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"The Stars and Stripes Forever."

The legislature has refused to make an appropriation to continue the live stock sanitary commission. This is a hard blow to the stock interests of West Texas.

The Cubans now call old General Garcia a traitor. This is the reward he receives for spending the best years of his life fighting for a degenerate and ungrateful people.

According to some anti-expansionists all expansion is grand larceny, but if this country must steal more territory they want them to steal it in the western hemisphere.

The Atlanta Constitution calls Aguinaldo a freebooter. Is not the Constitution afraid of being read out of the party by Bryan and Bailey for speaking the truth so boldly?

When in the course of human events it becomes necessary for a man to cease to be a patriot in order to become a partisan, it ought not to be hard for an honest man to make a choice.

The governor of Colorado threatens to appeal to the courts unless the president immediately musters out the Colorado volunteers. This worthy governor may be right, technically, but certainly not very patriotic, to say the least.

The anti-expansionist quote Jefferson to prove that it is wrong to annex the Philippines. Had Jefferson adhered strictly to his own teachings it is very likely all of us living west of the Mississippi would be under a king today.

The Atlanta Constitution, speaking of the Philippine question says: "The Americans never retreat under fire because they are not built that way." The only reason they do not however, is because the ruling powers refuse to take the advice of most of the democratic leaders and some very prominent republicans as well.

The Arkansas-Texas anti-trust bill will become a law by far before unforeseen accidents. The cry has gone out that the fight has got to come and it had as well come now as any time. Then "Lay on MacArthur," and the men who first cry hold, though "The Star" hopes the anti-trust bill will do all the damage at the muzzle and not at the breech.

Wherever and whenever the anti-expansionist opposed expansion in his country the anti has invariably hit the dist. Anti-expansionist killed the old whig party, and doubtless what few old line whigs that are left are delighted to see their old time political enemy, the democratic party, heading toward the fatal rock on which that party was wrecked.

"Hannay Dewap keeps up his record as a joker. He says the next national republican platform will contain a strong anti-trust plank, but the strong Hanna will be retained as chair. Republican committee manager of the sign. The idea of appealing to the people is well but the age; however the democratic party propose to retain Jones as chairman, who is identified with being one of the principle stock holders in the round bale corporation. About the only difference between Hanna and Jones on the trust question is that Hanna has the most money, but Jones has his money invested in the biggest monopoly in the south.

There are rumors of more stone and brick buildings to be erected on east Market street, also new hotel talk, our water works prove a success, as there is no reason to doubt, Baird is liable to have a regular building boom this fall. Steadily, for the next several months, building residences and business houses has been going on without attracting any particular attention, but with a good water supply in town and good crops in the country this year which we now have every reason to expect, Baird is going to move forward never before. A strong united pull by all our people, for the most essential if we wish Baird to emerge from a town to a city. United action of people in the past have built large cities elsewhere under greater disadvantages than exist at Baird, and we can do this, but have got to get a move on us. If our merchants sit down and wait for business to come to town, as most of them are doing, and do nothing to advertise their business, and thus refuse to help the local paper work for the interest of the town and themselves, lots of the trade that should come to Baird will continue to go to adjacent towns more and more. Some may think this a plea for self-interest and in some sense it is, but it is also a plea for the town—the merchants as well.

The Amarillo paper has been working very hard to divert cattle shipments from the Pecos valley to the Pecos valley and has at various times misrepresented existing conditions in the hope of influencing business. But this paper has all along warned its readers that there was a bug under the chip, and that big stockmen of the Pecos country were driving their cattle alongside the railway to Panhandle points for delivery.

For the past few days Johnson Bros., the well known Pecos stockmen, have tried to get the Pecos Valley to make them a through rate on 100 cars of cattle from Pecos, Guadalupe or State Line to Kansas pastures. After a great expenditure of time and patience the rate finally quoted a rate of \$71.30 from State Line to Exbridge and Bazaar, but made no rate for Pecos at all. Johnson Bros. considered the matter settled, but as a matter of precaution wired the Santa Fe people and asked them to confirm the Pecos Valley rate of \$71.30 per car. This the Santa Fe refused to do, and the Pecos Valley then quoted a new rate of \$81.30 per car on the cattle. By this time the Pecos men had enough and had closed with the Texas & Pacific for the shipment of the cattle from Monahans.

