. A. IRVIN,
Sheriff Callahan County, Texas.
104-t

Fancy line of Valentines at Powell & Powells. 10-tf

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