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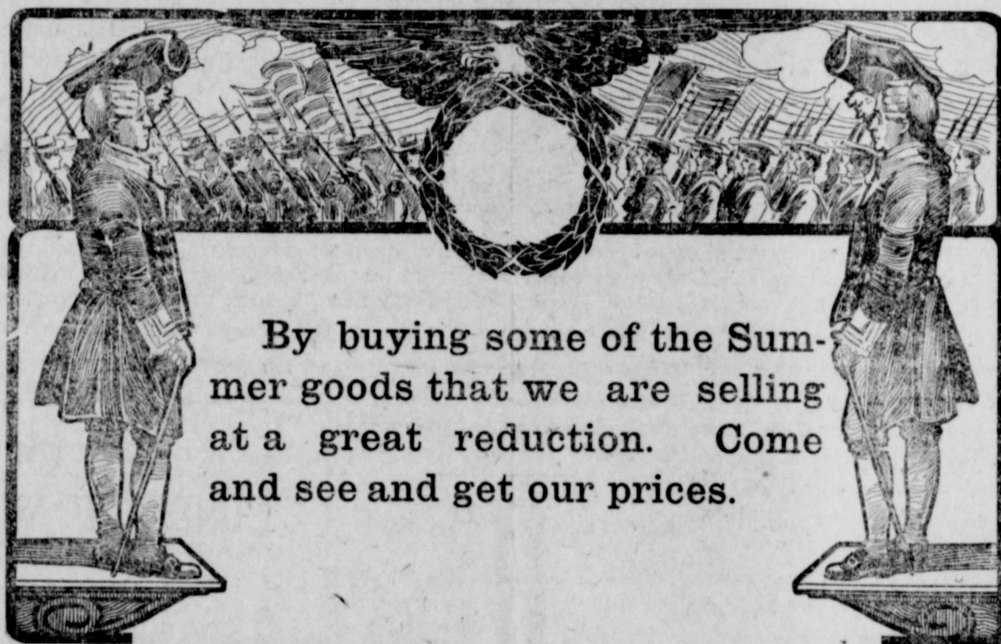
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"TIS NEITHER BIRTH NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE, BUT THE GIT-UP-AND-GIT THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

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Be Prepared for the 4th of July



By buying some of the Summer goods that we are selling at a great reduction. Come and see and get our prices.

Dry Goods,
Clothing
and Shoes.

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BAIRD, TEXAS.

Groceries
and
Implements

F. B. Magee, of Eagle Cove, was in town Tuesday.

Squire J. F. Barton, of Tecumseh spent a day or two in town this week

H. Windham, of Tecumseh, was in town on business this week.

Phillip Yost, candidate for Commissioner Precinct No. 2, was in town the first of the week.

Mrs. Jack Duffus and little son, John Trent, of Durango, Mexico, are visiting Mrs. Duffus' parents, Capt. and Mrs. John Trent.

The Commissioners Court finished up the work of examining the tax renditions, yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowery Blakely south of Belle Plaine were in town Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Walker and children are visiting J. C. Walker and family at Rochester, Haskell county this week.

Geo. W. Weeks, Jimmie Maltby, John Walker, and Billy Smartt, of Admiral, were in town yesterday.

"Play Ball" is about all you can hear at Baird now.

Fred Foy, who graduated at the A. & M. College a few days ago, returned home Tuesday night.

A burglar was discovered in I. N. Jackson's residence Wednesday night but made his escape.

S. S. Ramsey, H. H. Ramsey and boys, started north Wednesday on a fishing trip, but we did not learn the destination of the party.

Prof. J. E. Smith, Misses Alice Floyd and Willie Gilliland are attending the Abilene Summer Normal

Mrs. Jno. Collier, Mr. and Mrs. Speer, of Dallas, left Wednesday for an extended trip through California.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Cutbirth and family, of Stiles, are here on a visit to their relatives.

B. F. Austin, B. L. Russell, R. D. Green and H. O. Powell are spending a few days on the Bayou this week fishing.

Mrs. Ada Powell returned from Weatherford Tuesday.

Master J. C. Estes is spending a few weeks with his grandparents and other relatives near Anson.

Miss Jennie Harris and Miss Dulcie Robinson, of Admial, were in town Thursday.

Mrs. J. K. Price and children returned home last Saturday from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Lowery Blakely and Capt. and Mrs. J. W. Jones on the Bayou.

Special Lumber Sale!

During these times of stringency, while the dealers in other lines are spreading the sweets to catch the summer buzzing bees, we will fling to the breeze the most attractive Low Price Flag in the **Material and Builders Line**, that has greeted your optics in several years. Now lend us your patient ear, and we'll sing you a siren's song, that will please the most fastidious, and that contains not a single false or discordant note. We will try to be perfectly frank with you. We offer about two-thirds of our stock at a reduction of 25 to 50 per cent during the next five weeks, from Monday, June 22, to Saturday, July 25th, on the following plain, easily understood conditions, that are fair and easily complied with. All the restrictions are that the bill must be for \$5.00 or more, and must be accompanied by the Cash. Our reasons for the move are that we have a large stock and that we **Need the Money**. Below is attached a list of the goods offered and the prices. On all other stock in the yard a reduction of ten per cent. All the stock is **Good Lumber**.

Boards No. 2, 1x12, and No. 1, 1x10, 1x8 at \$20.00 per M. 2x6 at \$19.00 per M. 2x4, 2x8, 1x6, 1x4 at \$21.00 per M. A good shingle at \$3.00 per M. Best Finish Lumber (except 1x12) at \$35.00 per M. Ship Lap No. 2 and 2x10 No. 1 at \$22.50 per M. Several thousand feet of culled lumber, as good as any, but odd lengths, will build hen houses, sheds granaries, etc. at \$15.00 per M. The only restriction we reserve in furnishing a bill is not to be required to put in more than \$5.00 worth of any one kind, as it would run us out of staple stock, unless necessary to build a house. This would not likely happen. This is a big bargain and will pay you to come and see.