By this one act the Pecos Valley lost \$7,130 in freight money, which the shippers were anxious to give it, and shows to the stockmen of West Texas that the "Great Cattle Trail Route" is to be but a trail in reality. People are wondering how the Pecos Valley road expects to exist without the great bulk of the cattle business from its legitimate territory. But that is the road's funeral—Colorado Stockman.

The heavy editorial writer on the Putnam Gazette relieved himself of a lot of bile against THE STAR and in his zeal to put THE STAR in the wrong has simply made himself ridiculous.

He charges THE STAR with various and sundry false statements which for convenience we divide into 4 sections. Section 1. THE STAR March 3d said: "The whole proceeding are illegal" (alluding to the Putnam quarantine). This is false and untrue. Putnam Gazette April 28th.

Answer. On the contrary we know it is true that the Putnam fiasco was illegal, and it is astonishing that one who pretends to write for the edification of the public should claim to be a claim that a few people can get together and resolve a "legal" quarantine into existence.

Article 4346 Revised Civil Statutes page 870 provides that the Commissioners Court shall sign when unincorporated towns shall institute a quarantine. Judge Russell informs us that this was not done in the Putnam case, hence the Putnam quarantine was illegal.

Section 2. As to the statement that the Gazette never said "Baird had been exposed" but that "certain parties had been exposed." If the Gazette's language is to be construed literally it means that the people of Baird and the city of Baird have no connection whatsoever with the disease. The "certain parties" referred to are Baird people. That being the case then in order to figure out that THE STAR has stated that part of the controversy falsely, the Gazette writer takes the absurd position that the people of a town can be exposed to a contagious disease, while in the town, without exposing the town. This is the result reached by the Gazette's tortuous reasoning in order to make a point against THE STAR.

Section 3. Alludes to what THE STAR said about advertising the Gazette. As THE STAR never intimated that it was charging the Gazette anything or expected any pay therefore the Gazette writer who writes for the edification of the public, and who makes themselves when they try.

Section 4. We never accused THE STAR of suppressing facts (alluding to the smallpox at Baird.) Putnam Gazette.

In the Gazette of March 24th, speaking about the report that McCallan had the small-pox after leaving Baird on the 12th, the writer says: "And THE STAR has possibly been in the possession of these facts and just forgot them on going to press."

No one who understands English will deny that the writer intended to convey, and did convey the idea to the readers of the Gazette that THE STAR knew these facts and suppressed them. On March 12th the writer charged the people of Baird with negligence in the following language: "Now coming down to the facts, Baird could have avoided her case of smallpox had she aroused herself from her lethargy. Baird knew that certain parties had been exposed and for some reason unknown to her refused or failed to take even precautionary steps to prevent the spread of the disease."

The writer of these articles in defense of Putnam's quarantine against THE STAR in his close, advises THE STAR to study something else to soft-soap the people in order to get out of the "tangle" she is now in.

The Gazette man is the one that needs soap to untangle his tangled, tortuous statements. He seems to possess the unhappy, or perhaps happy faculty of forgetting one week what he has written the week before.

Now in conclusion we desire to repeat what we said before that we would never appeal to the Gazette had it not attempted to make it appear that the people of Baird were negligent and in addition that THE STAR had suppressed the facts about the smallpox.

R. H. Cooper, of Ft. Worth has the contract for shipping two hundred cars of stone from Baird to be used in the foundation of the Round House and the new T. & P. at Ft. Worth. J. R. Pace began shipping stone on this contract some time ago, but the company wanted the stone facts that he could ship it and he turned the contract over to Mr. Cooper. Not less than two hundred cars of stone will be shipped and perhaps a great deal more. Mr. Cooper has a large force of lands at work in the quarry in the Barbours pasture, just north of the old stock-pens.

It is now proposed to form a stock company to build a new hotel, the shares to be \$10 each. This will give every man in Baird a chance to help this much needed enterprise. Dr. R. G. Powell and C. S. Boyles will be glad to solicit subscriptions to stock right away. Why not just let us outsiders that we have faith in our town and proposed to push it to the front. This hotel question won't down, and like the water works we will get it, but we hope we won't have to wait ten years like we did for the water works.

W. R. McDermott left the first of the week for a trip east and south. He is selling oil.

THE TEXAS CATTLEMEN DEEPLY CONCERNED.

Missouri Cattle Quarantine Law Will Cause Disaster If Rigidly Enforced.

