

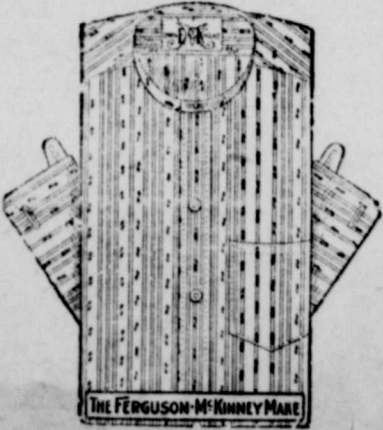
# The Cotulla Record.

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COTULLA, TEXAS, SATURDAY, APR. 20, 1907.

\$1 IN ADVANCE

All Kinds Mens Clothing.



## K. BURWELL.

DRY GOODS LEADER.

### What K. Burwell

Says in regard to a few articles that are so important in the make up of the ladies wardrobe.

**COLLARS,  
BELTS,  
GLOVES,  
VEILS,  
HOSIERY,  
SHOES.**

The very latest thing in ladies Collars is a White Linen Embroidered collar, height, 2 inches. We are showing a full line of these goods with an extensive line of chiffon lace and linen stock.

For dress wear, girdles with and without sashes are exceedingly popular. We are showing a beautiful line of sash ribbon and ready make girdles with and without sashes.

The extensive popularity of the long glove of every kind, and the extensive scarcity of them have brought about conflicting conditions which we are glad to say, we have been able to entirely overcome this season. We have now on hand a good line of both silk and lisle gloves in black and white at lower figures than they have been shown for some time.

### Ladies Underwear.



### In Shoes

We have the latest and best styles. We can fit you and please you in quality and price. Our low cuts in white, grey, blue and white, are the most up to date to be found.

We are showing also an extensive line of ladies tailored belts in all shades, including black and white.

We are showing hemstitched chiffon veils, length 3 yards, at \$2.00, together with a big line of fancy ready made and face veils, that are very popular.

This is the place to find the up to date hosiery in white, blue, grey, green, tan and black in gauze, lace, dropstitched and embroidered.



Boys Spring Clothing



### MAKES MILLIONS FOR RAILROADS.

#### CUTTING OFF OF PASSES INCREASES PASSENGER REVENUE WONDERFULLY.

Washington, April 17.—How much have the railroads saved in revenue by abolishing deadhead?

Nobody knows exactly, not even the railroads. All the same, it is certain that the passenger revenues have been wonderfully stimulated by doing away with passes. On the southwestern lines, for instance, it was admitted by Mr. Stubbs that 30,000 passengers formerly rode free every year as "land agents."

An official of the Pennsylvania road admits that 50,000 trip passes were formerly issued at Philadelphia every year, covering merely the eastern division of that system. The deadhead on other lines has included thousands of politicians, most of whom travel as much as formerly, but are now paying fare.

The last official figures secured by the Interstate commerce commission show the passenger revenues of all the roads in the United States as \$472,694,732.

One of the most important scalpers of the country once told the Interstate commerce commission that the deadhead and half fare business of the railroads, if done on a paying business, would add 25 per cent to the passenger revenues. This is probably an excessive estimate. On the other hand, Chas. Francis Adams, when president of the Union Pacific road, said that he could add 10 per cent to the passenger revenues if he could do away with passes.

Taking this latter estimate as a basis for calculation, the abolishing of deadheads should add \$4,726,947 to the passenger revenues of American roads. If the scalper's estimate was nearer the truth, the revenues may easily have been increased by \$8,000,000.

to \$10,000,000.

By far the greater increase in railroad revenues, however, during the current year will be from freights, which are no longer affected by rebates. This gain is somewhere between \$25,000,000 and \$50,000,000.—Gilson Gardner.

#### RETURNS AFTER FIFTEEN YEARS.

Santa Rosa, April 10.—Charles Gossage, whose wife died here 15 years ago, and who had been heard from by his two girls since that time, recently returned here. He found one of his girls, who was a baby when he left, had grown to womanhood, and had been making her home here with Mrs. Dryden on Boyce street. The father wrote to this city to locate his daughter, and she replied, sending him a blue bow to wear on his coat so she could recognize him when he arrived. When Gossage reached here the daughter greeted him, and saw his features for the first time since she was a babe in arms. She had no previous recollection of her father. Father and daughter have gone to Oakland to make a visit with the second daughter, who has been located there. This daughter was also an infant when her father departed from this city. He has offered no explanation of his strange disappearance.

#### Sermon to Graduates.

Rev. F. A. Barnes, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, will preach at eleven o'clock tomorrow morning. His sermon will be especially for the High School graduates, but everybody is cordially invited.

#### Corn Tasseling.

W. B. Guinn has 20 acres of corn three miles east of town that is beginning to silk and tassle. Mr. Guinn says if it rains in the next ten days he will make a good yield. This is the earliest corn we know of.

#### PRETTY CHURCH WEDDING.

At the Presbyterian Church at one-thirty o'clock Wednesday evening, April 17th, Miss Emma Rebecca Copp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Copp, and Mr. Henry Otto Fischer were united in the holy bonds of wedlock. Rev. F. A. Barnes officiating. It was the prettiest wedding Cotulla has known for a long time and the church was thronged with friends of the young couple.

The church was most beautifully decorated with white roses and oleanders and pot plants of ferns and geraniums. Promptly at one-thirty o'clock the bridal party entered the building, and to the sweet strains of the wedding march played by Miss Madie Daniel, the bride, on the arm of her father, preceded by the bridesmaid, Miss Edith Daniel, marched up the right aisle, while the bridegroom and best man, Mr. Eugene Bertani, came up the left. They met before the altar, and the bride was given away by her father.

The bride looked lovely in a gray cloth traveling suit with heliotrope trimmings. The bridesmaid was dressed in green mummy cloth with trimmings of white. The groom and best man wore conventional black.

After the ceremony the bridal party, accompanied by a large number of their young friends, at once took leave for the depot in order that Mr. and Mrs. Fischer might catch the 2 o'clock train for Laredo. Just before the train pulled out the young folks all became supplied with rice in some mysterious way, which was showered on the bride and groom until they were literally covered.

Mr. Fischer, who is a popular business man of Laredo, has won and taken to the beautiful home he has prepared for her in the Border City, one of Cotulla's fairest, loveliest and most highly accomplished daughters, and their legion of friends unite in wishing them unbounded hap-

ness and prosperity through life.

Mr. and Mrs. Fischer were the recipients of over one hundred presents, all of them beautiful and many of them costly. Some of the gifts came from San Antonio, Laredo, San Diego, Ft. Worth, Tyler, Boston, Mass., West Point, Miss., and England.

Mrs. Geo. Copp entertained at her home Wednesday evening from 3 to 6 and the array of presents were viewed by the many guests. Music, conversation, etc., were engaged in and a pleasant time spent by all present.