We will sell bills on fall time to responsible parties, at figures slightly above quoted prices. In fact we have never stopped selling to good people on time, notwithstanding false statements of designing parties to the contrary. You may secure bills at these prices by making a payment down, with privilege of taking out the stock later. Make your arrangements NOW. Get the stuff LATER ON. We are going to put in new stock as the season advances, but age doesn't deteriorate lumber. Mark the prediction LUMBER WILL ADVANCE soon. Come in now. "Fair treatment to all." The old reliable.

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R. B. SPENCER & CO.

"The conscience of the Nation is now aroused and will, if honestly appealed to, free the Government from the grip of those who have made it a business asset of the favor-seeking corporations; it must become a "Government of the people, by the people and for the people," and be administered in its departments according to the Jefferson maxim, "Equal rights to all; special privileges to none."

The public official is a public servant and owes to his people an undivided allegiance, and we are unalterably opposed to public officials accepting employment from or performing service for trust monopolies and all other concerns whose interests are adverse to the interests of the people or the representing of predatory wealth for fees, favors or financial advantage.

This principle is fundamental and essential, and the contention for it can not be ended until all our officers acknowledge its supremacy and conform their conduct to it. And public officers, either State or National, have no right to appear before the Legislature or departments or boards as the paid representative or attorney of any concern of interest which seeks favors at their hands, and such practice ought to be prohibited by law.

The people have a right in a proper and legitimate way to have any kind of an amendment to the constitution submitted to the people. No democrat can successfully deny this. Had the pros got up their petition for a state prohibition amendment just as they did twenty-one years ago there would have been little opposition to it, and many who oppose dragging the question into the democratic primary will vote against it, who would not sign a petition against it or oppose it before the legislature. As the question comes up now we cannot see how a democrat who opposes state prohibition, can consistently vote for submission because notwithstanding all protestation to the contrary, the pros will contend next year that the party having submitted the question it has by that act indorsed state prohibition. The pros have insisted on making it a party issue and on that they must stand or fall. If a majority of the democrats vote for submission the pro speakers and press will go before the people and claim the party has indorsed state-wide prohibition and every anti who opposes it will be charged with fighting against his party platform, just as lots of Baileys claimed in the last primary that the opposition to Bailey was opposition to organized democracy, because, forsooth Bailey was a United States senator and to oppose him was opposing the party. The claim was ludicrous, but caught lots of votes for Bailey. The pros will have a much more forcible argument on their side if the party votes in favor of submission because it will go in the party platform and you will hear pro speaker denouncing anti all over Texas next year as bolters. Just put this in your think cap and see if it don't come true. The pros before the committee argued that in voting submission it in no way bound the party, but that was before taking Just let the party vote to submit the question and you will see how quick the pros will change their opinion, and claim it does bind every democrat.

The Austin Statesman, owned soul and body by the lumber trust, a subsidiary concern of the Standard Oil Trust, sneers at the country press of Texas in a superior way by saying that ninety per cent of the country press is opposed to Bailey and he won. Yet Gov. Hogg said the country press was a power. If ninety per cent of the country press of Texas oppose Bailey or any other

man there must be good reason for it because the country press, much as it is denounced by big and two-bit demagogues is nearer the people than the city press. The country press of Texas have made and unmade United States senators, congressmen, governors and members of the higher and lower courts. So if it is a fact that ninety per cent of the country press of Texas opposes Bailey and continues to do so it means inevitable defeat for him and at no distant day, unless Bailey is immune to any kind of opposition. No public man in Texas, in the past, has long withstood opposition from a majority of the country press. Hubbard for governor, Hancock for congress, Mills for the senate all went down in defeat because a majority of the country press opposed them. In the case of Col Mills the country press was divided, but a majority opposed him. THE STAR was for him, however and glad of it. The Statesman has nothing to brag about. Austin the capitol of Texas and the home of the Statesman went against Bailey by over one thousand majority.

The Statesman in attempting to discredit the country press only discredits itself. Few country weeklies in Texas met with such a disastrous defeat at home as the Statesman did in its home town and county.

In this section of the state, especially, wherever a majority of the country press championed or opposed Bailey the counties went accordingly.

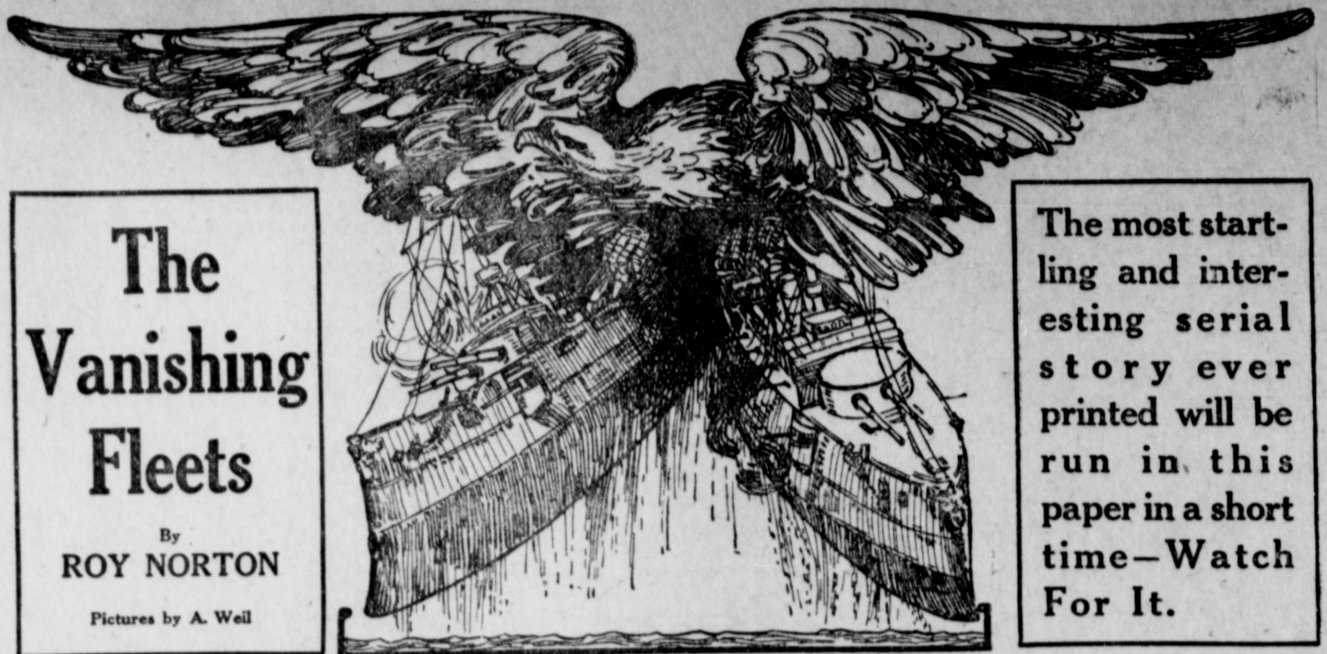
TALENTED WIFE OF ARTIST.