Kansas City, May 9.—The proclamation recently issued by Governor Stephens in which the rules governing the inspection and admission of southern cattle into the state are here ascribed has caused some uneasiness among the live stock men at the stockyards. Rule 10 reads as follows: "From the fact that there is a possibility of the introduction of splenic fever from the territory in Texas and Oklahoma north and west of the quarantine line hereinbefore described, cattle from such territory will be admitted to this state as natives only after inspection made by and upon permits issued by a live stock inspector of this department of the live stock sanitary commission of the state of Kansas."

The territory "lying northwest of the described quarantine line" in Texas is known as the Panhandle. That part of Oklahoma affected by the rule as being the southern boundary of Kansas and the Panhandle in Texas. This territory annually produces many thousands of well bred stock and feeders that have hitherto been admitted into this state the same as native cattle.

A. H. Dean, chief of bureau of animal industry for the government at the stockyards, after reading Governor Stephens' proclamation, said: "Section 10 will prove a source of great trouble for the state if the rule is enforced. Kansas inspectors in the first place have no business to issue permits on cattle that originate beyond their jurisdiction and which are consigned beyond the state. The stockmen are not and local and in the opinion of some of the owners would be entitled to damage if they are quarantined or even interfered with."

Summer Normals Located.

Anetia, May 8.—The department of education sends out following additional appointments for the location of summer normal schools:

- Mason, Jacob Bickler conductor, June 25 to July 2. Hillbors, J. S. Cox conductor, June 13 to July 2. Franklin, D. F. Eagleton conductor, June 25 to July 2. Garrison, A. E. Day conductor, July 8 to Aug 12. "San" Angelo, B. C. Odum and J. A. Starnes conductors, June 5 to July 1. Kerville, H. B. Griffin conductor, July 3 to Aug 12. Rockwell, E. L. Stafford conductor, June 25 to July 2. Denison, William Gay conductor, June 5 to July 1. Comanchero, W. F. Rogers conductor, June 25 to July 2. Weatherford, Amos Bennett conductor, July 3 to Aug 12. Brownwood, W. I. Gibson conductor, June 25 to July 2. Montador, C. L. Lane conductor, June 19 to July 2. Gorman, R. E. L. Henry conductor, June 12 to July 2. Clifton, J. J. McCollum conductor, June 12 to July 2. Fredericksburg, Hermann Hirsch and Jacob Bickler conductors, July 17 to Aug 12. Anetia, A. L. Stubbs conductor, June 19 to July 2. Waxahachie, J. Henry Phillips conductor, June 21 to July 2. Glen Rose, M. Fulton conductor, June 14 to Aug 12. Kerens, J. P. Steneyson conductor, June 12 to July 2.

A Settlement Reported.

Managua, May 8.—The Bucelid is correspondent of El Comercio telegraphs that paper that Captain William L. Merry, United States minister to Nicaragua, has agreed to a settlement of the claims of United States citizens against the Nicaraguan government. The settlement, according to El Comercio's correspondent, is favorable to Nicaragua.

Case Was Transferred.

Sweetwater, Tex., May 9.—The case of the state vs. P. Woodruff, indicted by the grand jury at this term of court for assault with intent to murder, was transferred to Midland county for trial.

Texas Preacher to Hang.

Anstis, May 8.—The court of criminal appeals here affirmed the death sentence of Rev. George W. Bond, who murdered his wife a few months ago at Panhandle, Tex., by strychnine poison.

Nitroglycerin Explodes.

Pinoak, Cal. May 8.—The nitroglycerin house of the California Powder works exploded here. Foreman Arthur Graves and L. J. Wilkins were killed and several others injured.

Double Hanging.

Washington, May 8.—The double hanging of William Strathair and Chas. Winston in the District of Columbia jail, passed off quietly. The two negroes were hanged for murder.

New Spanish Minister Coming.

Madrid, May 8.—Duke D'Arco, the newly appointed minister to the United States, has started upon his journey to his new post at Washington, by way of Paris.

Poisoned by Sardinia.

Guthrie, O. T., May 8.—Roy Nordham died at Hennessey from the effects of poison contained in a box of sardines, which he purchased and ate for lunch.

Seasonal Shooting.

Mississippi, May 8.—There was a sensational shooting here when Bernard Gilling attempted to kill his wife and son during an arrest was attempted.

