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## Kennedy's

For Two Weeks  
June 4 to 18

We are going to make a special effort to move our surplus goods, in other words reduce our spring and summer stock so as to make room for our fall and winter supplies which will begin to roll in soon. Little early, yes, but nothing like beginning in time. We cannot offer everything in our house at reduced prices, but the following will convince you that on such things as are quoted below we mean to SELL, SELL, SELL.

### Gents' Furnishings.

#### Men's Suits.

\$22.50 suits at	\$15.95
18.50 suits at	14.95
17.50 suits at	13.95
16.50 suits at	12.95
15.50 suits at	11.95
14.50 suits at	10.95
13.50 suits at	9.95
12.50 suits at	8.95
8.50 suits at	6.95
7.50 suits at	5.95

#### Boys' Suits.

\$10.00 suits at	\$7.95
8.50 suits at	5.95
7.50 suits at	4.95
6.00 suits at	4.55
5.00 suits at	3.95
4.00 suits at	2.95
3.50 suits at	2.95
3.00 suits at	1.95
2.00 suits at	1.05
1.75 suits at	.95

20 PER CENT OFF ON MEN'S TROUSERS

#### Walk-Over Low Cuts.

\$5.50 and \$5.00 shoes at	\$4.95 and \$4.55
4.50 and 4.00 shoes at	3.95 and 3.55
3.50 shoes at	2.95

#### Hats.

\$6.00 John B. Stetson hats at	\$4.95
5.00 John B. Stetson hats at	3.95
4.40 John B. Stetson hats at	3.85
4.00 John B. Stetson hats at	3.45
3.00 Double Star and straws	2.55
1.75 Fox Brand hats at	1.45
50 and 25c ties at	40 and 20c
50 and 25c socks at	40 and 20c
\$1.50 and \$1.00 shirts at	\$1.35 and 90c

### Ladies' Department.

All 5c summer dress goods at	4c
All 10c summer dress goods at	8 1-3c
All 15c summer dress goods at	12 1-2c
All 20c summer dress goods at	16 2-3c
All 25c summer dress goods at	19c
All 35c summer dress goods at	29c
All 50c summer dress goods at	39c
Ladies' underwear and shirtwaists at cost	
\$2.00 long black and white silk gloves at	\$1.45
Embroidery dress patterns at cost	
\$5.50 silk petticoats at	\$4.15
10 per cent off on table linen, napkins and towels.	

This is no sweeping, seething, sensational sale, but a plain clearance sale on part of our stock which we see fit at this time to run out as above for

CASH ONLY.

Dan J. Kennedy.

## HOUSTON COUNTY'S FINANCES.

See Twenty-Year Fiscal Exhibit on Following Page.

(FURTHER COMMENTS)

We called attention in our notes of last week to four prominent facts disclosed by the FISCAL TABLE published last week and again this week. These four conspicuous, troublesome facts are as follows: First, the total Tax Rate for all county purposes in 1890 was only 40 cents on the \$100; second, the total tax basis or assessed wealth of the County in 1890 was \$2,598,775; third, the total Tax Rate for all county purposes in 1909—20 years later—was 50 cents on the \$100; fourth, the total tax basis or assessed wealth of the county in 1909 was \$7,169,367. The rate of taxation should always be governed or controlled by the assessed wealth or tax basis. It will be noticed as we pointed out before that the tax basis for 1909 is nearly three times as large as it was in 1890. The total sum of taxes paid in for county purposes in 1890 was \$10,395 on the 40 cent rate; the total sum paid in for county purposes in 1909 on the 50 cent rate, was \$35,846.80. The Commissioners' Court in 1890 ran the county on \$10,395, but the Commissioners' Court of 1909 has to have \$35,846.80, nearly three and one half times as much as the Commissioners had in 1890. Now when any one of the present court goes to deliver himself of his little speech, to show what brilliant financing he and the court have done, ask him why it is that it takes more than three times as much money to run the county now as it did in 1890; how it was the court in 1890 got along with a tax rate of 40 cents with a tax basis of a little over two and a half million and the present court has to levy a rate of 50 cents with a tax basis of over seven million dollars. The tax rate for the current year shouldn't be for all county purposes exceeding 30 cents, but it is 50. The man who now pays \$10.00 for county purposes ought not to pay over \$6.00. He is paying at least \$4.00 annually more than he should pay if the finances of the county were properly, efficiently and economically managed. If there were not so many big, wide-open gaps in the milk-pen and there were not so many fellows who manage to nurse front teats; if it wasn't for wasting money on BUG O, HOT AIR PUMPS, STEEL TANKS AND TOWERS and scores of other things, to say nothing of thousands of dollars for ROAD SERVICE which may mean anything or nothing—the public affairs of this county could be easily administered on a tax-rate for county purposes of 25 to 30 cents on the \$100. Any one who will undertake the labor of going through the minutes of the Commissioners' Court and scrutinizing closely the sums of money that have been paid by the court, thousands and thousands of dollars on claims never sworn to, for the past 15 to 20 years he will quickly agree with the writer that dur-

ing this period there have been all of \$25,000 to \$35,000 that ought never to have passed out of the hands of the County Treasurer and should be in his hands today. This is no wild, wanton guess but the writer can produce the figures to show it. We believe in good roads and safe, sound bridges wherever needed. How much money have the people of this county paid in taxes for road and bridge purposes in the last 15 years? Did you never stop to think of it? Did you know that during this period of 15 years past the people here have paid for road and bridge purposes nearly one hundred thousand dollars. Look at the tables and see for yourselves. Nor is this all. The plan of issuing road and bridge bonds began soon after Judge Aldrich went in as County Judge and during his entire term of four years road and bridge bonds to the amount of nearly \$18,000 were issued. Some of the number were cancelled and others issued but the cancellation didn't effect the sum total.

Then again in Judge Winfree's several terms as County Judge something over thirty thousand dollars in road and bridge bonds were issued the money all going in to the hands of the County Treasurer to the credit of the road and bridge fund. Now, with all this money spent on roads and bridges, over one hundred thousand dollars during the past fifteen years, this county ought to have a splendid system of roads and bridges. But where are they? Are the roads any better than they were 15 years ago? Are the bridges all standing and as sound and safe as they were 15 years ago? What have the people got to show for all this money spent on road and bridges. There is no denying it—thousands and thousands of dollars of money have been squandered on lumber and bridge contracts and nothing to show for it. The official minutes will show where enough money was paid one or two saw-mills in this county for bridge lumber to build a double gauge plank road from Crockett to the Trinity River in any direction. The writer has found lumber bills for bridges that were presented—not sworn to—and paid before the lumber was ever delivered and in more than one instance bills of lumber for bridges were filled and delivered and lay on the ground till it rotted or washed away. Yet these bills were paid—the bridges never built. That is one of the cracks in the milk pen we have been talking about and a big one. And there is always some one ready to stick his hand or head through and go to stripping the cream.

