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HOW ABOUT IT?

ARE YOU GOING TO NEED A NICE BUSINESS SUIT?

If So Take a Look at These

\$2.50 \$4.00 \$6.00 and \$7.50 Suits.

ARE YOU GOING TO NEED A NICE DRESS SUIT?

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Can Suit or Fit Anybody.

SHOES. Hamilton Brown's \$5.00 Kangaroo Shoe reduced to \$3.00. All of Hamilton Brown's and Brown's Shoe Co. Shoes reduced to \$2.00.



The finest line of trunks ever brought to Baird, prices all the way from \$2.00 to \$8.00. See them.

I have more dress shirts than any one else and will sell you a genuine \$1.50 dress shirt for \$1.00.



-T. M. POWELL-

MILLINERY. Mrs. Bowden is making the nice hat ever seen in Baird for 75 ct. and \$1.25 this is the best bargain ever offered.

LADIES. For very stylish goods see our line of 20 century shoes. Fine dress shoes in wool and silk Very fine suit and stylish hat, if you want a wedding outfit call on me.
Misses fine shoes reduced from \$1.00 to 75 cents.
Misses heavy shoes reduced from 75 cents to 60 cents. Call and see them.
Big line of dress goods, former price 12 1/2 to 15, now 7 1/2 and 8 1/2.

DEEP CREEK DOTS.

July 21.—Died on July 18, at his residence on Deep Creek, Mr. W. L. Walker.

According to the best estimates deceased was born in Virginia about 96 years ago and was the oldest man not only in Callahan county but in the whole state of Texas. He was afterwards a citizen of Tennessee and Mississippi and moved to the Lone Star state 20 years ago. Since that time he was an inhabitant of Callahan county and Deep Creek Valley, and his family—as he was familiarly known—was a good citizen in the best and widest meaning of the word and to his family and true to his church. He led a straight and upright life whose guiding stars were honesty and integrity. He was firm in his opinions and since he cast his first vote in 1824 for Andrew Jackson he always stood solid with the democratic party never missing an election and never scratching the regular ticket. Feudalism prevented him from attending the primaries this spring for the first time and that day was a day of genuine sorrow for the old gentleman.

Endowed with a powerful constitution he enjoyed the best health and really did not know anything in the way of disease until about a year ago. Even when 95 years of age he was one of the most active and industrious men I ever saw, with him work was not a curse bestowed on humanity by the punishing hand of the Creator, but a blessing and sacred duty. And when finally nature demanded her rights it disturbed more than anything else the comeliness of his mind that he could not do a full day's work as before and the enforced idleness was really a torture for him.

In his last sickness he was confined to his bed for only six weeks, but it was a hard struggle. The wonderful strength of his organs during life with tenacity and the vital forces ebbed slowly away until the immortal soul was freed from the mortal clay. Mr. W. was married three times and

leaves to mourn his loss a faithful and devoted wife, five sons, one daughter and one step-daughter besides a great number of other descendants and relatives.

The burial took place at our graveyard on Sunday 19, inst. The Masonic Lodge of Baird, to which order deceased had belonged for more than 60 years, appeared with full rank to pay the last tribute. Rev. Carter of Cottonwood offered a fervent prayer and gave a lived sketch of the life of the departed brother whose usually character and christian virtue should be an example for the surviving. Under the impressive rites of the order the body of the tired wanderer was bedded in his last resting place.

The whole community had shown in every way their profound and sincere sympathy during the illness and to tender the last honors turned out in full force. There was not one place on Deep Creek that was not represented at the burial and this general mourning ought to be a consolation for the bereaved family.

The parish of Deep Creek has left us and is gone to a better land but we hope that the living and growing generation may take a lasting inspiration from such a pure honest and industrious life.

Prof. A. Martin opened a subscription school at Cedar Grove last Saturday under the auspices of the Methodist church.

We omitted so far to report that Mr. Will and Mrs. Emma Dawkins are attending the Normal school while Prof. T. D. A. Johns, their brother, is one of the teachers of that institution. Mr. Dawkins, Sr. is a practical and progressive man and shows his sound judgment by giving to his children every opportunity to arm themselves

with a good solid education for the battle of life. Married on the 19, inst. Mr. W. O. Mathy and Miss Estelle Beasley. Rev. Ford officiating. We are sorry to see another member leave the ranks of the happy (?) bachelors, but Bill has always been a good boy and everybody congratulates him that he drew such a fair prize in the great matrimonial lottery. May they enjoy to the fullest extent their happiness which is founded on the sympathy and harmony of the hearts and make even the inevitable darker hours of life only strengthen the knot that was tied by love.

HOWLING COYOTES.