#### Young Man Dies.

Louie Vincent, aged 19 years died Monday evening at 6 o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Matt Russell. He was a victim of tuberculous. This young man came here a stranger about a month ago and appealed to Mr. Russell to let him go out on his farm, which he did.

About a couple of weeks ago he came in town and became too weak to return to the farm. Since then up to the time of his death Mrs. Russell tenderly cared and nursed him as she would her own son.

The young man stated that his parents were in poor circumstances and told Mr. Russell that unless money was sent here to ship his body home, to bury him here.

No word was received from his people so the remains were laid to rest in Cotulla cemetery. Wednesday evening.

LATER—Since the above was put in type the father of the deceased young man has arrived, and was heartbroken on account of not getting here before his son's death. He said as soon as he received his son's last letter telling him the end was near at hand, he left home for Texas, but arrived here too late.

Low excursion rates to the San Antonio Carnival.

#### LOCAL AND PERSONAL NOTES.

Cheap rates are on for the Carnival.

Chas. Clifton was in town Thursday from Encinal.

J. C. Poole returned Thursday from a brief trip to San Antonio.

Matthew Cartwright of Terrell, was here looking after his ranch interests this week.

Uncle Doc Barris says the rain Tuesday night was good in the neighborhood of Bill Jay's place.

Frank Chapman of Floresville is in the city prospecting. He is stopping with his cousin, Roland A. Gouger.

Mrs. T. C. Baker arrived Thursday from Springfield, Ill, and will spend several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Poole.

J. W. Fuller of Brunville was here Thursday for a few hours. Mr. Fuller recently took up four sections of school land in Webb county. He says it is pretty dry down there.

Jos. Cotulla Jr., tells us that he brought up 125 head of horses and mares from his father's Webb county ranch this week and turned them loose here. The shortage of water made it necessary to move them.

#### Rain Was Light.

The rain Tuesday night was very light all over Southwest Texas and no benefit will result from it. In the vicinity of Carrizo Springs the fall was about one and one half inches but it only covered a small area. The fall at Cotulla was about a quarter of an inch.

At the Dobie and Burke ranches in the Southeastern part of the county over half an inch fell. This following the heavy rain of two weeks ago in that section will do much good.

#### ONION MOVEMENT CHECKED BY RAIN

RUSH WILL BE ON RIGHT BY NEXT WEEK

Prices Holding Up and Growers Expect Advance A Little Later.

Although the rain Tuesday night did not amount to more than a quarter of an inch it had the effect of checking the movement of onions for a day or two. However work has been resumed and next week the rush will be on in full force.

A large number of growers who have not yet harvested any will get into their crop Monday. It is reported that the Laredo rush is practically over. The crop is nearly out, and there will be only fifty or more scattering cars.

The shortage of the Texas crop is causing prices to remain firm and some growers expect an advance as soon as the main rush is over.

The Association is getting out the bulk of stuff that is going from this station and by next week the growers should begin to get returns.

#### BUY LAND IN DIMMIT COUNTY

ED ENGLISH SELLS RANCH FOR \$10 PER ACRE.

Mathew Cartwright and associates of Terrell, Texas, have purchased the Ed English ranch in Dimmit County, consisting of 4000 acres. The price paid was \$40,000.00 cash. On the ranch are a number of flowing wells and several hundred acres in cultivation.

The new owners will stock the ranch with steers for the present.

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San Antonio has been a gala city this week.

The Thaw trial will all have to be gone over again.

What about a May-day picnic or barbeque?

The postage stamp bill of the legislature was \$2871.00.

Getting about the time of the year when fish-fries are in order.

Southwest Texas is still sending out fat cattle regardless of the dry weather.

The governor has been busy lately signing bills enacted by the law makers.

Won't it be good to look at? We mean that fine brick school house Cotulla will have, we hope, in the not distant future.

We hear considerable talk of rabid coyotes over the country, but so far have heard of no one being put a tree.

## THE RIGHT WAY TO DO BUSINESS.

The local paper has a great deal to do with the building up of a town or community and the business of the town and the progressiveness of the people is generally indicative by its appearance. In speaking of the patronage due the local paper Maxwell's Talesman says:

Quit once for all your efforts to patronize the local editor. Bring yourself to look upon his white space as the goods he has to sell, the value of which you yourself can determine by your efforts to make good use of it.

Convince your editor that you and your fellow merchants are looking to him to produce a good paper which the people of the neighborhood will want hard enough to take and pay for it.

Show him that you appreciate all efforts he puts forth to make his that kind of a paper. Help him to get as much of the local news as possible. Help him to increase his circulation—for example, by giving a year's subscription to his paper as a premium with cash purchases to a specified amount.

In thus helping your local editor, do not let yourself think that you are playing the part of a good Samaritan to him. It may be that he has declined more than one offer of advertising from retail mail order houses any one of which would have brought him more than all the merchants in town pay him in months—and with more or less grumbling at that.

Think of him only as an influential means through which to a large number of your customers you can have expressed facts and opinions of benefit to you, but which would lack weight coming from yourself.

For your own sake do all you can to build—as near to you as possible—the extent the

## UNEQUALED

The following guarantee should convince the most skeptical that you can depend upon the statements made in our advertising matter. You never before received such an absolute guarantee. We will pay railroad fare both ways, a prospective student upon arriving and entering our school for ten days does not find everything up to the standard advertised, and will make no charge for either books or tuition during the ten days, or if at any time during the course or at the completion of the course, a student will hand into the office a written statement showing where in we do not give entire satisfaction and make good a statement in our advertising matter, we will refund every cent of tuition paid. What could be fairer? We make this guarantee knowing that you know that a lot of so-called commercial school advertising a big capital stock and putting out a lot of statements that deceive the unsuspecting public. They even sell scholarships to many prospective students before they leave their home. Recently a man who purchased one of these scholarships came to our city and entered a school, found out he had been humbugged, and was so thoroughly disgusted that on the third day he came to our school to talk about enrolling with us. He carried with him a \$12.00 draft which the school had sent, stating that he would receive that amount as a discount, provided he would send cash for his scholarship before leaving home. Is that pretty good evidence that there is something wrong somewhere when a school goes to sending discounts for cash enrollment before the student leaves home. Look at the draft and the chances are

The Carnival will close in San Antonio today and then politics will occupy the center of the stage until after the city election.

The Southern part of Mexico received a severe earthquake jolt this week. Many people were killed and hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of property destroyed.

The onion crop of the Nueces Valley will turn out a better yield than was at first expected. The crop will not be more than twenty-five per cent short, and the big prices will more than make up for that.

The onion rush is on and there's something to do in Cotulla. Everybody is busy. The farms along the river are furnishing work for all the available wagons and teams hauling in their onions, and everybody that wants a job can get it.

Alpine had a disastrous fire Sunday night. Practically the entire business district was burned and the losses were heavy. Alpine was without water protection, the same as Cotulla, and like we hope that will never be our fate, should a fire break out the business section there would be no way to stop it. We had waterworks.