By looking over the tables critically we find that the people of this county have paid in the last sixteen years to the sinking fund for roads and bridges \$43,940, and during the last ten years for general road and bridge purposes \$53,512. Besides all this money there have been nearly fifty thousand dollars from sale of road and bridge bonds to go into the general road and bridge fund. And what has become of all this money? Did the people of this county have any idea that they had paid in all

this money in taxes for no other purpose but just road and bridge purposes? Think of all this money taken from the pockets of the tax payers in the last 16 years and a large part of it in the last ten years. And where has it gone we ask once more? Are the roads any better than they were before all this money was paid out on them? Are the bridges in safer or sounder condition than they were before all this money was paid out for lumber and bridge contracts? Let the people who travel the roads and cross the bridges every day answer these questions. But this doesn't represent all the money expended on roads and bridges. The law directs that certain fees when paid in shall go to the road and bridge fund. And again there have been several thousand dollars collected as a special fund by the commissioners themselves and all this has been spent on roads and bridges too. So that there has been paid in from one source and another during the last 16 years for road and bridge general purposes and road and bridge sinking purposes over one hundred and fifty thousand dollars in hard cash. And what have the people to show for it except the liquidation of a few road and bridge bonds. And where has it all gone? Go to the minutes for the past 16 years and look at the claims presented—not sworn to—and paid, for lumber, for bridge contracts and other items and you will see where it has gone. And yet some people have the audacity to go before the people and try to make them believe that they have accomplished wonders for them. This too in the face of the "dirty fact" that the tax rate now for county purposes is 50 cents on the \$100—10 cents greater than it was in 1890 to 1899. And the tax basis nearly 3 times as great as it was in 1890. Now, isn't this brilliant financing? The tax basis has been growing every year since 1890 and the tax rate ought to have been decreasing every year but as a matter of fact, the tax rate has been growing too. For nearly 10 years it was 40 cents—then it jumped to 50—then went to 60 and 70 cents on the \$100 for county purposes. And yet some of the Commissioners' Court blow about how they reduced the taxes. Look at the two columns showing the rate for state purposes and you will see where the reduction has come and who did it—not the Commissioners' Courts but the State Legislatures. We repeat it again that the tax rate for all county purposes oughtn't to be over 30 cents on the \$100 when we consider how the tax-basis has increased. The people who have settled and developed the county are the ones who deserve credit for the remarkable increase in the tax basis. We close this week's notes with a problem in arithmetic (rule of three) for the Commissioners' Court: With a tax-basis of \$7,169,367, if it requires a tax rate of 50 cents on the \$100 to run the county, how many cents on the \$100 would it take for the present court to run the county if the tax-basis were no larger than it was in 1890? Now, let some one of the court answer this right now and not wait to get on the stump. Further comments next week.

W. B. P.

## Watch for the OPENING OF THE LYCEUM THEATRE

STATE CHAIRMAN REPLIES TO MANY INQUIRIES

Rules That Unless Candidates Have Been Notified of Assessment None Is Justly Due.

Dallas, Tex., May 29.—In response to many inquiries that have been propounded, State Chairman A. B. Storey has issued a letter giving his opinion to the county chairman in the matter of assessing the district and state candidates. He says that the assessment of \$1 for each of such candidates is not due unless the county committee shall have so declared and shall have given due notice to the candidates. Unless this is done, under the direction of the Terrell election law the district and state candidates shall be placed upon the ticket without assessment.

The ruling from the state chairman as given out tonight by State Secretary J. C. McNealus at Dallas, was as follows:

San Antonio, Tex., May 28.—To the Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee: Gentlemen—Inquiry is being made, and I am asked to rule, whether or not the county committees will be justified in not placing the names of candidates for state and district offices on the ticket in the primary election when the amount of \$1 assessed against them for the expense of the election, as fixed by the statute, has not been paid at the time of the meeting of the committee for the purpose of making up the ticket.

You are advised that it is the opinion of the state chairman that such amount is not due "unless (in the language of the Terrell election law, section 3), the executive committee of the county shall so direct," and notice of such assessment be given to the candidate. You are, therefore, directed, in case of an assessment "so directed," that you shall give reasonable notice of the same to the candidate, and I am sure all will cheerfully give their assessments. If, after assessment and notice, any candidate will not pay the \$1 as assessed, then, only, would the committees be justified in not putting the candidates' name upon the ticket.

I urge you to take such action, if it is contemplated, and give notice as early as possible, that the notice may reach all candidates.

A. B. Storey,  
Chairman State Democratic Executive Committee.

### What Everybody Ought to Know

That Foley Kidney Pills contain just the ingredients necessary to tone, strengthen and regulate the action of the kidneys and bladder. Will McLean.

# Mattings -- Mattings -- Mattings

## Japanese and China Mattings

We are now ready to show you the largest and most carefully selected stock of mattings ever shown by any house in this country. And when tacked down our mattings lie flat, their surfaces stay smooth and firm. The daily contact of the broom will not wear upon them. That's because they are fresh and new. The resiliency of the straw resists the effect of hard usage by yielding, giving to every strain, instead of snapping, cracking or breaking.

In the beginning we mark our mattings at fair prices. Some stores have a "sharp" system. Exorbitant profits are asked at first, frequently double just rates. That, you see, leaves a wide margin for reductions. The method is deceptive. Hence our original prices are much less than the "cut" prices elsewhere.

# Jas. S. Shivers & Company

### Valuable Information for Every One.

By R. M. Hamlin, O. D.

A great deal could be said of the anatomy, the peculiar construction and the many anomalies of the human eye—that most complex and wonderful organ of the body, but we will confine ourselves in this article to a few of the more common errors of refraction which should be more clearly understood by the people.

A great number of parents, for instance, suffer their children to enter the race of life heavily handicapped by reason of some defect of the eye—not always necessarily bad vision. They permit an eminent injustice to be done their children, but not maliciously, for they simply do not know the importance of these matters.

The masses are not to blame for this lack of knowledge on this line of science, because it has been (comparatively) only a very short time since the "professionals" themselves knew but little; and then, too, knowledge of this nature is disseminated only through schools operated in the interests of this one branch, or through class periodicals which nobody except the professional is supposed to read.

It is within the memory of persons not yet old—that the astute peddler went from house to house, and you "tried on" first one pair and another until you felt sure you had a pretty good fit. But those days are gone.

In the battle for bread or fame or fortune, one needs to be as well fitted as possible.

No father would allow his child to enter the battle with only one foot, when for a few dollars he could provide a cork foot; and yet many, a great many, neglect a much more serious matter, and

let the young man or young woman go forth to do battle with defective eyes.

It is possible for one to have normal vision and at the same time be possessed of defective eyes: for instance, in hypermetropia and hypermetropic astigmatism, if not of too high degree and in young persons, the action of accommodation would neutralize the deficiency of the refractive power or axial length and maintain the acuteness of vision at the normal standard. This imposes an unnatural tax upon the ciliary muscle and in time leads to asthenopia.