A newspaperman [able] to meet all kind of people, but I most confess that in a variegated experience I never encountered such a set as is now infesting the columns of the "Prodigal." It was my first intention to treat this putrid conglomerate of gross ignorance, blind prejudices, malicious lies and narrow-brained, maliciousness with silent contempt, but as they try their maddening tactics in a personal attack it is my duty to answer.

Mr. Nix after having made bitter war against the Sheriff condescends now to say that he never blamed the Sheriff for filling the jury. Nothing else than another lie if you compare his article in the Prodigal of June 19. He turns his attack against the Judge but can't help but add; the Sheriff proved that he was willing to help stock the grand jury. Now please Mr. Nix answer the following: If there had been anything irregular was done by the court was it not the duty of the District Attorney to uphold strict law? And was not the Hon. H. L. Bentley of Abilene at that time district attorney, who is now the great standard bearer of the great and grand reform party in the 15 Congressional District? Why not hold him responsible instead of trying to deceive all the odium on a subordinate

officer like the Sheriff who obeyed only and had to obey orders? Mr. Nix is again very far off from the basis of truth and facts when he says that the pops distributed democratic tickets, and that was their only crime in the last election. That was and is not the issue at all. It was not a democratic ticket, but a fraudulent, spurious, counterfeit and forged ticket containing a few democratic nominees and doctored up with certain populist candidates who feeling their own feebleness hoped to slip into office by this mean and cunning scheme. It was printed in the office of the populist party, but headed "Democrat Ticket" to catch the unwary voter. It was not distributed openly, but for each box certain people were picked out, for instance in this precinct a young man who can hardly read and write and given the following instruction: You must not distribute them openly but go to the post office and slip that to the other tickets. And as a reward the young man was told to get a quart bottle of whiskey for himself. So you see liquor was not used by democrats alone, but also by candidates whose names were flourishing on the reform ticket.

As to that *Holpe* business, I advise you to see Col. Felder Meyers. He can and will possibly tell you who encouraged him first in the starting of a second populist party. It was not democrats but members of your own party.

Mr. Pete D. I bow deferentially before you as a new and shining star on the journalistic horizon, and really feel sorry that it excited your anger by declaring the use of whiskey for elector purposes a shameful nuisance. Judging others by your own standard and being your own decider in arguments you dare subject to me actions motive which I denounce emphatically as the most blatant and sinking falsehood. For more than four months I did not touch any whiskey, and even my worst enemy can

not say that I ever have been a sucker or a hypocrite.

I admire your elegant diction and your choice and refined language, but beg pardon if I do not follow you in that line. Why not try a bigger bid instead of making the Prodigal the coo-pool of your promising, but not yet half developed talents. Assisted by your prevaricating tendencies you will sure enter the halls of literary fame, that is if you do not land here in that institute that is provided for blubbering idiots—the lunatic asylum. H. B.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

Whereas the Supreme Ruler of the Universe has called from labor to rest our well beloved brother, W. E. Walker, a Master Mason for near sixty years standing, and later a member of Baird Lodge No 522 A. F. & A. M. Therefore be it

Resolved, That in the death of Bro. W. E. Walker Masonry has lost one of its most exemplary members, the church a zealous christian, society a good citizen and his family a loving husband and father.

Resolved, That we tender our sincere sympathy to the bereaved wife, children and relatives, of our deceased brother in their sorrow.

Resolved, That the Lodge be draped in mourning, and that the members wear the usual badge of mourning for the space of thirty days in memory of our deceased brother.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, with a short biographical sketch of the life of our deceased brother be recorded in our book of minutes on a page set apart exclusively for that purpose, and that a copy of these resolutions be furnished the wife of our deceased brother by the Secretary under seal of the Lodge.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished each of the county papers with a request that they publish same.
Respectfully Submitted,
J. M. HOSKINS,
R. G. POWELL,
W. E. GRIZZARD } Committee.

BAIRD, TEXAS, July 19, 1896.

Whereas God in his providence did on the 11th day of July, 1896 remove from us by death our beloved co-laborer and efficient teacher N. F. Radmore.

And whereas to us members of the Baird Sabbath school of the Cumberland Presbyterian church among whom he has so long, so well and so zealously worked being above all others fittingly show the deep love and respect in which he was held by this school and to express our sincere sorrow at his loss.

Therefore resolved by this Sabbath School that in the death of Bro. Radmore this school is deprived of its most earnest worker, kind, affable and instructive, who never lost an opportunity to point them to a nobler, happier and purer life.

Resolved that we commend his christian character, his upright walk and general christian deportment to all who desire to live a pure life and become a benefactor to mankind. He was truly a man of God.

Resolved that we tender our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family and would commend them to the God he served, the husband to the widow and father to the orphan, the only one who can in this deep sorrow give comfort to the broken hearted.

Resolved that the Baird papers be furnished a copy of these resolutions with a request to publish and a copy furnished the bereaved family and the same be preserved upon the minutes of this school.