A petition is now before the Commissioners' Court asking for a special election for a school district four miles square in Baird, to levy a tax of 20 cents for school purposes. The election will be ordered right away no doubt and THE STAR hopes it will carry without a dissenting vote. The present district only takes in the town of Baird. The new district will include our school, from \$150 to \$250 per annum. With the new district we can build up a first class public school at Baird, something that will be a property holder in and around Baird whether or not they have any children to send to school.

Commissioners' Hinds, Yost, Houston and Sprawls are all in town attending the regular May term of Commissioners' Court.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

Appropriations Show the Grand Total of Expenditures to Be \$671,091,023.

Washington, May 9.—The volume relating to appropriations required by law to be prepared and published at the end of each session of congress, under the direction of the committee on appropriations of the senate and house, has been completed for the third session of the Fifty-fifth congress. The appropriations show the grand total of \$671,091,023. The details by bills are as follows: Agricultural, \$3,721,023; army, \$80,430,204; diplomatic, \$1,714,344; District of Columbia, \$6,854,384; fortifications, \$4,909,293; Indian, \$2,775,775; legislative, \$28,410,941; military, academy, \$575,774; naval, \$48,699,000; pension, \$143,333,038; postoffice, \$103,654,139; river and harbor, \$16,091,842; sundry civil, \$49,885,981; deficiency appropriation, \$25,000,913; miscellaneous appropriations, including \$20,000,000 to carry out the treaty obligations with Spain, \$28,741,599; permanent appropriations, \$199,978,290.

In addition to the specific appropriations made contracts are authorized to be entered into for naval establishment and for various public works throughout the country requiring future appropriation by congress in the aggregate sum of \$7,047,547.

These contracts cover three new battleships, three armored cruisers and six protected cruisers to cost including armament and outfit, \$25,000,000; harbor improvements \$28,868,325; public buildings in various states, \$13,138,450.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE.

Storm in the Territory Proves to Be Quite Disastrous.

Guthrie, O. T., May 8.—The cyclone which passed over Canadian county destroyed at least 20 farm houses and caused a great damage to growing crops.

At Chickasaw, 17 buildings were wrecked and 15 persons injured. J. H. Murray, a railway man, who was caught under falling timbers, died of his injuries.

A report says James Whitman and his son, George Whitman, farmers living near Okarche, were killed in their field.

At Okarche, five homes were blown away, among them the dwellings of J. H. Swain and Leon Tsofel, both of them badly hurt.

Rain fell in torrents and half a dozen culverts on the Rock Island railroad were washed away.

William Walker, Indian agent at Andarko, who is in the city, has received word that the cyclone did great damage in the vicinity of the agency, destroying cattle, fences and buildings. John Head, a ranchman, was killed.

The cyclone came from the southwest and covered a tract one mile wide. It cut out four corners, but did its greatest damage in Canadian county.

Another Regular Her Out.

New Albany, Ind., May 9.—Margaret Bond of Madison, Wis., went to Jeffersonville and found her little 3-year old boy, who had been stolen from her a year ago. The child was at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Bond. The stolen property proceedings were filed by Mrs. Bond and Sheriff Mayer took the child, afterward turning it over to the mother by order of the court. Mrs. Bond thinks her husband is the father of the child.

Chicago, May 9.—Three mass meetings were held in Chicago Sunday to voice approval of the policy of the administration. The speakers were the anti-imperialists, and to protest against the sentiments expressed a week ago, at the "anti-imperialist" meeting in Central Music hall. Meetings were held in the Central Music hall, the First Methodist church, and in spite of the inclement weather, the aggregate attendance was probably 10,000.

Arrested for Swindling.

Los Angeles, Cal., May 9.—City detectives here arrested Dr. Hans Hogeberg. He is said to be wanted in New York City on the serious charge of wholesale swindling in connection with the management of the Investors' Guarantee Trust company, which company is incorporated with its office at New York. Dr. Hogeberg left New York April 15, and it was thought he had fled to Europe.

European Rice for Cuba.

Washington, May 8.—Congress General Lincoln, at Antwerp, regards it as a fact worth reporting to the state department that during the last quarter more than \$86,000 worth of rice from the east was exported from Antwerp to Cuban ports. He says it would seem, in view of the southern market, that the rice to Cuba, that our merchants at least should have some hand in procuring the supply needed.