Again, the eye may be emmetropic (normal) and a well defined image formed upon the retina at the macula, but if this impression is not conveyed to the brain, by reason of any failure of the optic nerve, or of the retina, or the centers of the brain there could be no resultant vision.

The cause of presbyopia is a gradual lessening of the power of accommodation. This is a physiological condition and is dependent upon a diminished elasticity of the crystalline lens and a loss of contractility of the ciliary muscle.

There are a number of phorias—heterophoria, esophoria, exophoria and several others, but they belong to higher optics and need not be explained here, as the intention of this article is to direct merited attention to some of the more common and easily understood eye defects which we meet every day, by the score.

Myopia (nearsight) is that condition where the eye is too long from the anterior to the posterior.

In this condition, rays of light entering the pupil focus in front of the retina instead of upon the

retina. "Accommodation," which was so useful in hypermetropia and astigmatism, is now of no use whatever, as the ciliary can do nothing more than relax.

If not properly corrected, this defect usually develops into progressive myopia—especially if the patient uses his eyes a great deal for near work, reading, etc.

Treated in time, it is comparatively easy to correct, but progressive myopia has no remedy within the reach of modern optometry.

Yet another condition confronts every optometrist—that of opacities. We have met so very many old people who have these opacities, and being powerless to help them makes their appeal to us all the more pathetic.

As we can do nothing for this condition after it has advanced, let us do the next best thing—advise the coming generation as to how to avoid this trouble.

Without wishing to alarm any one, and at the same time feeling it our duty to be plain and frank, we must tell you that these opacities are nothing more or less than incipient cataracts.

There is no remedy for these until they ripen—when they are removed by operation—but we are taking too much space.

Get this: Cheap glasses and improperly fitted glasses—more than anything else—are responsible for these opacities.

### Glad to Recommend Them

Mr. E. Weakley, Kokomo, Ind., says: "After taking Foley Kidney Pills, the severe backache left me, my kidneys became stronger, the secretions natural and my bladder no longer pained me. I am glad to recommend Foley Kidney Pills." In a yellow package. Will McLean.

### From Arbor.

Editor Courier:—Prospects for corn are very good, although farming has been at a stand still for a few days on account of heavy rains.

Our little burg continues to grow. Chester Arnold has lately built a residence and T. J. Lynch has a saw mill and shingle mill in operation on his place.

Our school, which has been under the management of Miss Sopronia Driskill, closed with a concert on the 6th which gave great credit to our able teacher, who has gained many friends in our midst. Prof. Mangum delivered a splendid address, which was enjoyed by all. The weather being threatening caused considerable confusion and a part of the program was left off.

Abner King of Kansas spent a few days with home folks here last week. Perkins.

The warm time in the gubernatorial campaign is just fairly beginning. That real Wilson letter, much more than the fake Russell letter, is calculated to act as fire to a live fuse. In that letter Senator Bailey charges Davidson and Johnson with having tried to destroy him "by infamous slanders."

In his speech at San Antonio Tuesday Mr. Davidson said: "I have never originated nor circulated a slander about Bailey personally nor officially, nor have I ever given circulation to, nor caused to be spread, any falsehood about him personally or officially, and I denounce his statements as wholly untrue in every particular, and I call upon him to state the slanders and falsehoods which he says I have uttered and circulated concerning him. And I will meet his charge at the proper time and

### Glasses are No Longer The Badge of "Bookishness"

On the contrary, they stamp their wearer as a person of good common sense who appreciates the value of normal vision. We have the glasses, you have the common sense. Let us get together.

R. M. HAMLIN, O. D.

the proper place." Now that sounds like a warlike acceptance of a belligerent challenge, and it can safely be assumed that the smell of powder and the roar of cannonading will soon announce the beginning of a battle that has been imminent for a long time. When it commences prohibition will be a side issue, and the war will be fought out between the Bailey and anti-Bailey factions. The prohibitionists will be between the firing lines, and will suffer no matter which side of the controversy wins.—Bonham News.

The Index is an unqualified Stokes man for congress and we have our reasons for it. He is a young man in the prime of life, one with enough of legislative experience to enter congress as an old member; he has the moral courage and back-bone to do his duty regardless of click or clan. We know him and have been associated with him for years. You will make no mistake in voting for Stokes for congress.—Corrigan Index.

### What a Summer Cold May Do

A summer cold if neglected is just as apt to develop into bronchitis or pneumonia as at any other season. Do not neglect it. Take Foley's Honey and Tar promptly. It loosens the cough, soothes and heals the inflamed air passages, and expels the cold from the system." Will McLean.

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# HOUSTON COUNTY'S FINANCES

## A FISCAL EXHIBIT FOR TWENTY YEARS PAST, 1890 TO 1909 INCLUSIVE.

This Table Shows the State and the County Tax Rate for Each Year. It Shows for What Purpose Each Rate Is Levied; the State Tax Rate for General Revenue and School; the County Tax Rate for General Revenue, for Court House and Jail, for Road and Bridge, for Special Jury. It Also Shows the Tax Basis or Total Assessed Wealth for Each Year