LOU HADLEY,
MRS. WILLELL BARNHILL,
MRS. CHERA YOUNG,
Committee.

HOLINESS CAMP MEETING.

Rev. D. R. Walker, invited by Mrs. E. M. Murrell of the M. E. Church, will begin a campmeeting at Baird August 6, 1896. Everybody invited to come and participate in the meetings.

HE CLOSED THE DEBATE ON THE SILVER CLAUSE.

A speech that probably interested the masses in favor of the proposal for the Presidency - A Very Enthusiastic Presentation.

Chicago, July 15.—The debate upon the money plank in the Democratic convention... closed the debate on the silver question.

Mr. Chairman and gentlemen of the convention! I would be permissibly glad to present myself against the distinguished gentleman to whom you have listened.

It is not a question of money, but it is a question of principle. The honest citizen... the honest citizen... the honest citizen...

I shall object to bringing this question to a level of personalities. The individual is not an atom; he is born, he dies, he does, but principles are eternal.

They tell us that the income tax ought not to be brought in here; that it is a new idea. They criticize us for a new idea.

Democracy the 4th of March, 1895, a few Democrats, most of them members of congress, issued an address to the people.

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TWO PECULIAR WILLS.

ONE IS A DECIDED CONTRA TO THE OTHER.

The Darker Side of Life is Shown in the... One is a decided contra to the other.

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Big Fire at Paris.

Paris, Tex., July 21.—Paris was visited by another serious conflagration.

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The free silver advocates at this point

are waiting for it most impatiently, and do not want it at all.

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The Battle Begins Monday, No Blood to be Spilt.

BUT ONE OF THE BIGGEST SALES EVER WITNESSED IN THE CITY OF BAIRD WILL TAKE PLACE.
Bargains. Yes, Goods are Going to be Sold Regardless of Hard Times,
Scarce Money or Values.

I must make room for one of the best assorted stock of fall and winter goods ever brought to Baird, and to do this I must unload what I have now on hand. It is a united saying that I carry the **Best grade of Goods** of any firm in West Texas, and for this good reason I sell goods to Abilene, Colorado, Big Springs and many smaller places East, West, North and South.

All Millinery Goods at Half Price.
BOYS GAPS FOR 50CTS ON THE \$1.
A Good Line of Silks at 25ct Discount.
\$1.00 Silks at 75cts. 50ct Silks at 37 1-2cts.
35ct Silks at 20cts.

To every lady who buys a woolen dress from us next week we will give all linings, buttons, hooks, eyes, dress bindings, etc., which will complete the dress for the price of the goods. We also have a small stock of Ladies underwear left which we will offer at 33 1/2 per cent discount. This is a good opportunity for you to buy your gowns, chemise, drawers and vest. \$1.00 Summer corsets at 85cts. and 50ct. Summer Corsets at 40cts. Can be returned and money refunded after four weeks wear.

In Clothing an Especially in Pants

We will offer some grand big Bargains
Our rule is to sell, and we almost do so
when we catch the customer. 33

Be on hand and if you are in need of any Goods not mentioned in this ad, let us know and we will make you prices that will please you. We will make room for all. So get your money and hasten to our store. Hoping to please you every way
I remain Yours to Please

B. L. BOYDSTUN.

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Bayan will carry thirty-two states and defeat McKinley one hundred electoral votes. The republicans and pops don't believe this, but see if this prediction don't come true.

When the republicans nominated their ticket at St Louis they felt, and the country felt like McKinley had a walk over. Behold what a change in the short space of three weeks has brought.

Things political are just simply moving with a whiz these days. Old politicians are at sea, while the free silver democrats and silverites generally, except the middle-of-the-road pops, are happy.

The populist factions are warring to to beat the mischief at St. Louis. The question is shall the national populist party indorse Bryan or not and the war goes merrily on, several fights have already occurred.

Those populist who are waiting to hear from St. Louis before they decide what to do, look as lonesome as the gold standard democrats. The latter feel that they are orphans, and the populist are afraid they will soon be in the same sad, sorrowful condition.

Combination in the East to make hard times harder and to squeeze the South and West for political effect would be the very worst thing possible to the East and would be more to justify some prevalent complaints than anything else. The utmost liberality of sentiment and dealing is now the winning card for every interest of the East, with which the South is so intimately related in business affairs.—Houston Post.

The silver party at St. Louis indorsed Bryan and Sewell and the indications are that the populist will also indorse them, but there will probably be a split in the party. The populist have hit the first real snag in their party deliberations. Most of them do not know where they are at.

Round About in the Dallas News has found another man who has traveled over Texas and expresses his opinion that the silver craze is on the wane. If it keeps on the wane for the next four months like it has for the last four Bryan will carry every state in the Union. Yes, the silver craze is dying (?) out just like it has been dying since 1893.