Here is something that is worth many dollars to every farmer to know: Sprinkle lime in your stock tank and not a particle of scum will form on the water. When the lime loses its strength scum will begin to form, which may be twice during the season, wash the tank and repeat the dose. It is cheap, not harmless but wholesome, keeps the water sweet and saves the live stock.

enable you to secure publication of such results.

One way—The country business man is rapidly coming to the conclusion that the best way to meet the competition of the city merchant and catalogue houses is to fight them with their own weapons. The day when a man can put in a stock of goods and sit down and wait for business is past. He has to hustle for it and advertise his goods in order that people know that he has what they want. The news this week turned out fifteen thousand circulars printed on both sides for one of our local firms, and these circulars were used to advertise simply two articles on which the firm makes a special effort. This same firm has built up an immense business of late and it has been done by systematic and judicious advertising. They advertise in and out of season and as a result they never have a dull spell. When things quiet down a trifle they advertise a little more and in this way keep things moving all the time.

He didn't have a dollar; he didn't have a dime. His clothes and shoes were looking just as though they'd served their time. He didn't try to kill himself to dodge misfortune's whacks. Instead, he got some ashes and he filled five dozen sacks. Then, next he begged a dollar. In the paper in the morn he advertised tin polish that would put the sun to scorn. He kept on advertising, and, just now, suffice to say, he's out in California at his cottage on the bay.

The irrigated farms along the Nueces distribute annually thousands of dollars among the laboring classes. Just now, while everything is on a stand-still on the dry land farms, owing to the scarcity of rain, in the vicinity of Cotulla the drought is scarcely felt, as the harvest of the onion crop is daily scattering hundreds of dollars among the working classes.

tuition back, while the one enrolls with us can get his money back at any time, if our work is not what we claim. If the student doubts our sincerity in this fare guarantee, we will deposit money in bank subject to his order before he leaves home.

Have you seen the pamphlet called the "Eye-Opener," or the "White Feather," circulated by a competitor? If so, and you believe there is a true statement in them, write us.

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## Remarkable Free Offer

Half Million Now Using Sal-Te-Na

The Mutual Drug Company of Cleveland, Ohio, have arranged with our local druggists to accept the TEN CENT COUPON printed below, the same as cash, in part payment for SAL-TE-NA, Effervescent Fruit Seltzer, their wonderful cure for Headaches and Constipation.

SAL-TE-NA is a safe, certain cure for these troubles and acts quickly. Take a dose of SAL-TE-NA before breakfast, and the bowels will move promptly in one hour. It doesn't gripe and is pleasant and agreeable to the most delicate stomach.

Children like to take it because it is pleasant to the taste and delightfully effervescent.

Every one of our readers should take advantage of the liberal offer of the Mutual Drug Company of using the 10 cent Coupon.

This offer is only for a limited time. The Coupon with 15 cents will pay for 25 cent bottle of SAL-TE-NA. Cut out the Coupon at once and present it to your nearest drug store.

Act at once.

**TEN CENT COUPON**

This Coupon, with 15 cents, will pay for a 25 cent bottle of

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Fixtures	3,000.00	Deposits	1,281,811.98
Cash	573,348.33		
	<b>\$1,704,916.87</b>		<b>\$1,704,916.87</b>

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**HOUSTON BUSINESS MEN  
OUT FOR BUSINESS AND  
A GOOD TIME.**

On Tuesday, 22nd, a special train containing about sixty representatives of the bankers, manufacturers and jobbers of Houston will start out for a five days' trip over the Gulf coast line to Brownsville, and back by Alice and other points on the San Antonio and Aransas Pass, traversing also part of the route on the Southern Pacific, the Cane Belt and the Santa Fe. The party will have a band, a dining car and baggage car, and a tourist car for the band and attendants.

On the first day, Monday, Alvin Algon, Anselton, Brazoria, Bay City, Palacios, Rockport, Gregory, Corpus Christi, will be visited with stops of a few minutes at any point where any body is to be found who may be induced to come to Houston to buy goods, and longer stops at the important towns.

The second day will take the party over the Gulf Coast Line from Sinton to Brownsville, with stops at intermediate points, and a trip to Mercedes, in the afternoon, and spending the evening there and in Matamoros.

The morning of the third day will see the party in Alice, and all points on the road to Beville will be visited. From Beville the party will go over the Southern Pacific to Cuero, thence over the San Antonio and Aransas Pass to Eagle Lake, then to Wharton, and to Houston.

This, the fifth, is the most extensive, as well as the most expensive trip yet undertaken. More than 1100 miles will be traversed in the five days. It will enable the Houston people on it to see a country new to them, and to come into closer touch with the people whom they sell goods to.

Some of the towns, as Beville, Goliad, Cuero, Victoria, Eagle Lake and Wharton have been visited before. Little time can be spent in them, but the Houston men wish to shake hands with their old friends as well as make new ones. The party anticipates the trip with great pleasure.

Nearly three-quarters of the meadowlark's food for the year is composed of insects, over 12 per cent is weed seeds, and 15 per cent is grain. However, an examination of the food by months shows that all of the grain that is eaten is gleaned from stubble fields in the months of January, February, March, April and December. After the month of May, when grain is ripening and is being harvested none is eaten by meadowlarks. The favorite food is insects, when they can be obtained; for six months of the year the amount being over 90 per cent and during August and September over 90 per cent. Even during the winter months, when insect life is dormant, the meadowlark finds enough that is hidden below the surface of the ground or secreted among the grass to furnish a very considerable portion of its diet. An examination of the table showing the actual kind of food found in the 238 stomachs gives further proof of the immense economic value of the meadowlark. Grasshoppers and crickets compose over 25 per cent of its food, while an equally large share is made up of beetles, among them weevils, curculio, and click-beetles, these latter during the larva stage being known as wireworms, when they often destroy seed before it has germinated thus ruining fields of corn and other grain at the outset. Meadowlarks also destroy outworn, army worms and numbers of the pest known as the chinch bug. This latter pest has destroyed in the United States during the last half century grain to the value of over \$330,000,000. In some of the southern states, notably in Georgia the meadowlark is called the wheat-bird, as it is claimed it destroys wheat; however, the scientific study of its food proves to be an unfounded and erroneous claim. Fortunately the meadowlark is protected by law in all parts of the country except the following states viz: Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee, Missouri and Idaho.

The agriculturists of these states should insist that this valuable bird be given absolute protection, for by doing so millions of insect pests will be destroyed daily, and hundreds of thousands of dollars will be saved which would otherwise be lost.

**GRAPES IN THE  
PECOS VALLEY**

The State Horticultural Society at its annual meeting at Jacksonville asked that an experiment station be established by the state at Pecos. It has been demonstrated already that no finer grapes can be grown in the United States than in the valley of Pecos in West Texas, and the lower part of New Mexico. For some reason not yet known, these grapes do not have the carrying qualities necessary for commercial shipping. The scientific study of the grape under the conditions prevailing there would doubtless show how this point might be remedied, and so a most profitable industry given to that section of the state. The Pecos country and the valley of the Rio Grande are a thousand miles nearer to market than California; so with grapes possessing all the fine qualities, to a greater degree even, of the best California varieties, the vineyard of West Texas would have a decided advantage. The state should encourage this industry.