Year	County Judge	Commissioners' Courts	County tax rate on \$100 for each year					Total assessed wealth of Houston county for each year—basis of taxation	Total taxes paid each year to state revenue and schools	Total taxes paid each year to county	Total taxes paid each year for general revenue purposes—county	Total taxes paid each year for general road and bridge purposes	Total taxes paid each year for road and bridge sinking fund	Total taxes paid each year for court house general fund	Total taxes paid each year for court house sinking fund	Total taxes paid each year for special jury purposes	Price of scrip each year—road and bridge and general	Price of scrip each year—jury
			State tax rate on \$100 for each year for state revenue	State tax rate on \$100 for each year for schools	General revenue purposes	Court house purposes	Special jury											
1890	W. A. Davis	J. J. Brooks J. K. Chandler E. H. Calloway J. B. Harkins B. S. Hearn W. E. Hail A. Adams	20c	12½c	25	15	\$2,598,775	\$8,446 01	\$10,395 10	\$6,496 90			\$3,898 10			90	90	
1891	W. A. Davis	J. B. Harkins B. S. Hearn W. E. Hail A. Adams	16½c	12½c	25	15	2,638,893	7,696 75	10,547 57	6,597 25			3,958 30			90	90	
1892	W. A. Davis	J. B. Harkins B. S. Hearn W. E. Hail A. Adams	15c	12½c	25	15	2,636,307	7,249 84	10,545 20	6,597 60			3,954 45			90	90	
1893	A. A. Aldrich	J. B. Harkins J. S. Newman G. R. Murchison W. J. Davis	15c	12½c	25	15	3,037,829	8,354 05	12,151 30	7,594 60			4,556 80			90	90	
1894	A. A. Aldrich	T. W. Craddock J. S. Newman G. R. Murchison W. J. Davis	15c	12½c	25	10	3,057,163	8,407 18	12,228 65	7,642 90		\$1,528 50	3,057 15			90	90	
1895	A. A. Aldrich	T. W. Craddock R. T. Murchison W. E. Hail W. J. Davis	25c	20c	25	5	3,239,528	14,577 87	12,958 10	8,098 80		3,239 50	1,619 75			90	90	
1896	A. A. Aldrich	C. B. Isbell R. T. Murchison W. E. Hail W. J. Davis	20c	18c	25	5	3,102,517	11,789 56	12,410 05	7,757 00		3,102 50	1,551 25			92	92	
1897	E. Winfree	C. B. Isbell T. C. Lively W. E. Hail G. M. Thompson	20c	18c	25	5	2,950,450	11,211 70	11,801 80	7,376 10		2,950 45	1,475 20			90	90	
1898	E. Winfree	C. B. Isbell T. C. Lively W. E. Hail G. M. Thompson	20c	18c	25	5	3,070,250	11,666 95	12,281 00	7,675 60		3,070 25	1,535 10			92	92	
1899	E. Winfree	C. B. Isbell Wm. Robinson J. M. Porter C. H. Barbee	20c	18c	25	10	3,172,340	12,054 90	15,861 70	7,930 85		4,758 50	3,172 30			92	92	
1900	E. Winfree	C. B. Isbell Wm. Robinson J. M. Porter C. H. Barbee	16½c	18c	25	10	3,448,695	11,953 40	17,243 47	8,621 00	3,448 70	1,524 35	1,524 35	1,524 35		92	92	
1901	E. Winfree	C. B. Isbell T. C. Lively Henry Kent E. H. Calloway	16½c	18c	25	10	3,568,600	12,381 15	17,843 00	8,921 00	3,568 60	1,784 30	1,784 30	1,784 30		92	92	
1902	E. Winfree	J. E. Smith T. C. Lively W. E. Hail E. H. Calloway	16½c	18c	25	10	4,156,375	14,408 75	20,781 87	10,390 90	4,156 30	2,078 10	2,078 10	2,078 10		92	92	
1903	P. Newman	J. E. Smith H. P. Almond W. E. Hail A. Thomason	16½c	18c	25	10	5,014,443	17,383 40	30,086 65	12,536 00	5,014 44	2,507 22	2,507 22	2,507 22		93	93	
1904	P. Newman	H. W. McCelvey H. P. Almond H. F. Craddock A. Thomason	16½c	18c	25	20	4,962,954	17,204 90	29,777 70	12,407 40	7,444 40	2,481 50	4,962 90	4,962 90		93	95	
1905	P. Newman	H. W. McCelvey H. P. Almond G. R. Murchison A. Thomason	20c	18c	25	20	4,470,800	16,989 05	26,824 80	11,177 00	4,470 80	2,235 40	7,600 00	1,341 25		93	95	
1906	P. Newman	C. B. Isbell Jno. Sewell G. R. Murchison S. M. Hallmark	20c	18c	25	20	5,063,655	19,239 60	30,378 33	12,657 50	5,063 00	2,530 50	8,607 20	1,518 90		93	97	
1907	Jno. Spence	C. B. Isbell S. H. Lively G. R. Murchison J. A. Harrelson	12½c	20c	25	20	6,286,765	20,431 98	44,007 30	15,716 90	6,286 75	3,143 80	10,687 50	1,886 00	6,286 70	97	97	
1908	Jno. Spence	C. B. Isbell S. H. Lively G. R. Murchison J. A. Harrelson	6½c	16½c	25	34	6,894,755	15,800 50	34,473 75	17,236 50	6,894 75	3,447 35	2,357 53	4,086 40	97	1 00		
1909	E. Winfree	C. B. Isbell S. H. Lively G. R. Murchison J. A. Harrelson J. M. Creasy	5c	16½c	25	5	7,169,367	12,533 62	35,846 80	17,923 40	7,169 36	3,584 50	3,584 50		3,584 53	1 00	1 00	

**The Same Bascom Thomas.**

State Senator Bascom Thomas was here a short time ago and made a red hot speech, charging many things against various state officials and reading some correspondence that sounded bad. But here's an interesting letter that he did not read to his audience, and yet it is part of the record. Bascom should come on down the line and read all of the evidence. Hear this:

Hon. J. H. Bickett, Cameron, Texas: Dear Sir—I write you concerning a matter which is strictly sub rosa and I trust you will never reveal anything I say to you in confidence. As you are aware, I am now in the comptroller's office. Now, then, to the point: I have an ambition to go higher, and if merit and political influence are worthy of recognition I see no reason why my hopes should be in vain. In the treasurer's office there are two desks that pay better than the one I occupy. If you are elected I would like to have the first desk, or hold a seat next to you when the fatted calf is killed and the feast is spread. Of course, Mr. Bickett, I am for you for state treasurer, but at the same time I am looking out for what will promote my interest. My home is at Sulphur Springs, Hopkins County. I own a newspaper there, and my brothers and relatives are nearly all business men. We will obligate ourselves to carry the county without you entering it. Thomas Brothers have one shoe house in Hopkins, one in Grayson and one in Ellis, one at Ennis and one at Waxahachie. They are extensive advertisers and at present are patronizing about ten newspapers. From experience I know we can get the support of these papers for you. If we furnish the literature, they will publish something every week in reference to your candidacy. I will visit these counties for you, and I feel confident my people and I can carry for you

Hopkins, Ellis, Fannin and Grayson counties, which have a big electoral vote. Now, then, Mr. Bickett, I hope you will not think me guilty of any breach of propriety in referring to certain matters in this letter. Of course, I thoroughly understand the oath of office you will have to take in case you are elected, but there are ways of manifesting your intentions without the use of words written to convey them. Under certain conditions I know I will do you as much good as any man in Texas. I want you to give this matter your consideration and keep everything a profound secret. With best wishes and awaiting your pleasure, I am, your friend, H. Bascom Thomas.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 27, 1902.—Mr. J. H. Bickett, Cameron, Texas: Dear Friend—Some time since I wrote you a letter concerning a matter which I will not mention here. I am sure I am in a position to do you much material good, politically, and am willing to demonstrate the fact. Evidently you did receive the letter I wrote or either neglected answering. I am your friend and I want you to be frank with me in reference to the matter I discussed in my former letter. I feel confident I can carry Ellis, Grayson, Hopkins and Fannin counties. Awaiting your pleasure, I am, your friend, H. Bascom Thomas.

It need hardly be added that Bascom did not receive a reply to either of his letters. And it need hardly be added that he was talking through his hat when he said he could deliver the support of the newspapers in his district. The newspaper men up that way have made their position very plain.—Anderson County Herald.

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County Attorney R. F. Spearman has issued orders to Sheriff Hemsell that the sale of cooking extracts that contain alcohol, such as lemon, vanilla and fruit extracts, is prohibited, and to arrest all merchants, grocers, druggists and others who sell such extracts. Mr. Spearman says such extracts contravene the law and the sales are a violation of the prohibition law.

This order will compel housewives to get their extracts elsewhere. As most extracts contain alcohol to preserve the flavors, this order will have a sweeping effect. Merchants who sell extracts will take warning as the order is to be enforced.—Greenville Herald.