Buffalo Arrives from Manila.

New York, May 9.—The United States cruiser Buffalo has arrived from Manila with a very quick run of 44 days. The Buffalo brought a consignment of the men of Admiral Dewey's squadron. These men are mostly long term men whose time has long run out.

Constitutional Convention Announced.

Montgomery, Ala., May 9.—The state senate by a vote of 18 to 13 decided to report a call for a constitutional convention made in December last. The house had already voted to cancel the call.

District court for Callahan county, April term, 1899, adjourned last Saturday. The following is a list of cases on the docket and disposition made of same.

CRIMINAL DOCKET. No. 912. State vs Geo. Branly, perjury; acquitted.

No. 913. State vs Albert Robbins, perjury; dismissed by the state.

No. 943. State vs Jack Leathman, assault with attempt to murder; dismissed.

No. 944. State vs Bud Denton, theft of a horse, continued by defendant.

No. 945. State vs Candy O'Neal, theft of a horse; continued by defendant.

No. 946. State vs Candy O'Neal, theft of a horse; continued by defendant.

No. 950. State vs Jim Shipman, concealing stolen property; continued by agreement.

No. 958. State vs W. N. Mott, murder; convicted of murder in first degree and given life sentence.

No. 965. State vs Ex Parte W. N. Mott, habeas corpus writ; admitted to bail in sum of \$2,500.

NOTE: This will be final trial. Mott is now in jail awaiting decision of case in criminal court of appeals.

No. 959. State vs Frank O'Brien, theft from person; plead guilty and was sentenced to two years in pen.

CIVIL DOCKET. No. 251. S. T. Fraser vs T. B. Fraser, trusteeship; continued generally.

No. 458. T. E. Powell vs R. E. Brashear, et al., suit to partition land; continued.

No. 462. Mrs. M. S. Barnett, et al., vs J. B. Wright, suit to foreclose vendors lien; case retired from docket; judgment affirmed by higher court.

No. 480. Asa Calvert, et al., vs Mary Blake, damages and to try title; continued.

No. 484. J. E. Jarrell vs H. G. Eppler, injunction, judgment for defendant; dissolving injunction; appeal to second district court of appeals.

No. 485. C. E. Harrington et al., vs P. J. Short et al., damages and to try title; continued under rule for cost.

No. 486. Chas. J. Canda et al., vs L. P. Pain, damages and to try title; judgment for plaintiff.

HOGCH DER KAISER.

The following is the bit of doggerel which Captain Coghlan recited as one of the songs his soldiers are accustomed to sing, at which Germany has protested.

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Der's France, she swaggers around, Dere's Ausgapedit, To much we think she don't amount. Myself—und Gott.

She vill dare not to fight again, But if she shouldt, I'll show her blain Dot Elaaa—in French Lorraine. Are mein—by Gott.

Dere's Grandma, dinks she's nicht small beer, Midt Boers und such she interferes; She'll learn none owns dis hemisphere. But me—und Gott.

She dinks, good frau, of ships she's got, Und soldiers midt der scarlet goat. Ach! we could knock them—Pouf! like that. Myself—midt Gott.

In dimes of beace, bebre of wars, I bear the spear and visage grim; Und care not for den thousand Crars. Myself—midt Gott.

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EULA CLIPPINGS.

The Eula high school closed a highly successful session with concerts Thursday and Friday nights, May 4th and 5th. The exercises all the way through reflected great credit on teachers and pupils; gratifying to the large audiences which gathered to witness, and remarkably satisfactory to the patrons of the school.

Prof. W. L. Butler has taught two sessions here, and though only just 21 years old, has built a monument to his memory, more lasting than granite or marble. He has gone from us to take a position in Simmons' College, Abilene, but he will live in the affections of more than a hundred children, and in the grateful memory of their parents while life lasts or reason sits enthroned.

He was ably assisted by Misses Nora Bristow and Bessie Reese through the public school term which closed two months ago, and by Miss Bristow on to the close of the school. These young ladies greatly endeared themselves to pupils and patrons.

After the concert closed Friday night, the teachers bid their pupils good by. The scene beggars description, and evidences among else could have done, the esteem in which they are held by their pupils.

The Buffalo Gap string band furnished music for the concert. It was of high order, and fully sustained their reputation as musicians. They have the hearty thanks of our people for their kindness.