Bryan's trip from Chicago down through Illinois and Missouri and from Missouri to his home in Lincoln, Neb., was a grand triumphal procession. Everywhere he was received by immense throngs of people and welcomed with shouts and booming cannons which attested the wild enthusiasm of the people. A new Jackson has arisen to deliver his people and Bryan is the man.

If the populist really and truly believe free and unlimited coinage of silver would help this country why should they not vote for Bryan? The democrats combined with the populist in several western states in '92 to defeat the republicans because the democrats knew they could not carry these states themselves; and it was considered good politics to defeat the republicans in that way. The populist are now in the same fix the democrats were in these states in '92. They cannot elect a president and it is extremely doubtful if they can carry a single state, therefore it would be good policy for them to assist the democrats in electing a ticket that will restore free coinage of silver. If they don't do this their professions of interest in the welfare of the country amounts to little or nothing.

The Bryan boom is gathering force with each day, and it looks as though the hand of fate was guiding the destiny of the democratic party. Cleveland had made such a mess of the old party that the Lord in pity seems to have come to the rescue of the party to use it as a means of saving the country.

The south has 148 electoral votes and the west has 74; a total of 222. Necessary to elect 224. The south and west are going solid for Bryan and he will only have to get two more votes, and they must come from Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Wisconsin or Iowa. He will get them, and we would not be surprised if he carried every state named.

The gold advocates think the silver mine owners are freebooters and the gold mine owners angles. Why this difference? They say the silver mine owner wants the government to take 50 cts worth of bullion and make him a dollar. Exactly; but then the gold advocates say the dollar will only be worth 50 cts just what it is worth now so where does the profit to the silver mine owner come in under free coinage? All this row about the Silver Kings, silver mine owners, and so on, is to throw dust in the eyes of the people so that they cannot see the real issue; which is a single gold standard and a contraction of the money of the country, versus a double standard of gold and silver and more money for the people. If all the nints in the United States were to run day and night they could never coin more money than this country needs.

The fight is on between the gold and silver forces in this country and before the election the gold standard advocates will be fighting under the McKinley banner and those who favor gold and silver will be for Bryan. There will be exceptions of course, but in the main that is the way the opposing factions will arraign themselves; no matter what the populist convention at St. Louis does this week. It is really immaterial whether the populist indorse Bryan or not, in most of the close silver states the populist will vote for Bryan in preference to McKinley whether the national convention indorse Bryan or not. That is the way it looks now. The hand of fate is in the battle and politicians can do little to change the drift of things as much as some of them would like to do so.

McKINLEY'S RAVEN.

A friend at Abilene has sent Maj. McKinley a white raven. Thus the hoodoo pursues the republican nominee, evermore.

Will McKinley ever be president.
And dispense to friends soft snaps galore;
To rouse the faithful to deeds sublime?
Quoth the Texas Raven: Nevermore!

Will the republican party ever
Return to power, as of yore,
With class laws the country to disaveer?
Quoth that Texas Raven: Nevermore!

The cry is raised again that foreign nations will dump all the silver in the world on the United States if we adopt free coinage of silver. Such an argument is mere rot. It is based on the idea that the balance of the world wants to get rid of its silver which is not true. How much would Europe make by shipping its silver over here and having it coined into 50 cent (?) dollars when it is coined into 100 cent dollars in Europe at a ratio of 15 1-2 to 1 while our ratio is 16 to 1? This would be a grand speculation wouldn't it? Another argument is that a man can take ten thousand dollars over into Mexico and buy twenty thousand dollars in Mexican money bring it over here and have it coined by the United States and clear ten thousand dollars by the operation. This argument is based on the theory that the people of Mexico are such fools that they would never catch on to the scheme; and further that silver bullion would always remain at the present price, notwithstanding the increased demand for silver. This argument knocks in the head the other argument by the gold bugs that the silver dollar under free coinage would only be worth 50 cents. This dumping of foreign silver on this country is not going to hurt us. If they do dump it over here they will exchange it for something we have to sell and we will see the greatest boom in our trade with foreign nations ever witnessed in this country. The gold bugs don't believe any such rot; because if half of them that use it believe it they would be whooping for free silver, because they would all get rich in a year or two by buying and selling foreign coins. Don't you see there is nothing in it!

L. O. OLIVER'S MEAT MARKET.

Beef, Pork, Mutton, Lard, Tallow, Sausage.

East Side Market Street opposite T. E. Powell's.
Baird, Texas.



Do You Carry Insurance?
J. H. PETERS,
General Insurance Agent
and Notary Public.

Over \$125,000,000 Capital Represented.

The Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association of New York, Capital	\$48,000,000 00
Liverpool and London and Globe	\$5,000,000 00
Hartford, of Hartford	5,000,000 00
Continental of New York	7,000,000 00
American Central of St. Louis, Mo.	7,000,000 00
Mechanic and Traders	7,000,000 00
Fidelity & Casualty Accident of New York	1,000,000 00

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Aetna Livestock, of Glen's Falls, New York.
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THE FINEST

Whiskeys, Alcohols, California Wines,
Ice Cold Beer and Best Cigars
IN THE CITY.
It Costs You Nothing for Jugs.

Call and see me, my place is quiet and pleasant and all goods guaranteed.
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DRUGS.	PERFUME.
PAINTS.	JEWELRY
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Prescriptions Carefully Compounded

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

COUNTY DEMOCRATIC TICKET

For County Judge.
J. H. WOOD.

For District and County Clerk.
W. W. DUNSON.

For County Treasurer.
T. B. HOLLAND.

For Tax Assessor.
T. J. NORRELL.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector.
J. W. JONES.

For County Attorney.
B. L. RUSSELL.

For Inspector.
W. C. ASBURY.

For Public Weigher.
W. M. COFFMAN.

For County Surveyor.
M. R. HAILEY.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 1.
W. A. HINDS.

POPULIST NOMINEES.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector.
W. E. (Walter) GILLIT.

For County and District Clerk.
H. C. DARDEN.

For County Treasurer.
JOHN SURLS.

For Tax Assessor.
J. M. HOUSTON.

INDEPENDENT CANDIDATES.

We are authorized to announce DR. S. T. FRASER as a candidate for County and District Clerk; subject to the people.

LOCAL NEWS.

Try Trents dairy this month. 33 2t
Mr. Trent will appreciate your trade

Herry Meyer is making some improvements on his warehouses.

J. C. Maxwell, one of our jewelers has moved to Snyder.

Buy your milk and butter from John Trent 33 2t

Boys don't forget that "Old Jeff Dean is still in the grocery business. 33

Sam Thomason, from Cottonwood, was in the city Wednesday after lumber.

\$5 "Cash" buys a \$7.50 single buggy harness from Boyles; call and see them. 31 3t.

Dolphus Robinson, one of Cottonwood's hustling business men was in the city, Thursday.

Now is the time to buy your buggy harness and Boyles is the man to buy from. 31 3t

Ladies low cut shoes at 60cts, 85cts. and up. Other goods as low as the lowest at H. F. Foy's. 32tf

Dick Cochran returned from St Louis, Tuesday wheae he went with cattle for Capt. J. W. Jones.

See Harry Meyers ad in another column. Call and examine his new line of anti-rust tinware.

Mrs. Stallings and Miss Jennie Harris, of Deep Creek, were pleasant callers at THE STAR office Wednesday.

See B. L. Boydstuns big ad in this issue and don't fail to give him a call whez. in need of anything in his line.

J. B. Harris says a Bryan democrat arrived at his house on the 14th inst. That's the kind of boys to save the country.

There are some terrific political discussions on the streets these days and the Dog Days not here yet. My, my, my!

See the ad of Thos. Goggan & Bro. of Galveston and Dallas, in another column and when in need of musical instruments give them a trial.

There was a picnic and fish fry out at Mr. H. E. Jones' ranch last week, which all who attended say was a very enjoyable affair. Fishing parties are so numerous these days that it is impossible to keep up with them.

Prof. Collier, president of Buffalo Gap college delivered a lecture on "Education" at the Cumberland church Monday night. Prof. Collier is an educator of wide experience and will no doubt succeed in building up a good school at the beautiful little town of Buffalo Gap.

Trent's milk and butter are kept nice and clean 35 2t
Now you can get plenty of crop and chattle mortgages at THE STAR office.

Tom Stayton and Rusk Williams have been grading Market street this week.

Andy Young, the well known Coleman county cow man, was in town last Saturday.

Ellis Richardson has closed his meat market for awhile. He will open up again in September.

Bill Hughes, Newt Ferguson of Coleman county and Tom Windham of Tecumseh were in town shipping cattle Tuesday.

Col. J. G. James, of Austin, is visiting his brother, Gen. F. W. James. Col James will perhaps remain here a month or more.

Leo Estes has gone back to his old trade, blacksmithing. He is striking for W. L. Henry, Baird's old time blacksmith.

I will pay you cash or exchange you flour for your wheat. J. NORTON. 31 tf
Sheriff Hadley arrested Emmons and Jaqueth, two young men living near Putnam, last Saturday, and lodged them in jail or a charge of horse stealing.

Jaun S. Hart, of El Paso, Representative Beall, of Sweetwater and several other delegates of the Henrietta Congressional Convention passed through on the west bound train Tuesday.

The Baird Band will give a sacred concert in the near future. It should be well patronized by the citizens, as the Band is self supporting and wish to purchase a new set of instruments soon.