Texas Republic (San Antonio): Once again the Republic is constrained to remark that, while gratefully appreciative of all patronage extended it in the way of advertising and subscriptions, it can not and will not permit advertisers or subscribers to dictate its policies or control its editorial utterances. The editor of the paper exclusively reserves that prerogative to himself.

**Scared Into Sound Health**

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## BAILEY QUESTION CAMPAIGN ISSUE

### DAVIDSON REFERS TO WILSON LETTER IN SAN ANTONIO SPEECH

#### He Says There Are Plenty of Competent Democrats in Texas to Handle Political Affairs.

San Antonio, Tex., May 24.—In his speech here tonight former Attorney General Davidson took notice of Senator Bailey's letter to J. L. Wilson of Collinsville and accepted it as the opening of a battle against the dictation of the junior senator in Texas politics. Davidson's action was the result of mature deliberation and he said he took up the fight reluctantly and dispassionately, solely in defense of his personal reputation, and in protection of his public service, which he has always endeavored to keep untarnished.

The dragging of the Bailey issue into the campaign was a result of the letter written by the United States senator to J. L. Wilson of Collinsville, and he denounced as false the statements that Davidson had uttered slanders against him, and called upon Bailey to indicate precisely the falsehoods which he lays at Davidson's doors, asserting his readiness to meet the issue at the proper time and place.

He reiterated the fervid declarations of his opening address at Waco, in which he professed a deep desire to allow the dying embers of past controversies to fade into their natural dissolution, and deplored the necessity of action by which he was confronted. But at the same time he proclaimed his conviction that higher than office is unsullied character and nobler than meek and passive toleration is honest defense of honest conduct. He regretted that democrats of Texas cannot proceed to the selection of party nominees without dictation from Bailey and without his personal abuse, and expressed his confidence that the time has not yet come when the party will become the pliant puppet in the hands of a political autocrat or submit to controlling influences emanating from a headquarters established and maintained in Washington.

He said he deplored the reopening of an old wound by the opposition, and deprecated the presence of the issue drawn by Bailey himself. Davidson boldly proclaimed his allegiance to the standards which he faithfully defended throughout his term of office and repudiated the thought of deserting them.

He made it clear that Bailey had put him on the defensive by his recently published attack upon Davidson's conduct, and quietly exhibited his determination to fight back for the sake of those things which he holds most dear. His reference to the letter came early in his address. He spoke calmly and slowly. The audience hushed to hear the sensation which the speaker's quiet demeanor portended.

"In my opening speech at Waco," said Mr. Davidson, speaking deliberately, "I made use of the following language: 'I am not living in nor shall I seek to stir up the dead embers of the past. My face is set toward the future. My slogan shall be: 'Let all things be done decently and in order for the betterment of our people and the good of Texas. My candidacy does not rest on the consent nor does it find its inspiration in the support of any one man or

any one set of men. I promise you now and here that if promoted to the chief magistracy of this great state that I will be governor in fact as well as in name, and that I will be governor for all the people, without reference to former differences or controversies.'

"Believing that I was but reflecting the wishes and convictions of the people of this state regardless of party or party affiliations, and who were looking to the future and to the upbuilding of our state and to the prosperity and happiness of our people, I gave deliberate utterance to those views and truly hoped and desired that the controversies of the past might be wrapped in oblivion. It seems now that such is not to be the case.

"On May 19 the Fort Worth Record, the personal organ of United States Senator Bailey, printed the following letter:

"United States Senate, Washington, May 13, 1910.—J. L. Wilson, Collinsville, Tex.: My Dear Friend—Yours of the 7th inst. came duly to hand, but this is the first moment I could find to answer it. It is not true that I wrote Captain W. H. Daugherty two letters on the occasion of Poindexter's Gainesville speech, one strongly indorsing him and the other threatening to stump for Colquitt if the Anti Saloon League indorsed Johnson, or if I thought Colquitt the stronger candidate to beat Johnson.

"The only letter I wrote Mr. Daugherty for that occasion was the one which he read. It is possible that some of the people who have been making the misstatement to which you have called my attention, and which I have repeated above, have been honestly misled about it; but it is practically certain that no man who professed to have seen such a letter could be truthful or honest in making such an assertion. I have never made the slightest concealment from anybody that, if the Anti-Saloon League should succeed in eliminating Judge Poindexter from the gubernatorial contest, I would take the stump for Colquitt as against Johnson or Davidson. What else could any man expect me to do? Would any man who thinks I ought to value my character and reputation expect me to support a candidate for governor who had tried to destroy me by infamous slanders? Conscious that the things which Johnson and Davidson have done and said against me were infamously unjust, I could not preserve my self-respect if I did not do all I could to defeat them for the high office of governor. Possessed of a personal knowledge that they have spread falsehoods about me, I would be lacking in my duty as a citizen of Texas if I did not exert myself to prevent them from reaching a high position, the powers of which they are certain to grossly abuse.

"But while I have not hesitated to say (and I said that to Dr. Rankin at Fort Worth last fall) that I would support Colquitt against Davidson or Johnson, no living man ever heard me intimate, even in the remotest way, that I could be induced by any circumstances to support Colquitt against Poindexter. If Poindexter remains in the race—and that he will remain in it I am absolutely certain—I will support him to the end of it, and will do everything that I honorably can to aid him in securing the nomination. Very truly your friend,

"J. W. Bailey."

Mr. Davidson stopped reading and paused. The audience held its breath.

"In this letter," said he, still speaking slowly, as he had read,

and with well modulated voice, "I am charged by Bailey with having made attempts to destroy him by infamous slanders, and that I have spread falsehoods about him, and that if I am made governor of Texas I would be certain to abuse grossly the powers conferred upon me as governor."

The speaker spoke more deliberately, if possible, and with impressive emphasis.

"I have never originated nor circulated a slander about Bailey personally nor officially, nor have I ever given circulation to nor caused to be spread any falsehood about him personally or officially, and I denounce his statements as wholly untrue in every particular. (Applause.)

"And I call upon him to state the slanders and falsehoods which he says I have uttered and circulated concerning him. (Applause.)

"And I will meet that charge at the proper time and the proper place. (Prolonged applause and cheers.)

"It is to be regretted that democrats of Texas can not select their state officers without dictation from Bailey or without the personal abuse of Bailey of any candidate that may be before the people for their support. (Applause.)

"And I believe that the people of Texas will agree with me that the time has not come when the people of Texas will permit any man to name their state officials. (Renewed applause.)

"And the people of Texas are not yet ready in the selection of their state officers and in their battle against the enemies of democracy to have their political headquarters located at Washington. (Applause.)

"There are plenty of honest and competent democrats in Texas, who live in Texas, who can take care of our political affairs and direct the counsels of the party without the interference of a federal officer. (Renewed applause.)

"Referring again to my Waco speech, I deplore a revival of former controversies, but inasmuch as they have been reawakened by the opposition into those disputes, it is not for me to desert the standard to which I faithfully and conscientiously adhered throughout my tenure of office. (Applause.)