Miss Zella Aycock who has been teaching music in the school, and who has proved her efficiency, by the rapid progress made by her pupils, will continue her class some months yet.

A. T. P.

Eula, May 8th.

Water pipes scattered along the streets does not inspire at least one man. Passing along where pipe was scattered for no less than 3rd street he remarked: "Baird will never get any water through that pipe. We'll be if that man had lived in the days Noah that the last thing he would have uttered before he disappeared would have been 'The flood of waters that encompassed the earth.' Noah is mistaken there is not, nor will there ever be a flood."

They Clear Two Towns in the Philippines of Insurgent

General Oils Says Every Day Brings Their Collapse Nearer—No Fighting Reported from the Front

Manila, May 9.—Gunboats Laguna de Bay and Cavandagan, under command of Captain Grant, which went up the San Fernando river to Guagua Sunday, to establish there a base of supplies for the troops engaged in the northern campaign, have returned. Major General MacArthur having failed to connect with the expedition.

The gunboats found the rebels entrenched at Soman and Guagua on the water fronts of the town. The vessels steamed past the works shelling the occupants and driving them out. Landing parties from the boats entered both towns capturing at Soman a Spanish captain in uniform, who was ostensibly a prisoner in the hands of the rebels, and also a native officer. Arriving at Guagua, the town and a small gunboat were found to be burning, and the natives evacuated the place in consequence of the bombardment.

A number of insurgent party captured a number of Filipino boats, quantity of arms, chiefly bolts and bows and arrows, besides a lot of hand instruments, which the men played as they marched back to the boats.

Captain Grant's expedition will probably return up the San Fernando river after having been reinforced by the regular army. M. L. Lawson light draught Spanish steamers.

Philippine surprised the United States forces at San Fernando in a daring trick Sunday. A railway train was run almost to the American outposts and in plain sight of the town. Before they could be reached a gang of natives sprang off the train and tore up several rail lengths of the railway track and boarded the train again and steamed away so quickly that there was no opportunity of capturing the raiders.

The Newark regiment is asking temporary relief from duty. Only 370 men of this regiment are left at the front.

THE NEGROS LOYAL.

They Are Satisfied With the Terms Offered by the United States.

New York, May 9.—A dispatch to The Journal from Hong Kong says: "The following is the bit of doggerel which Captain Coghlan recited as one of the songs his soldiers are accustomed to sing, at which Germany has protested."

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Not a Dissenting Vote Cast at the Final Passage of the Measure.

Some Sections Are Modified.

An Added Section Makes

NEWS IN BRIEF.

The Democratic National committee will meet at St. Louis, Mo., on May 31. The meeting is to discuss needs of the party.

Major L. C. Overman, of the United States army, retired, fell from a scaffold at his summer home at Nantucket, Mass., and was killed.

John Buchler, a prominent banker of Chicago, died in that city of cancer. A force of men on miners are working under guard in the mines at Altus, Ark.

Babe Bonnell was accidentally killed at Vernon, Tex., by his 19-year-old son. Twelve Italians, working on the Jerome park reservoir at New York, struck for higher wages and 100 per cent were sent to the scene upon demand of the contractors.

A score of leading plow manufacturers have about perfected a combine with a capital of \$5,000,000. The twelfth biennial session of the supreme council of Catholic Knights of America is in session at Kansas City.

The Southern Baptist convention will meet at Louisville, Ky., on Thursday. The Transmississippi Commercial congress will meet at Wichita, Kas., on May 31 and last four days.

The mammoth thrasher and engine plant of Russell & Co., at Newell, O., was destroyed by fire. Loss \$300,000. Joe Walcott knocked out Charley Johnson in 10 rounds at Philadelphia.

Albert Baumberger, a fireman, was killed and a workman fatally hurt by a falling wall at Massillon, O. Fred Bronstein was hanged at Kahoka, Mo., for wife murder.

Frank Connor, a negro, was run by a log train and cut to pieces near Winslow, Tex. The government has contracted with a Kansas City firm for 75 cars of dressed beef for Philippine troops.

The remains of Land Commissioner George W. Finger, who died at Austin, Tex., were interred Saturday at Arlington, Tex. The Sunday law is now in full force at Bonham, Tex.

Spring and Summer Dry Goods. Big Bargains. H. SCHWARTZ, Mgr.