Louise Cox is the California wife of Kenyon Cox and a winner of a number of prizes as an artist in her own name. She paints small decorative pictures and portraits, mostly of children. She is an earnest worker and uses an interesting method. Each picture is the result of many sketches and the study of many models, representing in a composite way the perfection of all. For the Virgin in her "Annunciation," a model was first posed in the nude, and then another was draped, the artist sketching the figure in the nude, draping it from the second model. The hands always are separately sketched from a model which has a peculiar grace in folding them naturally.

The Vanishing Fleets

By
ROY NORTON

Pictures by A. Weil



The most startling and interesting serial story ever printed will be run in this paper in a short time—Watch For It.

Every one of our readers will welcome the announcement that we have secured the right to publish serially Roy Norton's remarkable story, just now proving the sensation in the literary world, entitled:

The Vanishing Fleets

This is the strongest story of romance, mystery, startling adventure and patriotic American sentiment produced within a generation. A story so boldly conceived and strongly executed as to attract the attention and favorable comment of the world's greatest literary critics, scientists, sailors, soldiers and statesmen.

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See Powell & Powell for Wall Paper. 10.tf

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will see that her baby is properly cared for—to do this a good purgative is necessary. Many babies suffer from worms and their mothers don't know it—if your baby is feverish and doesn't sleep at nights, it is troubled with worms. White's Cream Vermifuge will clean out these worms in a mild pleasant way. Once tried always used. Give it a trial. Price 25 cents.

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FIVE NEGROES HANGED.

Mob of Two Hundred Does the Work of Execution.

ANOTHER SHOT TO DEATH.

Jail at Hemphill, Tex., Forcibly Entered by Iudignant Citizens, Who Take Out Suspected Assassins and Swing Victims to Dogwood Limbs.

Hemphill, Tex., June 23.—Six negroes charged with the murder of Hugh Dean, which occurred near Geneva two weeks ago, were taken by a mob of 200 from jail. Five were hanged to a dogwood tree and the other shot. The latter tried to escape. The lynching took place one mile from the courthouse.

Nine negroes killed in Sabine county within the past two weeks is the known record, and two white men within the past two weeks. Both white men, Hugh Dean and Arle Johnson, were among the most prominent families of Sabine county, and were prominently connected throughout this section.

The six negroes taken from the jail were: Jerry Evans, Will Johnson, Moss Spellman, Cleveland Williams and Will Manuel.

"Rabbitt" Bill McCoy, a negro about forty years old, was killed Sunday night in front of the home of Arle Johnson, and a pistol was found full cocked by the side of his body.

Williams, whose age was about twenty years, was taken out by the mob, but slipped the ropes from his neck and hands and made an attempt to escape. He was hot.

The body of Hardy Evans, one of the alleged principals of the Dean murder, is reported as having been found on Hemphill and San Augustine road, about half way between the two places.

A negro whose name can not be ascertained is reported as being killed, but there are many wild rumors afloat of other negroes having been killed in the county. It is believed that all of them were connected with the killing of either Hugh Dean or Arle Johnson.

NEGRO FOR BRYAN.

Prominent Educator Will Take the Stump in Coming Campaign.

Omaha, Neb., June 23.—Dr. W. E. B. Dubois, one of the most prominent negro educators in the south, who has the chair of sociology and economics in Atlanta university, will take the stump for Hon. W. J. Bryan during the coming campaign. He declares that Booker T. Washington does not represent the negro voters and that he will not be able to fulfill the promise made to Taft to deliver the negro vote to the Republican nominee.

"It seems to me that, says Dubois, 'that this is a time of tremendous opportunity for the half million colored voters of the north to offer to the Democratic party an opportunity to live up to the liberal principles it advocates and I am advising them to not vote for Taft,' he added. 'I shall even go further and ask them to do what I myself shall do—vote for Bryan.'"

He says the negroes are dissatisfied with the Republican party, particularly the action of President Roosevelt and Secretary Taft in the Brownsville affair.

Dubois declares the Democratic party has always had liberal principles and the negro knows just what to expect from it. "With all its fight on the negroes in the south, I am satisfied that he may expect more from the Democratic party than from the Republican rule, which just distributes a limited number of offices to negroes at best, and that at the dictation of a negro boss."

Investigating Flood Matters.

Natchez, Miss., June 23.—Lieutenant B. B. Upham arrived Sunday evening, and registered at the Natchez hotel. He came to investigate the flood situation in Adams and Wilkinson counties, and report as to the number of flood sufferers, and their needs. He interviewed a number of planters here today, and in conformity with his instructions to report immediately upon arrival, he telegraphed Gen. Potts at Ft. Morgan, Ala., that there are three thousand flood sufferers in the two counties, and recommended that 5,000 rations be issued at once for immediate relief and that the rations be sent for four weeks. He went up the river to investigate conditions at Claremont and Elysian Fields plantations.

Cotton Acreage.