"I am being maligned for faithful discharge of my official duties, and now that I am a private citizen and free to defend my personal reputation with out fear of compromising the interests of the state which I love and which I represented, I raise my voice in resentment of that charge." (Prolonged applause.)

With the foregoing statements Mr. Davidson dismissed the subject and referred to it no more during his address. The rest of the speech was along the usual lines.

News spread rapidly that Mr. Davidson had accepted the Bailey gauntlet, and before he had concluded the introductory remarks of his speech prominent Bailey leaders were advised of his declaration by long distance telephone and telegraph. Among the first to employ the wires were prominent local supporters of Mr. Colquitt.

Mr. Davidson spoke to an audience which packed the floor and first gallery of the Grand Opera House, there being approximately 1,200 people in the crowd. In the audience were several hundred women.

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screen, and later the bold inscription, "Vote for R. V. Davidson, your next governor," loomed up in bas relief under the magic rays of the spot light. Each demonstration evoked a cordial round of applause.

### Worthless Dogs on the Streets.

Nacogdoches Sentinel: These folks of Nacogdoches who claim the ownership of dogs—common, ordinary, lounging canines—either ought to keep their pets at home, or trade them for something they can burn or give away. When it gets to the point that ladies have to go around to other sidewalks to avoid stepping over the brutes, it is high time a change is made.

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Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

### The Conservation of Nature's Resources

Applies as well to our physical state as to material things. C. J. Budlong, Washington, R. I., realized his condition, and took warning before it was too late. He says: "I suffered severely from kidney trouble, the disease being hereditary in our family. I have taken four bottles of Foley's Kidney Remedy, and now consider myself thoroughly cured. This should be a warning to all not to neglect taking Foley's Kidney Remedy until it is too late." Will McLean.

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A summer cold if neglected is just as apt to develop into bronchitis or pneumonia as at any other season. Do not neglect it. Take Foley's Honey and Tar promptly. It loosens the cough, soothes and heals the inflamed air passages, and expels the cold from the system." Will McLean.

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**Local News.**

New Home sewing machine at Daniel & Burton's.

Miss Edna Mae Foster is visiting at Huntsville.

A fresh supply of breakfast food at Shivers & Leathers'.

The newest styles in shirts, collars and ties at Millar's.

If you want what you want when you want it phone 221.

A complete, up to date abstract. Aldrich & Crook.

Have your clothes cleaned and pressed at Shupak's tailor shop.

That matting at the Big Store is hard to equal and can't be beat.

You can save money on your furniture by trading at the Big Store.

Miss Buena Gilder has returned from Llano, where she has been teaching school.

The Big Store is showing an elegant line of men's fancy vests this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Wootters and daughter, Delha Mildred, are visiting at Huntsville.

Prof. B. E. Satterfield left Monday night for Jacksonville to assist in a summer normal school.

Stetson hats, neatest styles and best quality, at reasonable prices. Daniel & Burton.

Donald Moore, secretary for the Beaumont Waterworks company, was in Crockett last week.

Mrs. Henry Baker and Mrs. John Robert Foster are visiting their sister, Mrs. Jack Smith.

J. F. Standley of Trinity was in Crockett this week getting his gin ready for the coming season.

For bath or shave go to Friend. Best equipped shop in Houston county. Cleanliness our hobby.

The potato yield is light. Only a few shipments are being made and the price is unsatisfactory.

All embroideries in all widths going at 10c per yard for this week only at Shivers & Leathers'.

The Courier has a large stock of candidate cards and will meet the prices of any and all competitors.

Try a drink at our soda fountain. Nothing better and more wholesome on a hot summer day. McLean's Drug Store.

Let Millar order your next suit and get a perfect fit, the best material and superior workmanship.

If flour is what you want get a sack of White Crest, the very best. Sold by Shivers & Leathers'.

Now is the time to put in your order for mohair, crash or tropical weight worsted suit at Shupak's.

Iron beds, spring cots, bed room suits, hall trees, rockers and chairs of all kinds cheaper at the Big Store.

Miss Louise Moore has returned from Buena Vista, Va., where she was a student of Southern Seminary.

Twenty-five cent quality of soisettes reduced to 20c per yard—all the new shades—at Shivers & Leathers'.

Cotton hose, rubber hose, hose reels, hose nozzles, hose washers, lawn sprinklers at Clinton's house of plumbing.

B. F. Chamberlain is putting a modern glass front in the building occupied by the Murchison-Beasley Drug company.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Wootters of Lufkin are spending the week with their mother, Mrs. Berta Wootters, in this city.

The Crockett fire company made its first practice run Tuesday night. The boys are training themselves for service.

Daniel & Burton have just received a car load of hog fencing, barbed wire and nails. Prices cheaper than the cheapest.

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It is announced that Hon. Wm. Poindexter of Cleburne, candidate for governor, will speak at Crockett some day next week, time not yet set.

The time for active campaigning is drawing near and all candidates will want and need cards in making the rounds. Let the Courier supply you.

F. M. Patton of Creath was in town Monday en route Huntsville where his daughter, Miss Hannah, is finishing in the Sam Houston Normal.

Prof. O. C. Payne was elected Monday as principal or assistant superintendent of the Crockett high school. He will move here from Wichita Falls.

Mr. J. H. Haddox, a prosperous farmer living between Crockett and Lovelady, is among the Courier's good friends remembering us since last issue.

Our cigars are personally selected from among the most popular brands. Give us a call when you feel like smoking. McLean's Drug Store.

Don't delay any longer having your candidate cards printed, but get them now while printing is cheap and before the rush is on. Let the Courier fill your order.

The public is invited to attend the U. D. C. exercises at the court house Friday, June 3, ex-President Davis' birthday. Dinner will be served to the Confederate veterans.

Mr. Candidate, before making the rounds next month, let the Courier print your cards. You will need them and after you get started it will be too late to get them.

The office of the county superintendent has been moved into the room formerly occupied by the sheriff and the sheriff now occupies the room which was vacated by Supt. Mangum.

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Miss Hamil of Honey Grove, a sister of Mrs. B. E. Satterfield, spent last week with her sister in this city. She was returning from Tennessee and was accompanied home from Crockett by Mrs. Satterfield.

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**To Open Campaign Here.**

Mr. J. Martin Jones of Rusk, candidate for Governor, will open his campaign at Crockett on Saturday, June 18, at 2 o'clock in the court house, at which time and place he desires to address the democrats of Houston and surrounding counties.

Rev. Geo. W. Davis returned last week from Asheville, N. C., and Washington, D. C., and filled his pulpit in the Methodist church Sunday morning and night. At Asheville he attended the national conference of the Methodist church and at Washington the national Sunday school convention. He reports a very profitable and enjoyable trip.