T. & P. Ry SCHEDULE. EAST BOUND. WEST BOUND.

LOCAL NEWS. COUNTY OFFICERS. City Government.

CLYDE TRIMMINGS. May 8.—Mr. W. K. Kuykendall leaves today for a short visit to Arkansas.

Several of our young folks attended the concert at Pecan last Thursday and Friday nights. They report a good time.

Miss Alice Jones and Mr. J. A. Andrews were united in the holy bonds of wedlock on last Wednesday evening. Miss Alice is one Clyde's fairest girls and we hope for them a long and a happy life.

Miss Willie Johnson has resumed her duties at the central office at Baird. Mr. L. L. Welch has a black eye from an overload discharged from a shot gun he was shooting at a rabbit.

Mr. W. F. Pearson can be seen most any time with a smile on his face. After years digging for water he happened to tap a stream with a well auger the other day, so he is digging it out.

We hear that Uncle Mac was talking to a young lady over the phone last week. We won't tell who the young lady was, but as soon as Uncle Mac found that he was talking to a lady he asked her to excuse him for a few minutes.

Mr. T. A. Hiedose, one of Abilene's legal lights, was in town Tuesday. He said he came down to inspect Baird's water works. Yes?

Miss Blanche Thompson who has been teaching in the public school here, left last Wednesday for her home at Wheelock, Texas.

Buggies! Buggies! Just received a Car Load of Parry Mfg. Co. Buggies, CALL AND EXAMINE. Goods Right and Prices Right. Harry Meyer.

ADRIAL SHORTS. Notions, crockery, glassware, etc. at Racket Store. Kill out your ams. For 25 cents you can get the preparation at R. Phillips.

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Mr. G. W. Weeks sold his 1, 2 and 3 year old males last week to Mr. Lee Hadley. We fell to get the price paid.

George Clifford, who attended the Weatherford college last winter, returned home last week. He had the measles and could not study.

Messrs. Martin and Bennett went to hear the joint debate between the Cottonwood and Flag Springs lycums last Saturday night. We do not know which carried off the blue ribbon, but it was the last debate until next winter.

Mr. R. Cordwell moved a bunch of cows and calves from his winter pasture on the bayou to his spring and summer pasture near Spring Gap, last Saturday.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS. E. E. SOLOMON, Attorney-at-Law. Office in the J. L. Lee building. BAIRD, TEXAS.

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ADVERTISERS who want space on 1st and 4th page of THE STAR or day change in ads on these two pages must notify us on Tuesday. Orders for ads or change for ads on 2nd and 3rd pages must be given not later than Wednesday evening each week. No change will be made in ad, nor will any ad be discontinued for the current week unless this rule is complied with.

We must have sometime to make up forms, and to wait until the very last minute to order a large ad or to change in same not only works an unnecessary hardship on the foreman, but often delays the press work for several hours and frequently we are forced to run the press after night because some advertiser delayed sending copy for his ad until the paper was up or took a notion at the last moment to order his ad out. A little forethought on the part of advertiser will save us unnecessary work and enable us to give them better service.

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cent jewels, when Mr. Sloane appeared. Mr. Sloane was furious and, as he found in the box men who had been forbidden to his house. In the midst of the loud talk Mrs. Belmont left the box. She drove home and sent for her brother, Herbert D. Robbins. When he heard of what had occurred Mr. Robbins rushed furiously upon Mr. Sloane and denounced him. Mr. Sloane left the house, took a room at the Waldorf-Astoria and subsequently went to live in the Hotel Buckingham.

The formal announcement of the separation was made on Dec. 20, and it made a great stir. The name of Perry Belmont was immediately mentioned, and that he had given his wife the Seventy-second street home. At that time Mrs. Belmont was suffering from grip. When she recovered she went to the home of her brother at 514 Madison avenue. For a time the children remained with Mrs. Belmont. Then they went to the home of Mr. Belmont.

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WHAT IS NEEDED IN CUBA

Some Observations of Ernest Lee Conant.

REGARDS THE CUBANS AS DOGPILE.

Says Schools and Athletic Work Are Needed For the Coming Generation. Evils That Are to Be Eradicated. The Labor Question—The Need of Public Bathhouses.