Dallas, June 23.—Six correspondents of the News here sent in reports from Texas and Oklahoma as to the condition of cotton. All figures were compiled July 18. They show that the acreage of cotton in Texas is 2.78 per cent greater than the acreage in 1907, and that the acreage in Oklahoma is 2.06 per cent less than in 1907. The condition of the Texas crop is 7.96 per cent better than upon the corresponding day in 1907.

The condition of the Oklahoma crop is 24.97 per cent worse than upon the corresponding day in 1907.

Head and Feet Cut Off.

El Paso, June 23.—J. O. White, a Galveston, Harrisburg and San An-

tonio merchant, met instant death beneath the wheels of a box car in the local yards. White fell from the rear end of a switching train, which was backing up. He fell directly across the tracks, and his head and feet both were cut off. The head was severed from the neck. White was thirty years of age.

Alfonso Has Another Son.

Madrid, June 23.—A son was born to Queen Victoria of Spain Monday. Victoria, formerly Princess of Battenburg, and King Alfonso were married at Madrid on May 31, 1906. Their first son was born on May 10, 1907.

WORLD IN PARAGRAPHS.

By a premature blast near Scranton, Pa., five Italians were killed.

A carload of whisky was confiscated at Tulsa, Okla.

In a mine explosion at Ellsworth, Pa., ten miners lost their lives.

First carload of this season's wheat sold at Plano, Tex., at \$1 per bushel.

Natives of Arkansas have formed at San Angelo, Tex., the Arkansaw club.

Three miles from Greenville, Tex., Mrs. Henry Holtman succumbed to burns.

Five indictments were found at New York City against the American Ice company.

Twenty-six incendiary fires at Berlin have been traced to a special night watchman.

Several Alvarado, Tex., stores have been burglarized. Both cash and goods were secured.

Mrs. F. V. Linder died at Beaumont from the effects of carbolic acid. Her husband died May 29.

W. R. Hill had his left leg so badly injured at Cleburne in a railroad accident that death resulted.

Near Haileyville, Okla., James McCann was killed on a trestle by a train. His wife barely escaped.

The International and Great Northern railway has been burned at Palestine, Tex., 100 old boxcars.

Six miles from Taylor, Tex., Nora Windmeyer, five years old, was bitten by a rattlesnake and expired.

At El Paso W. P. Hawkins was acquitted. He was charged with killing at Yan Horn Charles Barber.

For the second time, owing to lack of sidewalks, Brownwood, Tex., has failed to secure free mail delivery.

With the exception of Huntsville, every precinct in Randolph county, Missouri, went dry by large majorities.

A mob of negro women near Hamburg, Ark., hanged Ernest Williams, a negro, who had offended them, to a telegraph pole.

In a passenger and freight train collision near Pendleton, Mo., on the Wabash railroad twenty persons were seriously hurt.

By the death of his father in Egypt Alexander Barnevia, a San Antonio peanut and candy peddler, has fallen heir to \$10,000.

An electric railway is to be constructed between El Paso and Las Cruces, N. M., fifty-four miles, by business men of the two cities.

Terrestrial rans have prevailed in southwest France and the northern part of Spain. Crops are badly damaged and bridges swept away.

In the presence of 31,000 persons the New York National league baseball club Saturday, on home grounds, with Matthewson pitching, defeated the Chicago team 4 to 0.

Two miles from Proctor, Tex., by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of her little brother the eight-year-old daughter of L. A. South was shot and killed.

At Oklahoma City Sheriff Garrison and deputies confiscated at a depot sixty-five cases of whisky and sixty barrels of beer that had been addressed to fictitious names.

At Galveston on the 20th Albert Kuhn paid \$300 for one of the three first bales of cotton of this year's crop—the highest price since the war. The other two sold for \$150 and \$105.

Miss Ruby Kendrick, a native of Plano, Tex., died at Seoul, Korea, on the 20th, where she was engaged in missionary work under the auspices of the Methodist Episcopal church, South.

Congressional Red River Improvement association, in session at Shreveport, elected Hon. Morris Sheppard of Texarkana president, and selected Denison for the next meeting place, Oct. 1 being the date.

In Fort Smith, Ark., jail seven prisoners attempted to hang Elijah Skaggs, given twenty-one years for assault on a woman. Skaggs, who was at the head of a religious cult, had asked his jail mates to hang him.

Tom Jones was hanged at Richmond, Tex., for the self-confessed murder of Morris Lemon, a negro, eighty years old, whom he killed and set his home on fire, the charred remains being found in the river. The crime was committed to get possession of the old man's livestock.

The Capital City Savings bank at Little Rock, the only negro banking institution, is in a receiver's hands. An illiterate negro overdraw his account. His check was turned down. This caused a run, several hundred depositors demanding their money. There was not sufficient cash on hand to pay all, and the doors were closed.

Each County to Determine.

Dallas, June 23.—State Democratic Chairman Carden rules that the position of state candidates on the official

ballot in the primary election is to be determined separately in each of the counties. This is at variance with previous rulings to the committeemen in the counties, and all former orders are therefore rescinded.

Wife Killed, Husband Held.

Corstena, Tex., June 23.—The wife of Will Harris, a negro, was beaten to death. A small statue of Columbus was the weapon used, blows being the head. Harris was arrested.

Pioneer Lady Drops Dead.

Sherman, Tex., June 22.—Mrs. Jane Greer, seventy-five years old, a pioneer citizen of Sherman, dropped dead at her home. She had lived in Grayson county sixty-five years.

Brings Good Sum.

Houston, June 23.—The first bale of this season's cotton crop received here was raised in Nueces county. W. D. Cleveland & Sons paid \$270 for it.

McMurtry Dies Suddenly.

Fort Worth, June 23.—While visiting Mrs. D. W. Harcrow, his daughter, L. B. McMurtry of Wichita Falls, a prominent ranchman, died suddenly Sunday.

Some Opinions of The Vanishing Fleets

Philadelphia Record

If you are looking for action, something of the marvelous, excitement and mystery, you will suffer no disappointment in reading "The Vanishing Fleets." It pulsates and vibrates with life, and is a quickener of patriotism. Americans are credulous and Mr. Norton has the genius to tell a wonderful story and to keep readers in a delightful state of mystification and expectancy.