Elder J. W. Brice of Burnet, Texas, will preach at the Christian church Thursday night and on until Sunday night. Subjects as follows: Thursday night, "What Should a Christian Preacher Preach?" Friday night, "What Is Conversion?" Saturday night, "Conversion of Lidia and the Jailer." Sunday at 11 o'clock, "How Far May We Differ and Yet be Christians." At night, "Hearing and Doing."

**Straw Vote Taken.**

A straw vote taken in Crockett Tuesday by I. A. Daniel, a Johnson man, on the governor's race was as follows: Johnson 65, Davidson 64, Colquitt 51, Poindexter 42. It is admitted by conservative men both in and out of town that Davidson's strength lies largely among the farmers, and the Courier believes for that reason that Davidson will carry the county. The race for second place will be between Johnson and Colquitt.

I have the agency for "Philo System" of Poultry Culture, Incubators and Supplies. \$1,500 in ten months has been accomplished by this system. Complete book describing every detail of the work for \$1.00. System in use at Wosumok. Free demonstration to book customers.

It. Mrs. F. E. Kalb.

The Courier is authorized to announce Mr. R. J. (Bob) Wills as a candidate for the office of constable in precinct No. 4, the Lovelady precinct, subject to the action of the coming democratic primary. Mr. Wills has lived in the Lovelady precinct all of his life and comes from a sturdy family. He will make a good officer if elected and will appreciate your support.

**Machines at \$1.50.**

Come to Betts' White Front on south side of square where Frank Terry has rented a part over there, and get a machine for one dollar and a half to the Singer machine that runs so fast.

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**Summer School.**

Miss Annie Williams will open a school on Monday morning, May 30, at the public school building. Special attention will be given to pupils who wish to prepare for promotion in grades for the fall session of school. Length of of term, 3 or 2½ months; daily session from 8 a. m. to 12 m. Terms, \$5.00 per month. 2t.

**Board Elects Teachers.**

The city school board met Monday and elected the following corps of teachers for the next year: B. E. Satterfield, superintendent; O. C. Payne, principal; Miss Birge of Austin, Miss Kellogg of Greenville, Miss Martin of Mercury, Miss King of Belton, Mrs. Spence, Mrs. Pence, Miss Arrington, Miss Stokes and Miss Craddock, assistants.

**Crockett Schools.**

Patrons of the Crockett Schools, living outside of the District should transfer their children to this district if they desire the benefit of this school. Hereafter six months free tuition will be allowed all children transferred to this district. Do not forget to transfer. Those who do not transfer will pay tuition for full term of nine months.

J. W. Hail,  
President of Board.

**Fired Anvils in Celebration.**

President Taft has relieved A. J. Houston from the office of United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Texas and appointed as his successor D. B. Lyon of Sherman. The action of the president was exceedingly gratifying to the citizens of Crockett, so much so that they celebrated the event Tuesday night with a bonfire and the firing of anvils on the public square. Houston made himself obnoxious to our people during the time of their trouble with labor agents from the Mississippi valley following the advent of the cotton boll weevil into Houston county.

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The Courier is authorized to make the following announcements subject to the action of the democratic primary:

- For Congress, 7th District  
C. C. Stokes  
of Houston County
- For Representative  
J. R. Luce  
Dr. J. B. Smith  
W. G. Creath
- For County Attorney  
B. F. Dent  
C. M. (Marvin) Ellis
- For County Judge  
E. Winfree
- For County Clerk  
O. C. Goodwin  
Nat E. Allbright
- For District Clerk  
J. D. (Joe) Sallas  
Joe Brown Stanton
- For Tax Assessor  
D. T. (Dave) Adair  
John H. Ellis
- For Tax Collector  
A. L. (Gus) Goolsby
- For County Treasurer  
W. H. Bayne  
D. J. Cater
- For Sheriff  
C. C. Mortimer  
O. B. (Deb) Hale  
A. W. Phillips
- County Superintendent of Schools  
John T. Crook  
J. F. Mangum
- For Commissioner, Precinct No. 1  
S. H. Lively  
J. D. Hill  
R. T. Kent
- For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2  
C. R. Stephenson  
J. C. Estes  
G. R. (Rose) Murchison
- For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3  
John L. Straughan  
J. A. Harrelson
- For Commissioner, Precinct No. 4  
J. M. Creasy  
Calvert Hallmark  
P. D. Austin  
G. W. Blakeway
- For Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1  
E. M. Callier
- For Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 4  
J. Q. Snell
- For Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 6  
J. G. Webb
- For Constable, Precinct No. 1  
R. J. (Bob) Spence  
P. E. Tunstall  
J. D. Sexton
- For Constable, Precinct No. 4  
Leon Smith  
R. J. (Bob) Wills

## NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any person, firm or corporation which may appear in the columns of "The Courier" will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publisher.

Mr. A. S. Hawkins of Midland, candidate for lieutenant-governor, spoke at the court house Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the interest of his campaign. He was heard by several hundred of our people, a great many of whom after hearing his speech declared that they believed him a clean and capable man and that they would vote for him. H. Bascom Thomas, the political contortionist and grand-stand monstrosity—the man who controls newspapers with patronage and elects to office men who promise him things—spoke at Crockett about two months ago

and it is surprising the way people gulped down, without any investigation, the things he told them. Thomas has been exposed time and again. Such "anti" senators as Senter have denounced him from the stump and such "pro" senators as Brachfield have denounced him from the stump. All the way from the lieutenant-governor down to the assistant door-keeper comes evidence of Thomas' insincerity and political fraud. To this is to be added the testimony of A. S. Hawkins at the court house Monday. While the Courier is for A. B. Davidson, it is glad that Mr. Hawkins spoke here Monday, for his speech exposed in a large measure the insincerity of H. Bascom Thomas.

## A WARNING.

Charles H. Alvord, professor of agriculture of the Agricultural and Mechanical college of Texas, has many inquiries about the creamery business and in every letter he is warning local committees against high priced schemes.

In a letter just issued Mr. Alvord gives detailed information as to what is necessary and at the same time issues a warning against "schemes" and "promoters." The letter says:

I would advise you by all means to steer clear of any promoter who offers to build you a completely equipped creamery at prices ranging from \$4000 to \$6000. You should be able to build a creamery sufficient for your needs, complete in every respect, for a cost of not over \$3000, and I believe that \$2500 will be sufficient. I assume it is my duty to promote the dairy industry by advising the building of such plants that show reasonable prospects of success, considering the possibilities of the cream supply. I do not think it would be wise to attempt to build a creamery unless you had the assurance of the cream from at least 350 cows. As the number of cows increases you can increase the capacity of your plant if you desire, but a creamery costing not over \$2500 can easily take care of the cream from 1000 cows. The only creameries in this State that have failed to prosper have been those that have been promoted by Chicago parties, who sold them completely equipped creameries for prices running from \$4000 to \$6000 and unloaded on the stockholders a lot of machinery that is not needed at all in this part of the country. It might not be out of place to indicate how this is accomplished. They take advantage of the growing dairy sentiment in this State, and a smooth talking individual comes to the city and persuades a few leading business men that a creamery would be a great advantage to their community and starts his subscription by donating \$400 or \$500 in stock to some of the leading men in the community to help the work along. He immediately proceeds to sell as much more as he can, usually collecting about \$4500, or in some communities even as much as \$6000. His contract with the subscribers is so drawn that it is not binding on him until he signs it, and he can keep on contracting stock until he has worked the community to a finish. If he starts out to collect \$6000 and only gets \$4000 he immediately closes the contract on this basis and advises them he will omit some of the machinery and build them a \$4000 plant. His contract is so drawn that nothing is definitely specified. It is very flexible and full of loopholes. It does not even indicate the make of the machinery that will be used,

and oftentimes fails to state the size of the grade. For instance, in churns; one reliable manufacturing company lists a combined churn and butter worker with a capacity of 1000 pounds at \$275; the same churn in the same size, but made of heavier material throughout and more durable is listed at \$400. The promoter's contract calls for one churn, but as stated above, mentions neither size or quality, and the same is true of almost every piece of machinery with which they equip their creameries.