J. M. Mitchell and Cal Norris of Waxahachie are on a visit to W. L. Mitchell near Clyde this week. The boys express themselves as well pleased with this part of the wild and wooley west.

The Chicago convention is of considerable interest, but if you need anything in the harness line it will be to your interest to *convene* with Boyles. 31 3t

Hugh Tatum, son of J. W. Tatum, of Deep Creek had the misfortune to get an arm broken Tuesday, by being thrown from a horse. Dr. Powell was called in and set the broken arm assisted by "Dr." Nelson.

All persons are forbidden to hunt or fish on the —BQ ranch and any person so hunting, fishing, using dynamite or turning in any stock will be vigorously prosecuted. The lands of said ranch are posted. F. S. Bell. 28

I will give you in exchange for all good wheat 27 lbs High Patent or 33 1-3 lbs Second Grade flour for each bushel. J. NORTON. 31 tf

W. F. Walker, "Uncle Billy," the oldest man in the county if not in the state, died last Saturday evening. He was made a Master Mason about sixty years ago and was a member of Baird Lodge No 522 A. F. & A. M. and was buried with Masonic honors by that Lodge Sunday evening. See full account by our Deep Creek correspondent.

C. S. Boyles went to St Louis this week, and Ed Coppins is holding down the saddlery business. So many asked Mr. Coppins where the proprietor was that he now keeps chalked down on the sidewalk in several places "C. S. Boyles has gone to St Louis." If you ask Mr. Coppins now where the Boss is he points to the sidewalk sign gives a grunt and a look which might mean I wish you was in—

Col. Meyers had the misfortune to "pie" one page of his paper, the "Times" on his way to THE STAR office to have the press work done last Friday evening. No one can have any idea what a lot of trouble it is to have a page of type mixed up in a heap just as you are ready to go to press. By patching up and using some of THE STAR's locals he managed to get out his paper, but has been nearly all week sorting type and may not be able to get out his paper this week.

Sheriff Hadley received a telegram late Wednesday night from Cisco to arrest a runaway couple. Soon after the telegram was received the couple arrived in town and were captured by the sheriff; later the father and friends of the girl arrived and carried her back home and left the would-be-bridgroom, all forlorn and alone in Baird. The girl was only about 14 years old and how they expected to get license is not known. We could not learn the names of any of the parties.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

See Powell's ad on 1st page 9 tf

For a good shave go to Geo. Dean. Patronize Geo. Dean's barber chair.

—For real bargains go to Stern's. 8tf

6 ft. buggy whips only 10 cts at Boyles. 31 3t.

See Powell's cut rates on clothing. Ad 1st page. 5 tf

WANTED—A load of wood on subscription.

See those fly nets at Boyles. \$1.50 \$2.00 and \$2.50. 31 3t.

For nice fresh meats go to L. O. Oliver's. 29 tf.

Summer lap dusters all styles and prices at Boyles. 31 3t

16lbs. good evaporated peaches for \$1.00 at Jeff Dean's. 29tf

Double buggy harness complete for \$12.60 cash at Boyles. 31 3t

I will sell you a genuine \$1.50 dress shirt for \$1. Powell. 27tf

—Furniture and coffins at Sterns, H Schwartz, manager. 8tf.

When in need of nice, clean, clear printing call at THE STAR.

You can get embroidery at Powell's at half price. Call and see. 21tf

When you want any printing done bring it to THE STAR office.

White German millet seed at Jeff Dean's for 50 cents per bushel. 30 tf.

Hamilton Brown and Brown Shoe Co. \$3.00 reduced to \$2. Powell. 27

Do you want some nice visiting cards? If so call at THE STAR office

A fine line of visiting and business cards at THE STAR office. Call and see them.

For pure Jersey milk and butter look out for the Baird City Dairy wagon. 28tf.

Big line of Dress Goods, former price 12 1-2 and 15 cents, now 7 1-2 and 8 1-3. Powell. 27tf

I sell goods at give away prices. If you don't believe it, call and see. H. Schwartz 22 tf

Come to my store for fresh groceries. All goods brand new. T. J. Dean. 26 tf

Single buggy harness complete only \$5 cash at Boyles—no credit at these prices. 31 3t

When you want pure Jersey milk and butter look out for the Baird City Dairy wagon. 28tf

Powell has more dress shirts and cheaper than any one and is very anxious to sell. Call and see. 27tf

Go to T. J. Dean's for cheap groceries, laces, tinware and racket goods cheap for cash. Give him 10tf

The Highest Cash Price paid for your wheat. 26tf J. NORTON:

A general stock of Furnishing Goods, Notions and Groceries at the Racket Store. Prices to please all 41

I am closing out all my Hamilton Brown and Brown Shoe Co. shoes at 25 per cent less than former price. 27tf T. E. Powell.