Brooklyn Eagle

When you are gifted with an imagination—turn it loose; don't hamper it; let it cavort. The results may be astonishing—even paralyzing to the normal conception—but there will be something doing. One concludes that this policy of emancipation was followed by the author of "The Vanishing Fleets." If this story is any indication of Mr. Norton's future, he will go far.

TO UNEARTH MEMPHIS.

Memphis, on the Nile, one of the greatest capitals of the ancient world, is buried beneath the ground which is now under cultivation by the villagers of Mitrahinch, who will have to be transferred to other plots and will be compensated before the contemplated work of excavation can proceed very far. It is estimated that an expenditure of about \$15,000 annually for 15 years will be required to excavate the temple sites, apart from the city. The unearthing of Memphis, which contained the finest school of Egyptian art, will be by far the greatest archaeological work of recent times and must result in a vast addition to the world's knowledge of ancient Egyptian history and civilization. The work will soon be begun by Prof. Petrie, head of the British School of Archaeology in Egypt.

CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE.

"Cholly Clymer is only a parvenu, and yet you told me he was in high life."

"So he is. He passes the greater part of his existence in the thirtieth story of a skyscraper."

TOO DANGEROUS.

"You must be very careful with your daughter, Mrs. Comeup. She has a rapidly growing mentality."

"Oh, good gracious, doctor! Will she have to have an operation to cure it?"

MERELY SUGGESTED.

"Somebody wants to know the feminine paragrapher."

"If the feminine of pa is ma, why not make it maragrapher?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

HAD BEEN THERE BEFORE.

"Let's go in there and get a drink."

"Not in there, my boy; the flesh is willing, but the spirit's weak!"—Illustrated Bits.

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Bond & Lillard—case goods—per gallon.....	4.00
McBrayer—case goods—per gallon.....	4.00
Mellwood—case goods—per gallon.....	4.00
Texas Club—case goods—per gallon.....	4.00
International—barrell goods—per gallon.....	4.00
International—case goods—per quart.....	1.25

All original packages. Money must accompany all orders, and they will have prompt attention.

FIGHT FOR PURE MILK.

The club women in Massachusetts are fighting against the movement to lower the milk standard in that state. This fight is said to be winning more recruits to the cause of woman suffrage than anything that has come up in the last ten years. Mothers have come to agree with Mrs. Charlotte Perkins Gilman in asserting that politics which affects the purity of milk and water is "not outside the home, but inside the baby."

NOT ON THE FREE LIST.

"The trusts," remarked the socialistic boarder, "give me a pain."
"I understand," rejoined the cheerful idiot, "that the window glass trust charges for its panes."

SHAM EXPOSED.

The chauffeur walked up to the bogus blind man and dropped a dime into his cup.

"Thank you, sir," said the mendicant, tipping his hat; "chauffeurs are always liberal."

But the chauffeur was suspicious. "Ah, my man, if you are blind, how can you tell that I am a chauffeur?"

The bogus blind man gathered his wits.

"I cannot see you, sir, but I can detect the odor of gasoline."

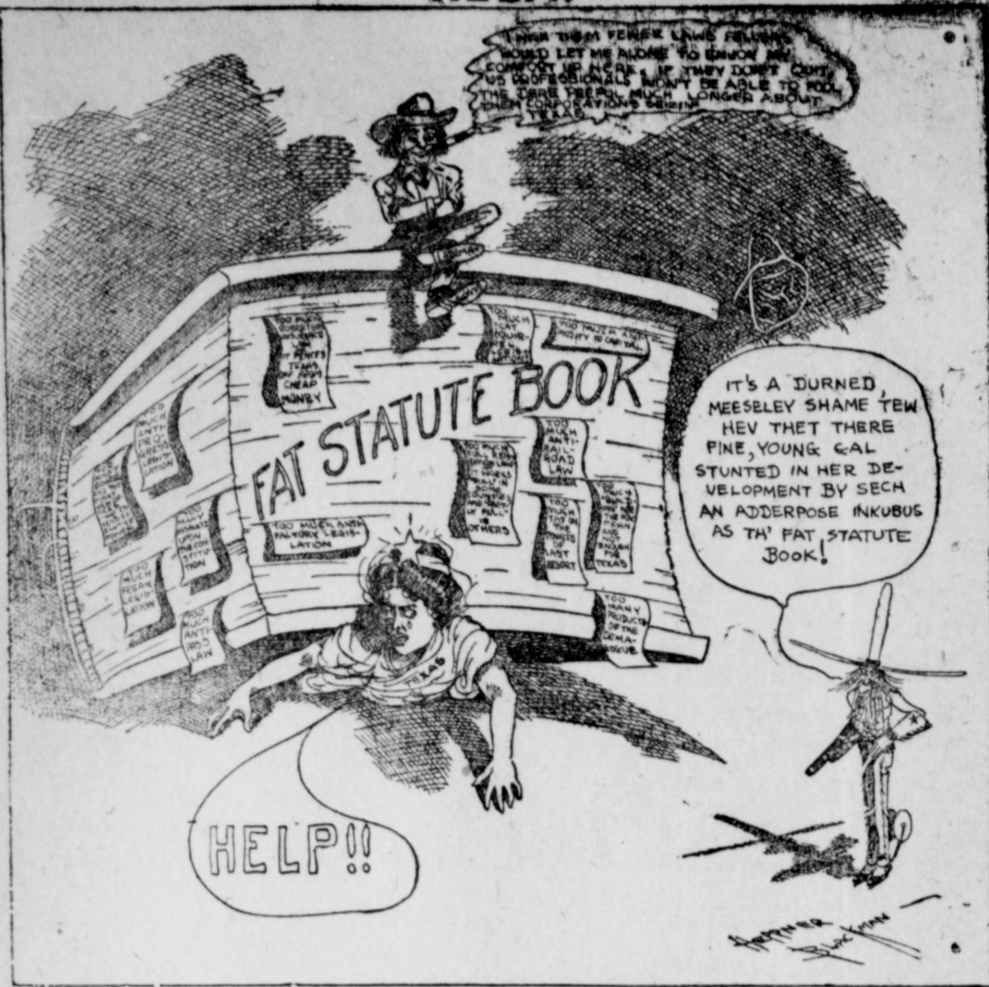
The chauffeur laughed.