The refrigerator or ice box is one of the most important features of a modern creamery and yet the contracts give no specifications whatever as to the manner in which this ice box should be built and insulated.

A creamery should always have a cement floor, and yet I find a good many of their creameries are built with board floors. I trust that you are not tied up in any contract of this kind, but if you are I would certainly insist that these specifications be complete in detail before any work on your creamery is commenced. If you have done your own promoting and are free to use your money as you desire, I would advise you to hire your butter maker the first thing and let him buy supplies and equipment from responsible jobbers and manufacturers.

## A. B. DAVIDSON ON THOMAS.

### Told of Causes Which Led to Expulsion From Senate.

Rockwall, Texas, May 30.—Lieutenant Governor A. B. Davidson of Cuero, who is a candidate for re-election, made a brief address to the voters of Rockwall county here today, immediately preceding the speech by Judge Poindexter. He was introduced by Hon. T. B. Ridgell and immediately began a discussion of the reasons which moved the State senate to expel Senator H. Bascom Thomas, who is one of his opponents.

He said a condition arose in Austin last winter which was unusual and unseemly and resulted in the unfortunate necessity, in his opinion, of the expulsion of a senator from that body. That senator was returned, as most of those who dealt with senatorial affairs there believed he would be, by his people because of a lack of knowledge of the facts and circumstances surrounding the case. Out of that return, he said, had grown a candidacy based upon the theory that lobbying was common in the senate.

Governor Davidson said he had become a candidate for re-election on this account and in response to the almost unanimous request of the press of Texas and by practically every member of the legislature, he believed, to the end that the people might know, if the information might be conveyed to them, that "the charges preferred by this gentleman against the senate were unreasonable, unfounded and untrue."

He said that occasionally an unworthy person found his way into the legislature, just as one would find his way into the church or into a secret society. "But," he added, "it is not proper for the people of Texas to be told, it is not proper for these boys to be taught, that those who administer the public affairs of this State are all corrupt. It is not true. No more unfortunate thing could be done than that the people of this great State, believing it to be one of the greatest in the Union, now pressing it forward until it will soon be the leader of them all,

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should leave the youths who are to follow us to understand that those who took part in administering its public affairs were men unworthy to have held the public offices intrusted to them. It made it necessary for some one familiar with these facts to undertake to let the people of Texas know the record of this man who prefers these charges, and he does not indict me alone, but he indicts the whole senate of Texas, its official family, that is, its employes and other officers, in a wholesale charge of wrongdoing there."

Davidson referred to some of the things in the records he has of Senator Thomas' career. He said he could not go into details because of the limited time at his disposal. He said:

"This charge would be preferred and the next day retracted against that body."

Such charges, he declared, ought not to have been made unless they were true, unless they could be proven, unless there were substantial reasons for them.

"And, my fellow citizens," he

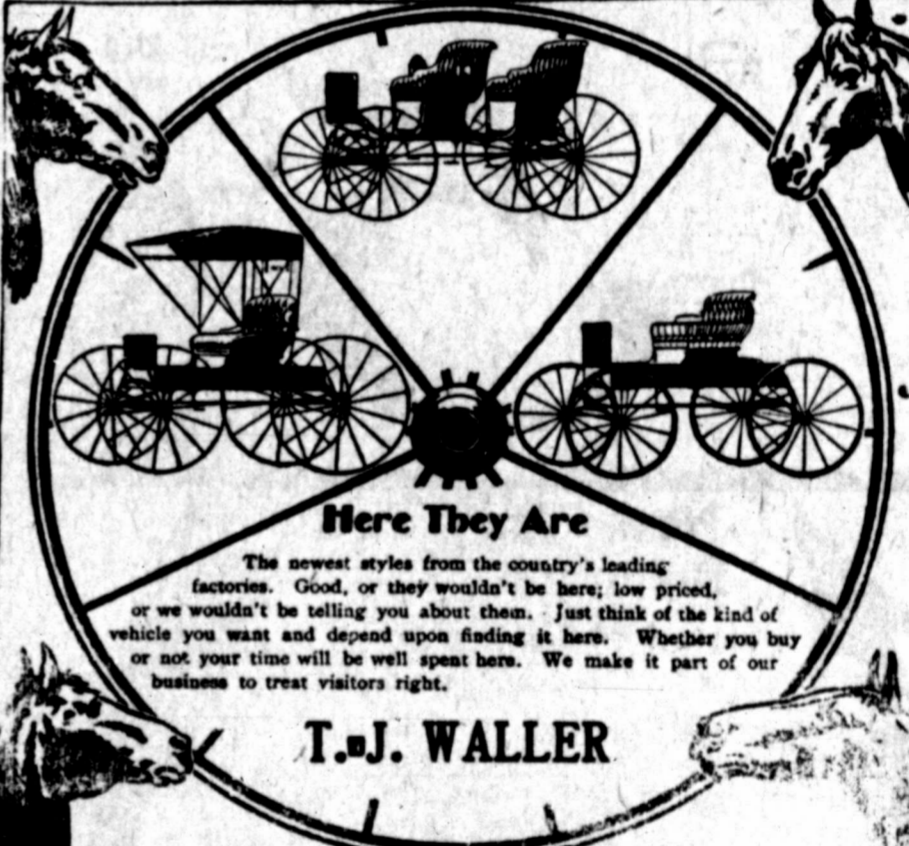
exclaimed, "none existed. Thirty senators had sat there and voted on every single proposition, twenty-six at all times proving his statements untrue."

Then he said that Senator Thomas would stand before the senate and retract what he had said.

"And then," he continued, "he would turn around and republish the same charges and deny that he had ever retracted anything and repeat them again."

There are two Davidsons running for state offices, namely: Hon. R. V. Davidson of Galveston, candidate for governor, and Hon. A. B. Davidson of Cuero, candidate to succeed himself as lieutenant governor. Both are clean, brainy men, of gubernatorial size. During this political campaign both are being much abused. However, it would not be politics if it were otherwise.—Powell Cross Timber.

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