**PRESERVED FIGS.**

Less than three weeks ago the J. C. Carpenter Fig Co., home office at Houston, issued their net wholesale price list, and already orders for more than ten thousand dollars have been looked for their goods for the coming season. This company, a strong one financially, will have in operation for the season six plants, at Houston, Aldine, Alvin, Algon, Friendswood and Alta Loma. At the first five points "Imperial" brand, skinless preserved figs are put up in individual glasses, in one and one and a half pound glasses, in standard and in gallon cans. At the last named plant "Seawall" brand figs with the skin on are put up. These orders are booked at higher prices than last year, and the demand will exceed the supply of these plants. The beginning of this rapidly growing industry was made in a small plant put up by J. C. Carpenter at Aldine in 1903. Now the company is the largest, and not the only company putting up preserved figs in the United States, if not in the world. They are making plans for extending their plants, and for the planting of larger orchards at new points. This industry of growing and preserving figs will become one of the important factors in fruit growing in the gulf coast country.

**FRUIT GROWING  
AT BEAUMONT.**

Thanks to the interest and foresight of the Board of Trade of Beaumont the growing of fruit, nuts, berries and truck is being encouraged in that section of East Texas. All that is needed is active interest, for the conditions for the successful growing of berries, peaches, figs, peaches, and oranges is beyond question. It is therefore, a decided step forward for this Board of Trade, under the leadership of an aggressive and wide-awake secretary, to encourage the planting of trees and the culture of fruit. The home market will consume all that may be grown for a long time to come, and this assures a profit to all who engage in the growing of fruit.

**FARMERS' UNION AND  
FRUIT ASSOCIATION**

The extension of the Farmers' Union is bringing about a closer union of men interested in fruit growing in the various parts of Texas. The fruit men are getting closer together in organizations dealing with this one interest alone.

**ANTI FREE PASS BILL.**

Free Pass Bill—Senate bill 8, by Looney, is the anti-free pass bill. Railway companies, interurban railway companies, all common carriers, express companies, sleeping car companies, telegraph and telephone companies are prohibited from transporting persons or property in consideration of anything except money. Special rates or rebates to any person when not

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- "Better Express Service," Theo. P. Thomas.
- "Undeveloped Resources," H. P. Attwater.
- "Marketing Figs," J. C. Carpenter.
- "What a Truckster Should Know," C. A. Walton.
- Prof. J. H. Connell and Director E. C. Green have not announced their subjects yet. Messrs. Wood, Stockwell, R. H. Bushway and W. Pirtle will discuss Satsuma oranges, Magnolia figs and strawberries and will give practical demonstrations in the field as to caring for these plants.

In addition to these names others will be added. The railroads will give reduced rates, and all visitors will be entertained by the fruit and truck growers of Alvin and Algon.

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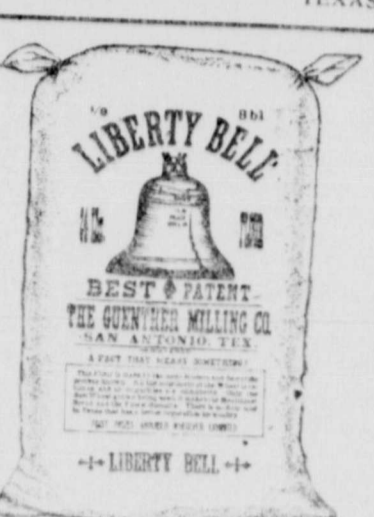
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**ALAMO MISSION WALLS TO BE PRESERVED.**

The Executive committee of the Daughters of the Republic in session at Houston, last week, sent out a statement relative to their intention in regard to the Alamo property.

The Church itself, of course, does not, and has not entered into the question. The walls of the convent known as the Hugo Schmeltzer building, the executive committee asserts that neither they nor the Daughters of the Republic have ever contemplated removing, and that no proposition has been made them that these walls be removed.

The approval of any plans as to the use of this property by the Daughters of the Republic who are constituted its custodians as intended by Miss Driscoll and provided for by the State in purchasing it, rests with the governor of the State.

The Executive committee has felt that the rental of the building should be kept for the payment of the debt due Miss Driscoll serves for taxes paid on the property by her, since this debt will soon be paid, and the Hugo Schmeltzer property soon removed, the executive committee is ready to receive any help in carrying out plans toward removing the new parts of the building and carrying out plans toward the resolutions unanimously adopted by the Daughters of the Republic in convention at La Grange, April, 20-21, 1905.

This resolution reads as does the deed to Clara Driscoll: "It is distinctly understood and agreed that this property is purchased by Clara Driscoll for the use and benefit of the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, and it is to be used by them for the purpose of making a park about the Alamo, and for no other purpose whatever."

not understand by parking the grounds that all walls are to be removed and that shrubbery and flower beds are to be planted, but that unsightly buildings may be removed and the old walls restored. The museum question has never been here discussed by the committee or the state convention. A museum can be built at any time and where it is deemed best. The important part is to give back to Texas as soon as possible the old walls as dear to every patriot, the people of Texas forever. In the doing of this the Daughters of the Republic ask the aid of the people of Texas.

Governor Campbell called the legislature to meet in special session ten minutes after adjournment sine die. Much needed legislation remains to be enacted; same platform demands are not carried out, and tax bills have not been passed. Governor Campbell is doing well to keep the legislature at its duties till these important matters are attended to. A great number of bills, in the main wise and good, have been enacted, but some important matters remain. The most important ones are those relating to court practice and taxation. The latter especially must be taken care of, nor will it prove an easy matter to enact a bill fair and satisfactory to all parts of the State. Thanks to Capt. McDonald's insistence upon the law in the matter of valuations tax matters and revenue are considerably simplified. Let all property be assessed at its full value, their let the rate be put only high enough to raise the revenue needed. No other way is fair and just to all property owners of the State. This puts the burden alike on all property at its value.

**ONE MAN PARTIES.**

(Nashville Banner.)

Mr. Bryan says in his Commoner "The Republican party is now in such straits that it has just one man whom it regards as popular enough to be the candidate for president. Is there any parallel history to a situation in which a party hinges its success on one man, and when that man is one who has had the courage to drop his own platform and adopt that of the opposition party?"

dent even more applicable to the Democratic party.

But, really, is not Mr. Bryan's criticism of the Republican party as having only one popular enough to be its candidate for president even more applicable to the Democratic party?

**THE NOISY ONE.**

Pecans are attracting much attention now, and many large groves are being planted. Among these are several thousand trees near Jeanerette, Louisiana, in which Mr. J. F. Jones is largely interested and manager.

J. O. Chenoweth, of St. Louis, Mo., has planted 1500 pecans near Santa Maria on the Rio Grande. He expects to plant 500 more trees. These trees are the best varieties. Also Mr. W. W. Candy of St. Louis will plant 100 acres in pecans at Santa Maria.