"That is impossible."

"And why it is impossible?"

"Because I run an electric machine."

HELP!!



The Fort Worth Star.

The Baird Weekly Star

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"Submission" is Democratic they tell you now. Yes, and after you have "submitted" they will tell you the thing you submitted is Democratic. See if they don't.

The prohibitionists have been so successful in working the Democratic party this year what is to prevent the Republicans, Socialist or any other party doing the same think two years from now?

When the pros get the prohibition question settled just to their liking then will be realized to the full extent the meaning of what the governor of South Carolina said to the governor of North Carolina.

The Democratic mule has a chance to land on the G. O. P. elephant with both feet. The greatest danger is in selecting a proper running mate for Bryan. The party has frequently made bad breaks in this respect; and many, both Republicans and Democrats claim the Republicans made a serious mistake in nominating Sherman for vice-President. The Democrats don't want any more Sewells and Gasaway Davises for Vice-President. Bryan seems to be favorable to Judge Gray of Delaware. He is a splendid man and a loyal Democrat. Then Gov. Johnson, of Minnesota, is a good man for second place. A ticket to win must command the united support of all factions of the party; this is why the selection of a nominee for Vice-President is of great importance. Judge Gray would command the respect of the eastern Democrats and if he and Bryan cannot be elected no ticket nominated could be elected.

Those Democrats who have been whooping up for Col. Wynne on the ground that he is probably the last of the old Confederates who will aspire to office, are reminded by friends of Williams, the blacksmith, that their candidate too was a gallant Confederate soldier and lost all his property in the war, and that he too carries Yankee lead in his body.

Gov. Hanly of Indiana, the first prominent Republican who publically praised the platform and work generally of the late national convention, was stricken with paralysis. Is this a mere coincidence, or a warning of the disaster to come to the Republican ticket in November? Gov. Hanly was making an address at Ottawa, Kan., Saturday when the incident alluded to occurred.

Why cannot a blacksmith, if he is honest and capable, make just as good a governor as any one else. That's what Squire Williams friends say and the argument is hard to meet. One thing that greatly hampers Squire Williams is that he is too poor to make a canvass in his own behalf. Why should a candidate in Texas spend ten to sixteen thousand dollars trying to be elected governor? One of the best governors Texas ever had was the "Old Alcalde", O. M. Roberts, and the nomination did not cost him a cent. Why not call a governor just like some of the churches call a preacher? Why should any man spend a small fortune to be governor of Texas? Where is the honor of such a victory? Williams' election would be both a joke and a rebuke to the politicians, who seem to think the Almighty Dollar and not the people should rule. The election of a poor man, one who says he is unable financially to make even a two week's canvass, would be a revolution so wholly unexpected that the very novelty of the thing is causing men to stop and think and lots of them say they are going to vote for the blacksmith. The battle is on and there may be some fun yet before the campaign is over. Remember Hoke Smith!

Quite a large crowd from Baird attended the Woodman decoration decoration at Admiral last Sunday.

The Williams boom for governor is spreading. Some regard it as a joke, but from the way the voters talk many of them take it seriously. We hear talk of organizing a Williams Club at Baird. We have heard a number of men both Bailey and anti-Bailey, express themselves in favor of Williams. They say they are tired of machine politics. Just how far this thing is going is hard to tell at this time. It looks like there is a wide-spread revolt against what is termed the machine. A little shaking up won't hurt the State, though it may prove disastrous to Gov. Campbell and some others.

Some of the pros say the ants are not sincere in advocating local option. THE STAR has no desire to argue this question, but merely say the antis are just as sincere in this as the pros are in claiming that submission is not only Democratic, but it is the duty of Democrats to vote for submission. Neither the question of State prohibition or local option has any right on the Democratic ticket and had the party had a State committee with as much backbone as a jelly fish they would have refused to allow either question to come up in the primary. The legislature, at last, will decide and possibly too without any regard as to how the State as a whole, votes on the question. The Democratic party will be fortunate indeed if it escapes ship wreck by reason of the warring factions within the party over Bailey and State prohibition.

It seems to have been decided that the office of District and County Clerk can be separated. Since the county was organized one man has held both offices. An effort was made several years ago to separate them but failed, but it is claimed now that the population of the county is sufficient to have two clerks, so now we have two candidates for District and County Clerk and one for District clerk alone. See announcement column.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Sheffield and daughter, Mrs. Harry Livingston, of Bangs, Texas, are here visiting their daughter, Mrs. C. H. Mahan.

J. B. STOKES President HENRY JAMES V. P. B. L. RUSSELL Cashier
W. S. HINDS Assistant Cashier

The First National Bank of Baird

Capital Stock \$50,000.00

A BANK'S FIRST DUTY is to its depositors. The business of this bank is conducted on this basis, which is, in truth, SECURITY AND CONSERVATISM. Safety is considered before profits.

NO OFFICER, DIRECTOR OR STOCKHOLDER OWES THIS BANK A CENT.

We feel justified in asking for your banking business, assuring you always, courteous treatment and satisfactory service.