Baird Chapter No. 141 O. E. S meets on the first and third Monday nights at Masonic Hall. All cordially invited. MRS. AMELIA CROSS W. M.

L. O. Oliver has opened up a meat market opposite T. E. Powell's on Market street, and will serve the public with the best of fresh meats. 29tf

Mrs. E. K. Kane, at the Ogle residence has fresh bread for sale every day. She will also supply fishing parties with bread. Leave your order with her. 23

It will pay you to contract your wheat before bringing to town. It will save you money and time. 26tf J. NORTON.

All milk at Baird City Dairy aerated and delivered in air tight bottles. Try it this hot weather 29tf

Owing to the small crop of wheat. I will only buy Wednesday and Thursday of each week as I wish to load direct from wagon to cars. J. NORTON. 26tf

WANTED:—A salesman in this county, to sell the trade a line of staple goods, handled by every store. Must be energetic. Good salary to right man. Send references, as goods are sold on time. Address G. W. T. Co. Drawer B. Greensboro, N. C. 29 4t

PROFESSIONAL CARDS.

OTIS BOWYER,
ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,

Practices in all our State and Federal Courts.

BAIRD, - - - TEXAS.

MARTIN BARNHILL
Boot and Shoemaker.
Repairing Promptly and Neatly Executed.
Prices to Suit the Times.

Market Street. [6] Baird, Texas.

R. G. POWELL,
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.
Office fourth door south of the Bank.
Baird, Texas

D. J. WILSON.
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON.
Local Surgeon for T. and P. Ry.
Also City and County Physician.
All professional calls promptly answered.
Office first building west of STAR office.

DR. C. C. COOKE,
DENTIST.
All Work Scientifically Attended To.
West Side Market Street, Baird, Texas.

NOTICE.

This week we begin sending out bills due on subscription. This is a hard time to get money and we know some of our subscribers cannot pay now; but others can pay just as well now as any time. Not knowing who can or who cannot pay we are going to keep on sending bills till all are notified. If any one should get a bill in this paper we will take it as a great favor if they will remit at once, as we have bills due that *must* be paid or we cannot get out a paper. If one really cannot pay now we will not think hard of them, but if our subscribers really knew how badly we needed it and what a great relief it would be to us to collect even 25 cts on the dollar on the vast amount (for us) due on subscription we believe every one would use extra exertion to pay at least something. It is hard to keep so many small accounts correct and we may send some one a bill who has paid. Is so corrections will be promptly made. Help us out a little bit if you can THE STAR has never crowded any one on accounts and have waited years on some. We don't need much money, but must have a little occasionally or the machine will stop.

Prof. Posten, of Weatherford College, was in town yesterday.

C. L. Gunn returned last week, from a trip to his old home in Belle county.

Mrs. Yoakum's little daughter fell and hurt her arm last week rather seriously, though no bones were broken as was first believed.

Henry Rodgers hurt himself lifting a barrel of lime out west a few days ago and suffered a great deal from the strain, but was better at last accounts.

Wm. Daniels has put in water works at his residence in the north part of town. Others are talking of putting in similar plants, as this appears to be the only way one will get water works in Baird for years to come.

Among the Baird party who attend the funeral at Deep Creek last Sunday was R. A. St John, the robust member of the Drug firm of Nelson & St John. A young man present pointing to St John asked his companion who that blamed dude was from Baird. His friend told him that it was R. A. St John the druggist and that he was no dude. "That is St John is it? Why I expected to see a long haired, old style farmer looking person and here he is dressed up like a dude" The funny part of it was Saint was dressed in a suit of penitentiary goods with a narrow brim cloth hat on his dome of thought, the whole outfit perhaps cost about three dollars and a quarter, but the young man took him for a dude. Well!

Mr. A. Carter is putting up a windmill at his feed store for the purpose of grinding feed.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Burns returned to their home at Big Springs this week.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Harris, Marion Terry and others from Buchenville were in town Wednesday.

Editor Wilson of the Prodigal is reported on the sick list this week.

Anti-Rust TINWARE.

—CONSISTING OF—

Buckets, Coffee Pots, Tea Pots and Wash Pans.

These Goods Are Guaranteed Not To Rust.

Harry Meyer.

S. M. Moon & Co.

(Successors to Moon & Crowder.)
DEALERS IN

Lumber, Shingles, Sash, Doors, MOULDING, CEMENT, PAINT AND CEDAR POST.

BAIRD, - - - TEXAS

We have to Eat.

D. W. Wristen & Co

DEAL IN FRESH GROCERIES

HE WILL TREA YOU RIGHT.

JUST RECEIVED
NEW STOCK OF SPRING AND SUMMER

Dry Goods.

Shoes and Slippers.