Habicht, Braun & Co., the pecan shellers of Chicago, have bought a tract of land in the Guadalupe valley and expect to plant next season 1200 budded trees. Inquiries as to the best locations for pecan groves are frequent. This firm selected Southwest Texas because the pecans grown in it are richest and best in quantity and quality of meat.

**B. F. Sutherland.**

Mr. Hall had gone to the Ute Indian agency on business, and the day seemed rather long to Willie and Edith. Grandma Pelton had laid down to rest, and Mrs. Hall was busy.

"I wish Long-bow would come home with papa," Willie said, as he stretched himself in the shade of a pinon tree.

"I don't!" declared Edith from the shadow of her own cedar. "Indian boys think they are better than girls; and Long-bow calls me 'Little-squaw-much afraid.'"

"Well, the Chief is queer," Willie owned; "but he has promised to bring me a pet the next time he comes. I don't know if it will be a wolf or a red snake, but he said it would bite."

"That's what the Chief often says about girls. It means 'no good.'"

"Well, anyway, the Chief is a—he's an Injun!" replied Edith angrily.

"Woogh! Ugh!" some one grunted, and Edith turned so quickly that Willie laughed. Long-bow had ridden up with Mr. Hall, and had splashed in the back way to surprise them.

"Sneaky!" said Edith, but she held out her hand.

"Yes," agreed the Chief with a friendly laugh; "Long-bow creep in the grass, catch um bug and wolf. Him eat dog and honey. Him big Injun. Little white squaw no glad to see Long-bow?"

"I am!" shouted Willie.

"Well, at least, I'm glad to see the Chief but 'm not very glad to see that!" and she pointed at a very strange animal that Long-bow held in his hands. "Come up to the house and get some cake and coffee, and oh! leave that at the woodpile. Turn it loose, Oh, please!"

Willie looked at the animal very closely.

"It's not a wolf," he declared. "It might be a bat, or a kangaroo. Long-bow offered to place the little animal in Willie's hands."

"No," said Willie; "I believe I don't want it in my hands. It's the fiercest looking animal that ever came on this ranch. I'll get a box."

The Indian boy held the strange little beast by the ears while Willie nailed slats over the box.

"Maybe him eat the box," the Chief suggested, doubtfully.

"Well, if it gets away Edith will tell mamma. She said I might have a tame wolf but I don't know what about this thing. It's little, but it takes the prize for teeth."

"When him get away Edith hide out plenty now. No tel mamma—no tel anything but 'Oo! Oo! Edith plenty 'fraid.'"

"Well I'll not wait for it to get out!" she declared. "I will tell mamma now." And she did.

Mrs. Hall peeped in the box. "Oh dear!" she said. "What is it?"

Then Mr. Hall came up and explained that the Indians call the animal by a name that means "the noisy one." He said he thought it was harmless though it looked pretty bad, and Willie might keep it.

They took the box to Grandma Pelton's room, and Gramma said that with all its large ears and eyes, and its teeth, and its bushy tail, it was nothing but a kind of rat! She had seen hundredths like it in the

mines at Cripple Creek. But it was a very strange rat.

Grandma Pelton had some chickens that were hatched in a red box with a lamp at one end of it. The little yellow chicken with a black spot on its back was the finest one of all, but he would come into the house, where he was not wanted. They called him Yip-yip.

While Long-bow was lunching Yip-yip came into Gramma Pelton's room and hopped upon the Noisy One's box. He flew down very quickly, but it was too late. The Noisy One bit off his longest and best toe.

Gramma tapped the Noisy One's box with her book and scolded him but the Noisy One stamped and scolded too; then he squeezed through a crack and ran under the lounge. He was free, and it was not long till every one in the house knew why the Indians call a trader rat "the noisy one."

When Willie heard that his pet had escaped he was very sorry but the Chief only laughed.

"Never mind," he said, "him come back. Him live in Long-bow's house on Ute mountain heap long time. Him heap tame, no run away."

A few minutes later there was a great noise in the garret. It began with a gentle tap, tap, tap and then Grandma's button box rolled between the walls with a loud clatter.

"The Noisy One hep thief," the Chief repeated.

All night long the noisy rat kept up his play and Edith could not sleep at all. The little thief found every small bright object in the house and carried it away, and in each place from which he had taken anything he left a chip, or corn-cob. That is why he is called a trader rat.

When morning came, Mr. Hall hunted everywhere for the Noisy One, intending to kill him or make Long-bow take him away. Willie was not pleased, but when Yip-yip came hopping in one one he said didn't care so much

Edith caught Yip-yip and wrapped up his sore foot in a bright red cloth, but the chicken was not thankful. He tried to pick the cloth to pieces, and as he could no do that he hopped out to the porch and crept under the doorstep.

Long-bow and Willie were playing in the yard when Yip-yip suddenly squalled as loudly as a little chicken can, and fluttered his wings. "Cheer—r—r! Cheer—r—r!" he seemed to say, and the boys ran to help him.

The Noisy One had spied the red cloth on Yip-yip's foot and seized it in his strong teeth. No doubt he thought it would look well in his collection of bright things in the garret, for he puled and stamped and scolded, while the chicken tried to get away.

"You plenty thief!" shouted Long-bow, as he caught the rat by its tail. "You steal Yip-yip foot, now you steal him moccasins. You no good! You go scalped!"

But Edith brought a wire bird-cage and they put the Noisy one in it with a bag of peanuts to eat and some bright tin spoons to play with.

"Woogh!" said the Chief, "Little white squaw no get afraid!"

"Well, I don't wish to scalp it, anyway," she said.

**LET'S HAVE THEM FOR TEXAS.**

In a recent interview Mr. Geo. L. Rockwell general manager of the Texas Five Million Club, gave out some rather pertinent facts regarding the immigration to the Canadian northwest and advanced many reasons why the American citizens who have been induced to cross the border should have been secured for the fertile fields of Texas.

It only goes to show, said Mr. Rockwell, the importance of placing before the people of the Middle Eastern and New England states the advantages of the state. There seems to be a tendency among Eastern farmers to desert their farms where in many instances the scanty soil will not permit of a living, for the broader acres of Canada. This is caused to a great extent by the homes in Canada advertisements which have been inserted in the Eastern papers.

These papers boomed the Albert and Saskatchewan countries until thousands of our free born American citizens are now seeking their fortunes on an alien soil. I am a firm believer in America for Americans, and see no reason why we should help to populate Canada; if Canada is seeking colonists let her look to the foreign element which drifts to our shores every month in

the year, and leave our own people to us.

Mr. Rockwell believes that we should have these people in Texas while their hopes are high, but he realizes that we can not secure them without placing before them the advantages of the state. To do this money, and it is for this purpose the Texas Five Million Club was organized.

Every section of the state has with avidity the chance to contribute to this great fund, the amount of which is to be 5,000,000 dollars in Texas in 1910.

**THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.**

Agriculture—House Bill 274, by Nelson of Kaufman and Lively, is the office of Commissioner of Agriculture, who must be a practical farmer and have knowledge of manufacturing and kindred industries. He is to receive a salary of \$500 a year, have an assistant at \$500 a year and such other help as may need. The duties of his office are (1) To execute all laws relating to agriculture. (2) To encourage agriculture. (3) To encourage the organization of agricultural societies and to distribute presses made before these societies.

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**GREATER TEXAS.**

The day of Greater Texas is dawning. As the present is keeping the promise of the past, so will the future keep the promise of the present. From El Paso to Echo, from Texline to Brownsville, there is renewed activity in both manufacturing and agricultural circles that bodes well for the future of the state.

In keeping with the movement the Texas Five Million Club is instituting a hot campaign looking toward the acquiring of 5,000,000 inhabitants by the time of the 1910 census. The president, John H. Kirby, well and favorably known for his patriotic sentiments, has called a meeting of the board of governors for April 19th in San Antonio, when the matter will be discussed in all its phases and steps taken to place convincing information before the farmers and artisans of the North and East who have been migrating into the Alberta and Saskatchewan countries of Canada in alarming numbers.

These people are needed for Texas while their hopes are high. They will make good, law-abiding citizens and be a credit to the commonwealth. There is room a-plenty for them. Capitalists are more ready to invest in promising enterprises than in any previous period in the history of the state. Manufacturing plants are springing up on every side. There is a demand for active energetic workers in every walk of life.

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**BIRDS AND FRUIT GROWING.**

Thanks to the Audubon societies and the enthusiastic men connected with them, most valuable and interesting matter relative to birds will be a distinct feature of the fruit journal. The close relations of birds to fruit growing and farming scarcely needs to be pointed out yet definite information relative to our birds, their food, their habits, and the value of them to the farmer and fruit grower, will be a specific contribution whose value will be appreciated.

In this number appears an article on the Meadowlark by William Dutcher of New York City, president of the National Association of Audubon Societies. Contributor to this department in succeeding numbers will be other men prominent in Audubon Societies, and in the department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C. Also Prof. H. P. Attwater, so well and favorably known in Texas and Louisiana, because of his intimate knowledge of birds and their relation to the farm and orchard, will be a regular contributor to "Texas Fruits."

The past few years have seen a great awakening in interest in this subject and the enactment of laws to preserve game and other birds the best friends the farmer has from wanton destruction. But there is need for further information, for further steps toward the preserving of the birds, and for a stronger sentiment in their favor, and this can and will be brought about by a fuller knowledge of their life.

The result is good for the fruit grower because it makes more specialized work in his own organizations, and at the same time makes stronger the Farmers' Union. Texas is large, very large, and each main fruit growing section is busy perfecting a compact organization for itself. This is the case with the district associations which are able to gather a greater proportion of fruit growers in as many members, and to deal more successfully with the conditions peculiar to the section. A general state association gathers all these forces together into a compact body representative of all the fruit interests of the state. Let each section, then, make strong its own association.

Mr. John W. Gates is reported to have recently lost a paltry \$3,000,000 by being on the wrong side of the market. It must annoy a sport like Mr. Gates to have these little transactions heralded abroad as they are.

**BUT SANDS UPON THE SHORE.**

James Barron Adams.  
Young man of the impudent pose,  
of head and arrogant tone of speech,  
You think in your pride you're the brightest one of the pebbles along the beach;  
You prate of the knowledge that is your brain, of the smartness that you possess,  
And look with an air of supreme contempt on your fellow of poorer dress.  
You should never forget that the outer dress is nothing but a veneer,  
That the roughest clothes may case a man who of any King is the peer;  
That despite your pride and your lofty speech and the summits to which you soar,  
You are only one of the countless grains of sand on the shifting shore.

And you, young lady of fashion's calm with the air of a reigning Queen,  
With gowns that are dreams of the modiste's art and jewels of brilliant sheen,  
You look with disdain on the working girl in her efforts to earn her bread,  
But as low as hers in old Mother Earth they will some day lay your head,  
'Tis not the setting in which it rests that tells the worth of the gem,  
The seravniest fruit on the orchard tree may hang on the greenest stem;  
The blushing apple with rosy cheeks may shelter a worm at the core;  
Be not so proud; you are but a grain of sand on the shifting shore.

The King who rules from a golden throne in a palace superbly grand,  
The beggar who stands on a busy street with a plea in his outstretched hand,  
The Queen in her royal robes of state, with splendor on every side,  
The working man and the working girl who drift with the labor tide,  
Were all created by one God-hand in the image of Him who gave them life and action to run the race from the cradle into the grave.  
And some must win, while the others lose, but all in the life-sea's roar  
In the Master's eye are but grains of sand that lie on the shifting shore.

**FRUIT AND TRUCK GROWERS OF NACOGDOCHES.**

On the 10th and 11th inst. at Nacogdoches, Texas, the Central East Texas Fruit and Truck Growers' Association met at Nacogdoches. While details of the meeting are not available for this number, the program gives a good idea of the interest and value of the meeting. The following are some of the titles and names for the two days' session touching upon fruit especially.

"The Hope of Our Country," J. E. Davis.

"Objects to be Obtained by Organization," Sam H. Dixon.

"Marketing and Diversification," G. N. Weaver.

"The Best Thing for East Texas," D. H. L. Bonner.

"Undeveloped Resources," H. P. Attwater.

"Marketing, Grading and General Trade Topics," F. W. Brookman.

"The Effects of Late Cultivation on the Holding Back of Fruit Trees in the Early Spring," Prof. J. E. Kyle.

"Insects and Diseases of the Peach Tree," Prof. F. W. Mally.

In addition to these topics others bearing directly on truck and tobacco growing were discussed.

**GRADING OF COTTON.**

(The Texas Farmer.)

Hon. Albert Burleson of Texas has introduced in congress an important measure which may become a law at the next session. The measure provides for the standardization or grading of cotton under the direction of the department of agriculture, assisted by three expert classifiers, who shall first fix a standard of middling cotton, and using this as a basis, fix four grades below it. When these standards are fixed, the secretary of agriculture will declare them the official standards or gradings of cotton classification, and he is directed to furnish such classification to every farmers' institute, union or association; to every cotton spinners' association, to every agricultural school or college, and to every cotton exchange. That a legal classification of cotton by the federal government would be a popular measure with cotton planters Mr. Burleson has no doubt, and he believes the cotton manufacturing interests would be so well served that their representatives in congress would join in the advocacy of the measure.

A short time ago, Mr. Harriman's physicians told him he ought to take a rest, and now Senator Cullom thinks he ought to be under arrest.

"Taft is looming up as a presidential candidate" remarks an exchange. That's because Mr. Taft is built that way.

After looking over the new Douma, the Czar must have been distressed to note that there are very few mollycoddles in it.

A Texas man wants to know whether any one who drinks sixty glasses of beer a day has good sense. He may lack good sense, but he certainly has a lovely thirst.