The people of the Baird School District must raise about four hundred dollars to pay the incidental expenses of the public school the coming session and we had best settle the matter before the school begins. We have no special tax and the state and county fund can only be used for paying teacher's salaries. We must have fuel to make fires in the winter; a janitor to clean up the building; rent must be paid for additional room for the children; water for the school and so on. This expense has always been paid out of the special fund but this we have not got this year. Last year, after the trustees had incurred the necessary expense for wood, water, rent, etc. the suit against the district prohibited the collection of the special tax and the School Board appealed to the patrons to pay one dollar per scholar and pay the debts. Less than half paid, consequently the school is in debt and no money to pay for even a tin cup for the next session. It is time to think of these matters before the school begins. THE STAR is not authorized to speak for the School Board, but in view of the fact that more than half the patrons refused, or at least failed to pay anything towards discharging the debts incurred in running the schools last session the Board will hardly contract any more debts. If money is not raised to pay for rent, fuel, water and so on, the school cannot go on and had as well not begin. One dollar per scholar would pay all expenses for the entire session. THE STAR believes the people will see that the schools go on and will raise the money if appealed to in the right way. How are we going to raise this money? That's the question. There are nearly one hundred more children enrolled than can possibly be crowded into the old rat trap of a school house and additional room must be had. How we will raise the money to pay the actual expenses must be settled, and that too before the school begins. Let us get together and agree on what is to be done. The fairest way is for each child attending school to pay one dollar each, but will the patrons pay it? If they don't, and the money is not raised before cold weather the school will close. If no money is raised how will the trustees provide additional room to accommodate all the children at the beginning. Shall we crowd four hundred children into that old shack that only affords room for about three hundred?

The people of Baird are up against the hardest proposition on the school question they ever had to contend with. Four hundred dollars for the whole town is not much, it is true, but the trustees have not got it and they cannot run the school without it.

Suggestions are in order now as to how the money necessary to run the school, that is pay incidental expenses, shall be, or can be raised.

Miss Josie Turner, who has been teaching school at Afton, Haskell county, returned home last Friday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

NOTE:—Announcement fees for all District and County offices \$10.00 payable in advance.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates for office subject to the Democratic primary:

FOR DISTRICT JUDGE.

42d District composed of the counties of Callahan, Eastland, Stephens, Shackelford and Taylor:

THOMAS L. BLANTON,
of Albany.
J. T. HAMMONS,
of Eastland.
D. G. HILL,
Of Abilene.
J. H. CALHOUN,
of Cisco.

For District Attorney.

W. P. MAHAFFEY.

For State Senator 28th Dist.

W. J. BRYAN.
R. C. CRANE.

For Representative 103d District.

J. T. TUCKER.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

For County Judge.

C. D. (Clarence) RUSSELL.
W. R. ELY

For Sheriff & Tax Collector.

T. A. (AD) IRVIN.
W. A. MCGOWEN.

For Tax Assessor.

T. J. NORRELL.
R. F. (Frank) BENNETT.
M. W. UZZELL.

For County & District Clerk.

GEO. B. SCOTT.
J. H. (JOE) SHACKELFORD.

For District Clerk

C. W. (Wilbur) TAYLOR.

For County Treasurer.

W. E. (Eugene) MELTON.

For County Attorney

R. L. ALEXANDER

For Public Weigher Baird District

J. R. PRICE

For County Superintendent.

R. D. GREEN.

For Commissioner Pre No. 1.

W. A. HINDS.

W. K. KUYKENDALL.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 2.

PHILLIP YOST.

WORTH WILLIAMS.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 3.

GEO. ANTHONY.

For Commissioner Pre. No. 4.

J. G. (Jack) AIKEN.

J. A. COATS.

For Constable Pre. No. 1

J. W. FARMER.

W. C. ASBURY.

A SPLENDID BARGAIN.

200 acres of land on Pecan Bayou in Dudley neighborhood. Good grass and water, at a Bargain. See B. L. Russell at the First National Bank. 29 2t

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the P. O. at Baird Texas, for the week ending June 20, 1908. Parties calling for same please say advertised.

Sr. Emilio Basques,
Mr. Lester Johnson,
Mr. D. D. McLaury,
Mrs. Viola Montgomery.

J. V. McMANIS, P. M.

T. & P. R'y SCHEDULE.

EAST BOUND

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

WEST BOUND.

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

PERSONAL

For Insurance, fire or tornado, see Martin Barnhill. 30tf

Mrs. J. C. Jones is visiting relatives at Admiral this week.

Mrs. Luceil Bailey and son, Louis, made a trip to Ft. Worth, last week.

H. Windham and Phillip Yost, of Tecumseh, were in town Wednesday.

Fire and Tornado insurance. 30 Martin Barnhill.

N. H. Coleman spent Wednesday in the country, with a fishing party.

Miss Bonnie Bryant has gone west to visit her grandparents.

Roy Morgan, of Abilene, is here with the Midland ball team.

Miss Inez Crutchfield, of Admiral, was in town Monday.

Miss Jessie George has returned to her home at Roanoke.

See Martin Barnhill for Fire and Tornado insurance. 30tf

W. T. Austin and Dr. Bailey, of Clyde, attended the ball game here Tuesday.

S. L. Driskill, J. H. Terrell and families are on the Bayou fishing this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Boyd went to Clyde Saturday to visit Dr. Bailey and family.

A number of Baird's young people gave Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Boyd a tin shower Friday night.

J. C. Jones and little daughter, Bonnie Belle, are visiting relatives in Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Reese and children, of Fort Worth, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Cholar.

Miss Eloise Hammans, our efficient telephone operator, returned Tuesday from a few days visit to her brother at Merkel.

Mrs. Elizabeth Brown and two little grandsons of Big Springs, visited friends in Baird the first of the week.

Cliff McManis and Bob Blakeley, were in from the McManis farm Friday after brick to repair the furnace at the pumping station, which fell in a few days ago.

The patrons of Rural Route No. 1 of Baird, Texas, will please call at the Post Office when in town. Wish to see you on urgent business pertaining to the route. J. V. McManis, Postmaster.

H. L. Rudmose, assistant cashier of the F. & M. Bank left here last Saturday for a two week's outing in the mountains of Colorado. He was joined at Fort Worth by his brother, A. F. Rudmose.—Merkel Correspondence in Abilene Reporter.

Miss Winnie Lynch, daughter of Judge J. C. Lynch, of Albany, was married a few days ago to Prof. Miles, of Marshall. Miss Lynch is well known in Baird, having often visited her sister, Mrs. Ellis Richardson, who formerly lived here, but is now living at Albany.