Full Stock of Furniture and Undertakers Goods Always on Hand.

I am anxious to sell and ask for your trade. Prices always the lowest. Come to see me and I will please you. Leo Stern. H. SCHWARTZ, Mgr.

Crystal Palace.

J. B. SEAY, PROP.

COOL, PLEASANT AN QUIET.

THE BEST Beer, liquors and cigars. IN THE CITY.

OPPOSITE DEPOT.

DON'T BE FOOLED
into buying spurious imitations of

B.T. BABBITT'S POTASH

Sold under similar names and labels.

THE BEST AND PUREST
PUT UP IN
WHITE TIN CANS
containing one pound full weight
is manufactured only by

B.T. BABBITT
NEW YORK CITY

has stood the test for over 50 years

POPULISTS CONVENE.

BUTLER WAS SELECTED TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN.

The National Committee takes up the various contests before the convention, everything is done among the middle of the road men.

St. Louis, Mo., July 22.—The Populist national committee was to have met at 10 o'clock yesterday, but it was almost 2 o'clock before the delegates got to work. Mr. Taubeneck occupied the chair and Messrs. McFarlin and Hayes were in the secretary's office. The principal work of the committee was the selection of temporary chairman, and the settlement of contests for seats, but these matters were postponed in order to allow the committee to pass upon other less important questions.

There was a difference in the understanding as to the proper appointment of delegates from some of the states. It appeared that most of the states had fewer votes than they were entitled to and one or two more than was their due.

The determination of these questions made necessary a general explanation of the basis of apportionment and called for a number of speeches which occupied considerable time. There were also some matters which made necessary a general explanation and several changes were made in most cases, however, the representation was changed only to the extent of one or two seats. The delegation from Missouri was increased from 95 to 103. The representation in each of the southern and District of Columbia states was increased from 10 to 15. The representation in each of the western states was put on the basis of a state because of nine votes. A state because of nine votes. The vote cast there and given nine votes. After disposing of this matter the committee took a recess until 2 o'clock.

The Populist national committee decided upon Senator Butler of North Carolina for its permanent chairman. The selection was effected without much apparent opposition, but the name was a severe element present, but the name was a severe element present, but the name was a severe element present.

His selection is favored as a victory in the committee, at least, for those who are opposed to the nomination of both Bryan and Sewall. It was at first the plan of the Bryan people to put Weaver for the position, but they changed at the last moment to Gooden of Virginia, who is the presidential ticket with Gen. Weaver four years ago. They believed that the opening faction would be the one to support Butler and Mr. Hines of Georgia.

Mr. Hines was, however, not placed in nomination, leaving the struggle until upon Senator Butler, who was placed in nomination, but when it became apparent that Hines was out of the race and when the committee had decided to put Mr. Hines to avoid the Butler nomination, Mr. Hines withdrew his name and allowed Butler to be elected by acclamation.

Senator Butler was placed in nomination by W. A. Graham of North Carolina, who engaged him as the son of a North Carolina farmer, and spoke of him as a patriot and philanthropist. He said that he was the youngest man who had ever occupied a seat in the senate since the days of Clay, and that he has won fame there most worthily.

Numerous seconding speeches were made and the nomination was approved by acclamation and a vote of 99 to 1.

J. W. Hayes, of the Kansas of Labor party, was chosen temporary chairman. The national committee at its afternoon session took up the various contests before the convention. The hearing the Ohio case followed. This contest the question being as to whether the convention called by the state committee or that called by the congressional committee should be the one to gather.

The national committee took the position that the congressional committee should be the one to gather, but the delegates were so divided between H. S. Taylor, the leader of the regulars, and Seymour, the leader of the opposing delegation, that neither was hurt, but it was evident that the one was likely to prevail. The case was called in to preserve the peace.

The contest from the eleventh Missouri district was decided in favor of Frank E. Hinchey, the candidate of the regulars. The minority declares that they were Democrats. John Qualls was elected from the eleventh Missouri district. The contest from the eleventh Missouri district was decided in favor of Frank E. Hinchey, the candidate of the regulars. The minority declares that they were Democrats. John Qualls was elected from the eleventh Missouri district.

The French government is about to issue a decree increasing the duties on foreign raw sugar from 7 francs to 10 francs. The tariff on refined sugar from 8 francs to 10 francs.

A reign of terror exists in Sedona, Meigs and Hancock Co., where a small band of desperadoes are committing depredations and defying the authorities.

The Henry H. Hunt, Trading House, Philadelphia, has made an agreement. 15-shilling \$100,000, to \$100,000.

IT IS DECLINING FAST.

GOLD RESERVE NOW LOW AND IS STILL FALLING.

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MOVEMENT OF TRAINS.

INSURGENTS DYNAMITE A TRAIN NEAR PRINCETON.

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