It will be some time before the Thaw lawyers recover from the mortification caused by one of their experts telling the truth.

After the last few days of mid-summer weather, it may as well be admitted that winter climbed out of the lap of spring with no backbone to break.

Unless the advance notices of Senator Burton's newspaper are greatly exaggerated, it may be necessary to print it on asbestos before the postal authorities will consent to let it pass through the mails.

The railroad presidents came they saw, and were conquered.

It is almost painful to contemplate the contrast with which we are to be confronted in pictures of Taft on the g. o. p. elephant and Bryan on the Democratic donkey!

Some queer to see a presidential campaign approach without hearing Chauncey M. Depew named as a possible candidate, doesn't it?

The postoffice department at Washington is said to be having trouble in getting enough twine. In an emergency the surplus of red tape in the department might be tapped upon.

A young Chicago mollycoddle asks an editor if it would be right for him to kiss a girl with whom he has been keeping company for some time. He would no doubt receive a more prompt and satisfactory answer by referring the delicate matter to the girl.

This odd pairing verse is run  
With but one point in view;  
Tis not a puzzle—is not spun  
Tosore bewilderyou.  
Tis but one sole object there  
The rhythm must be traced;  
Tushow how goshamighty queer  
Averse looks when mispaced.

**FLOWERS TO PLANT.**

Now is the time to plant the following: chrysanthemums, verbenas, dahlox, nasturtiums. The following seeds should be sown now also; cosmos, candy tuft, dandelion, nasturtiums; seeds slower than plants or bulbs; also carpet beds of different colors may be sown, the alternanthera, red and yellow, and the dusty Miller. Terminal buds of chrysanthemums and dandelions should be pinched out in order to make the plants stocky and stronger. This month and early May is the best time to care for these flowers, bulbs and seeds.

Abe Ruef is reported to have lost his nerve. The Frisco authorities ought to institute a search for it at once, for it was the best of its kind.

A Milwaukee man claims to have discovered the North Pole, but his story should not be credited until he produces the bottle Peary left on the ice some distance this side of the pole.

At any rate, the railroad presidents seem to have learned from the fate of several other gentlemen who pulled off interviews the first ten days of March, and March is probably a dull month in the divorce business, at that.

A Western lecturer says women ought to dress more sensibly. If that means less expensively, he will make a lot of friends, among the men in this country.

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**LIGHTFOOT GOES TO NEW YORK TO HELP SANBORN.**

Austin, April 15.—Assistant attorney general J. P. Lightfoot has gone to New York, it is learned upon good authority, to assist Frederick H. Sanborn, recently appointed special commissioner to take testimony, and secure evidence to be used in the trial of the case of the state of Texas vs. The Waters-Pierce oil company, suit for ouster and penalties for alleged violation of the anti-trust laws of the state.

Lightfoot left the city very quietly and no information regarding his movements has been obtainable at the attorney general's office.

By virtue of the new law under which Mr. Stanford was appointed commissioner, a large latitude is permitted in securing and examining witnesses, the powers being very similar to the powers of a district judge, and are calculated to accomplish much more than by the usual method of interrogatories, when the questions are prepared in advance and submitted to opposing counsel before being sent to the official who examines the witness.

The hearing on law points in this case will be held next Friday before Judge V. L. Brooks of the twenty-sixth judicial district court, the trial on the facts not until May 13, so Mr. Lightfoot will have several weeks to secure the evidence he is after.

The arguments next Friday will probably be made by Judge J. D. Johnson of St. Louis, general counsel for the Waters-Pierce oil company; Hon. George Clark of Waco, general counsel for Texas for the oil company, and Cochran & Penn, local attorneys, in behalf of the defendant; by attorney general Davidson, county attorney John Brady and associate counsel, Gregory & Batts, in behalf of the state.

**High School Teams Play Good Game of Ball.**

The Millett and Cotulla High School teams played a good game of ball here last Saturday evening. Cotulla defeated Millett by a score 10 to 8. This was the second game between these teams, Cotulla winning both. In the first the score was 5 to 2.

The first two innings of the game each side scored three. Then Millett gave Cotulla five straight shut-outs, at the same time running their score up to 8. Porter, who pitched the first five innings for Cotulla was wild and walked 'em right along. Rummell, on the Millett team was up six times, walked four and made four runs. "Dutch" Knaggs went on the slab after the fifth and they only made one run off him.

When the eighth opened the score stood 8 to 3 in favor of Millett, and looked like they had the game ahead, but Cotulla got busy with the stick and rapped out some runs. When they went out the score was 8 to 6. Millett didn't get any figures. Cotulla went out with their best time and good. Four runs sent the score up to 10 against 8, which was again to change on chance.

Porter pitched the entire game for Millett and he pitched it well. He struck out ten men, walked eight in four but he walked five. Knaggs pitched four in four and held them down with

Cotulla	
m. c.	Boyd,
p.	Porter,
1b.	Jay,
2b.	Pease,
3b.	Guinn,
ss.	Knaggs,
rf.	Chalk,
cf.	Neal,
lf.	Coleman.

mc 1:10.  
F. Knaggs.

**EXCHANGE NOTES.**

Wonder how much Sears Ward and Montgomery Roebuck will give for our road work or to supplement the school fund?—Devine News.

And among the most unusual things recorded in the records of the present century will appear the cold-blooded fact that a San Antonio policeman actually quit his job.—Atascosa County News.

The time that is so often spent in hunting trouble could be put to a much better and more profitable use than many people seem to be aware of while palling their tedious way through life.—Laredo Times.

Have you cleaned up your premises? "Procrastination is the thief of time," and neglect of keeping your place in the proper sanitary condition might be a thief of some dear one of your family.—Nixon News.

John D. R. gave away about \$30,000,000 recently and the price of oil of all grades all over the United States was advanced almost immediately. It is the oil consumers who make the magnificent donations—Rockefeller is credited with.—Floresville Chronicle.

The new anti-gambling law seems to have put a quietus on that class of business in Texas. The emergency clause came as a shock to many, and some have not had time to recover. At any rate, it was a good law, and we believe most people are glad it went into effect.—Range News.

It was stated a few days ago that a Pennsylvania legislator introduced a bill which provides that any person who shall assault an editor or news paper man who has written unkind things of him shall not be held guilty of any offence. It is a wonder that some of the Texas Legislators hadn't tried the same thing.—Pleasanton Monitor.

In erecting their own warehouses, the cotton planters of Texas are but carrying out the good purposes of the Farmers Grange which flourished several years ago, whose purpose was to side track the middleman and other obstructions between the cultivators of the soil and the markets of the country.—Laredo Times.

Had it ever occurred to you that there is nothing more attractive to your child than beautiful home surroundings. It is in the home, that your children, the idols of your heart, must form their notions of the great mysteries of the out-side world. It is up to you, in a great measure, to say, whether these plastic minds, shall bear through the mirror of the soul, to others beyond the home, the stamp of an inner life clothed in glorious sunshine or wreathed in gloomy shade.—Floresville Chronicle.