Ernest Lee Conant of New York, who accompanied the evacuation commission to Cuba as consul and who has since been practicing law in Havana, has been in Washington for a brief visit and has discussed certain phases of the Cuban situation with members of the administration. He regards the Cubans as a docile people, responsive to the right kind of treatment, but recognizes the fact that the mode of life and habits of thought which have been bred into the people of the island for many generations cannot be set aside in a day. It is human nature to resist the demand for a complete and instantaneous reversal of all the ideas one has acquired by inheritance and training. "But the Cuban will come to it," says Mr. Conant to a correspondent, "and when he has taken up the new order of things he will feel as if he had had the same surroundings and the same ways all his life.

"In the city of Havana, where I am best acquainted with the local conditions, the crying demand is for schools on the American pattern, both public and private; for fine parks for popular recreation—a positive necessity in that climate and for public baths. I do not speak of an improved sewerage system and other sanitary measures that fall within the domain of the engineers; what I refer to is the satisfaction of the moral needs of the people, using the term in its broadest sense.

"The Cuban youth, they should be taught to be a better and more self-respecting man if he can be once taught the comfort of a clean body."

Special to New York Post.

HISTORICAL PAINTING SOLD.

Mr. Erick Pays \$20,000 For Charles Moore's painting the Protectors.

The historical painting of the signing of the Spanish American peace treaty, by the noted French artist, Chartran, for which President McKinley, ex-Secretary Day and Ambassador Camben have recently been sitting, has been sold to Mr. Erick, head of the Carnegie Iron works, for \$20,000.

Judge Day sat for two days recently, at the French embassy, his being the last of the figures to be inserted in the picture. The canvas is still in an embryonic form, but with the completion of the figure outlines, the artist will take it to Paris for completion. The picture is about eight feet long by six feet wide and gives a life size representation of the group. It shows Ambassador Camben signing the instrument, while by his side, closely observing the act, is Secretary Day. The president stands back of the desk, with a grave expression of countenance, while farther back are Assistant Secretaries of State Moore, Adee and Crider, and Mr. Fishbein of the French Embassy. The portrait of Judge Day is particularly striking as a likeness, and the former secretary expresses himself as much pleased with it.

The president is shown in a characteristic attitude, with the right arm extended, and two fingers pointed on the desk before him. The group is quite unlike any of the photographic representations of the event which have been made, many of the lesser figures being omitted, while the artist has idealized the subject so as to give it that impressive seriousness which the actual event had in restoring two warring nations to a condition of peace.

Before being delivered to Mr. Erick the picture will be taken from Paris to London and there exhibited.—Washington Post.

The Eagle Killed the Deer.

Lewis Breyer, employed in a lumber camp north of Arbor Vitae, Wis., witnessed the strange spectacle of an eagle killing a deer recently. The great bird swooped down on the gentle deer in the forest and with one stroke of its talons cut the deer's jugular vein, and the deer soon died to death. The eagle endeavored to carry off its victim, but the carcass was too heavy, and after dragging it about a rod left it and soon returned with two more, and the three devoured about half of the deer.—Merill (Wis.) Cor. Chicago Record.

For Ready Reference.

Mr. Carnegie's checkbook is the most impressive literary work in the country.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Day and George.

We was raised up boys together. Mo on Dewey. People said 'Twas a hard condemn whether George or Dewey was ahead.

The boys all seemed to sort of fear us in a school day.

As the eagle-well, you'd see 'em sit on a stool.

Smile like they thought that we was twin angels, him an me.

We was reckoned as the leaders in the frolics on the run. Every moral mischief breeder Never was allowed to run. Every blooded day-castin' Upon us, study hours a-pottin' In our time for keeps to we Got a standin' at the head 'O' the school—that 'n the dead!

Every body had an idea We'd be heroes up to, We we both had bonny 544 Rhythmic and beautiful great. Teacher used to 'er tell us In a proud, admiring way, 'Twas both to us, as it follows 'D be president some day, We thought ourselves we might Rise to something out of sight.

But our taste become divided. George, he bankered for the sea While I sensible decided. Law was good enough for me. When it come the time for partin', 'George,' says I, 'take lofty aim. Here is where we make a startin' For the princely of fame.' An he answered, 'Dewey, we'll Give long there where a cat!'

It's a long time realize 'O' our dream, but now the level Seems chuck full an still arisin'— We have reached the shinin' goal! Push the partners, George an Dewey, Got there stick an safe peace! We's a side in the party. I'm a justice 'o' the peace. An there ain't no tellin' how Rich we'll get, we started over!—Denver Post.