It is to be regretted that the Legislature did not appropriate a larger amount for paying bounties on coyote scalps, in the bill recently passed. We hardly think 50¢ per head will be sufficient inducement for trappers and hunters to devote their time to killing this pest. The stockmen will be obliged to supplement this amount out of their own pockets. It seems to us that the bounty should have been at the very least a dollar a head, or a dollar and a half. We are informed that a number of sheepmen in this county have been paying as much as \$2.00 a scalp. So that the bill will do but little good. However it is a move in the right direction. It was probably not an easy bill to get through the Legislature, as it was doubtless opposed by the popular north and east Texas counties.—Del Rio News.

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Ira C. Jennings is back in the city again after an absence of several weeks, during which time he has been moving some steers from the Coal Mines above Laredo to the Banton pasture in Dimmit county. Mr. Jennings says the country along the Rio Grande about Minera is extremely dry.

S. L. Chalk, county surveyor, who is sub-dividing the Simmons ranch in Live Oak county is at home for a few days with his family. Mr. Chalk reports that he has the biggest part of the job finished and will wind up on schedule time. Mr. Chalk says that section is feeling the effects of the drouth more than we are.

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A. L. McClure, of California, is here on a brief visit to his brother, J. W. McClure, five miles West of town. Mr. McClure told us he recently purchased land in California at \$400. per acre, and was lucky to get it so cheap. There's no reason why Southwest Texas land will not be just as valuable as California land when the country is properly developed.

### AT THE MEXICAN SCHOOL.

The Mexican Public School closed last night for the term. Miss Zenaida Perez, teacher, arranged a splendid program for the closing exercises. The plan that was adopted some time ago of separating the Mexican and American scholars, has worked admirably. A great many more Mexican children now attend school than formerly and they learn much faster by having a teacher of their own nationality. Miss Perez has made much progress with the school the past term shown by the manner in which the exercises were carried out last night. The program was as follows:

1. La Escuela.....Guadalupe Villareal
2. Daises.....Refugio Flores
3. Recitacion—Reverendos de Mayo.....Juventino Villareal
4. The Wind and the Leaves.....Blasa Garza
5. A Morelos.....Guadalupe Villareal
6. Two Little Kittens.....Mauro Belis
7. Recitacion—El Ultimo Delirio del general Zaragoza—Vencedor de las Franceses Puebla, El Dia 5 de Mayo de 1862.....Juventino Villareal
8. See Saw Up and Down.....Julian Lopez and Martin Saenz
9. My Doggie is Lost.....Pedro Navejar
10. Dialogo de Mexico y Estados Unidos.....Maria and Mercedes Gutierrez
11. An Advice.....Pedro Garcia
12. The Little Birds.....Juana Pena, Lilia Adams, Cuen Perez and Lola Morales
13. La Bandera Mexicana.....Pedro Navejar
14. Work and Play.....Maria Gutierrez
15. La Escuela.....Maria Givara

### LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

Ed Oliver was among the boys who went up Wednesday to take in the Carnival.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bell were in from the ranch during the week.

W. T. Gardner of Dimmit county was in town on business first of the week.

Showery weather—just the kind the onion men didn't want, prevailed all day Wednesday.

R. W. Warren has a big force at work getting out his onion crop.

Mr. Otto Fischer was among the arrivals from Laredo on Tuesday morning's train.

John R. Lyons, deputy organizer of the Woodmen of the World, was here first of the week.

J. W. Hornsey was down from the Bruten Lake country Tuesday where he is sinking a well.

Mrs. F. D. McMahan and Miss Marye Hall went up to see the Carnival Monday.

Miss Adele Reed and Mrs. J. A. Reed visited the Carnival at San Antonio first of the week.

H. W. Earnest, the Millett lumberman, was transacting business in the Hub Tuesday.

Mrs. R. L. Henriksen was in the city from Artesia shopping Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Guinn went up to the Alamo City Wednesday to see the Carnival.

W. H. Happle, representative for Adams, Kirkpatrick Co., at Carrizo Springs, was here a day or two this week.

J. L. Hamilton and J. M. Fairchild and A. J. Hamilton were in Cotulla from Millett Tuesday night.

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Dr. J. W. Hargus returned Sunday after an absence of two weeks from the city.

J. W. Coleman was among the Cotullaites that attended the Carnival in the Alamo City this week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Gillespie of Sutherland Springs were here last Saturday enroute to Carrizo Springs.

A birthday present for all the children under ten years old who turn in their names to Gaddis' Pharmacy.

Miss Lulu Philippe went up to Pear-all Tuesday to be present at the wedding of her friend, Miss Jennie Lowe.

W. G. Johanson, one of La-Salle's well known ranchmen, made a business trip to Laredo Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Bennett and children of the O'Connor ranch have been at the Exchange Hotel this week.

Miss Irene Powell left Tuesday for San Antonio to visit her aunt, Mrs. Margaret Olive Jordan, and also to see the Carnival.

Col. and Mrs. W. A. H. Miller went up to San Antonio Tuesday. Col. Miller was attorney in a case in the District Court here.

C. B. Jones was in from the Dobie Ranch Tuesday. He has completed painting and papering Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bell's ranch home.

Mrs. A. Burks and niece, Miss Mary Baylor, were in from the Burks ranch Wednesday to attend the Copp-Fisher nuptials.

**For Sale**—I have a few choice cows, high grade Jerseys, and the kind any child enjoys milk, that I am offering for sale as they come fresh in milk. Write me. I might have just what you want.  
BRUCE ROBERTS, Devine, Tex.

W. E. Campbell was in town this week from the Burns Ranch. Says he is getting along fairly well on the deep well he is sinking.

J. W. Buckow was in town Wednesday. He says he has corn tasseling and the prettiest stand of watermelons he ever saw, but they need rain.

Rev. F. A. Barnes, pastor of the Presbyterian church came down from Austin to perform the marriage rites of the Copp-Fisher wedding Wednesday.

I am now located in my new building, and am prepared to serve cream and all kind of cold drinks. Will appreciate a share of your trade.  
S. Cotulla.

**Strayed or Stolen**—One gun saddle horse about eight years old, no brand, black stripe down back, black mane and tail. Will give liberal reward for horse and \$100. for conviction of thief.—JORDAN J. HEVIN, Cotulla, Texas.

J. W. Campbell, who has been here for ten days loading out his onions, was wearing an unusual smile Wednesday morning. He had word over the telephone that all the Carrizo Springs country was soaked with a three inch rain.

We will give one child from each family in Cotulla a nice package of candy who brings us the name and date of birth of the children in their family under 10 years old and we will remember them on their birthday.  
Gaddis' Pharmacy.

J. W. Sutherland of Florence, Williamson county, was in the city this week. Mr. Sutherland was among the first purchasers of the Cotulla lands after it was subdivided. He expects to move here the coming fall. Mr. Sutherland said an extremely hard drouth was broken in Williamson county Tuesday night.

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