BASE BALL GALORE.

This is a regular ball week at Baird, games scheduled for every day. The first three days with Gorman and the last three with Midland. The home team met a streak of unusual hard luck losing three straight games to Gorman but the boys did some splendid work just the same. The first day Monday stood 2 to 0 in favor of Gorman Tuesday 3 to 2 and Wednesday 12 to 11. Rather hard luck for the home boys but the score shows good ball playing and the boys are not discouraged as it is unreasonable to expect unbroken success, as they have in the past.

A three days game was to begin with Midland yesterday, but the hard rain may prevent any game and they had not decided what to do up to the time we went to press.

1000 Shares

Sycamore Mining, Smelting & Development Company stock for sale 35 cent a share (cash). Address 200 West Magnolia St. Ft. Worth, Texas.

Church Notice.

THE STAR is requested to announce that Rev. Joiner will preach next Sunday at 11 o'clock a. m. on Christian Education, and at 8:30 p. m. on Tempeance.

Married.

Dr. J. M. Miller and Miss Nettie Smartt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Smartt, were married at the home of the bride's parents at Admiral, last Sunday. We extend congratulation.

Notice.

All who have not paid or made satisfactory arrangements on their accounts due J. C. Jones by July 1st, next are hereby notified that unless same is arranged by said date, these accounts will be turned over to an attorney for collection.

J. B. STOKES.

Died at Ft. Worth.

Little Leonard Holden, aged 6 years and 10 months, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Holden, died of diphtheria at their home in Fort Worth last Friday evening. The remains were interred in Mount Olivet cemetery, Ft. Worth, Saturday evening. Little Leonard was a bright, winsome little fellow and we regret to chronicle his death.

Mr. and Mrs. Holden have many friends in Baird who extend sincere sympathy to them in their sorrow.

Junior League Program.

Topic, "Temperance."
Leader—Kate Darby.
Lesson, Eph. 5: 6-21.—By Leader Song and Prayer.
Ps. 1.—Lena Beck.
Eccl. 12: 1-3.—Stella Mitchell.
Eph. 5: 18, 20.—Kathryn Boyd-stun.
Song.
Titus 1: 7-10.—Annie Mae Cham-bliss.
Reading—Jessie Powell.
Roll Call.
Song.
Benediction.

Master "J. C." Estes is visiting relatives in Jones county.

Mrs. John Flores, of Belle Plaine, was in town Wednesday.

A hard rain fell at Baird yesterday about 2 p. m. that only lasted about 20 minutes but made things hum while it lasted. A slight sprinkle of hail but do damage. Corn has been suffering for rain and unless it rains soon the crop will be ruined. Indications are that it will rain though. It has been nearly a month since any rain has fallen here.

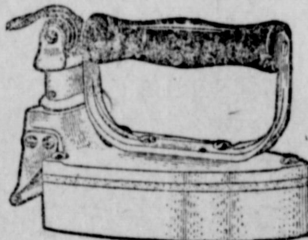
DON'T WORRY

Come and tell us all your Grocery troubles and we will make them all O. K. If the goods you get are not the best, try us. If you are paying too much for goods, try us. Just TRY US anyway, we will treat you right at all times.

Phone No. 4

McGOWEN BROS.,

PACIFIC ELECTRIC IRON



Save all the walk from ironing board to stove and back. Save nearly half the cost of ironing.

Save all the trouble in keeping the iron at an even heat.

Save all the discomfort of a constant fire in stove or gas range on ironing day.

Let us furnish you one on trial and we will convince you. Will run Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 to 11 a. m. Can wire your house on short notice.

ELECTRIC LIGHT CO.

Capt. J. T. Tucker, Merkel, candidate for State Representative, made THE STAR a pleasant call yesterday. Capt. Tucker was on his way to Putnam, where he was to speak last night. He will speak at Cottonwood tonight, Friday, Saturday night at Cross Plains, Monday night at Oplin, Tuesday night at Eula. Friends of the old veteran of Democracy should get the people out to hear him.

EXCURSION RATE.

The rate to Denver, Colo., account Democratic Convention will be \$26. 20 for round trip. Date of sale July, 3rd, 4th, and 5th, return limit July, 18th.

HINTS TO FARMERS

Now is the time that you realize on your seasons work.

As you sell your grain, stock or produce, place your money on an open account with a reliable bank.

Pay your bills by check, which makes the best kind of receipt, and avoid the worry and danger attending the carrying large sums of money.

Our offices are always at the disposal of our customers and country friends.

"The Bank that Does Things"

The Home National Bank of Baird

Pasture Posted.

All persons are warned not to hunt or fish in my pastures on the Bayou. Keep out.

30tf TOM WINDHAM.

Miss Bessie Manning, who has visiting Mrs. L. M. Hadley for some time will return to Dallas today.

Births.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brightwell, of Oplin, June 16, 1908, a girl.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Young, of Burkett, on June 18, 1908, a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Seay, of San Angelo, are visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Seay.

REPUBLICANS NOMINATE

Candidates For President and Vice President.

NAME TAFT AND SHERMAN

In Each Instance It Was Necessary to Take but One Ballot, the Leading Man Having Overwhelming Majority of the Delegates.

In the presence at Chicago of about 14,000 persons, nearly 1,000 being delegates, Hon. Harry C. New, chairman of the national committee, called the Republican national committee to order at noon Tuesday. He introduced Hon. J. C. Burrows of Michigan as temporary chairman.

Prayer was offered by Bishop Muldoon of Chicago.

During the course of his lengthy address Senator Burrows spoke of the achievements of the party, his re-



WILLIAM H. TAFT.

marks being intended as the keynote of the campaign.

At the conclusion of his address the temporary chairman announced the committees on credentials, rules and order of business, permanent organization and resolutions. Adjournment was then taken until 12 o'clock Wednesday.

Lodge Permanent Chairman.

After Temporary Chairman Burrows called the convention to order for the second day's proceedings, using a gavel made from wood taken from Fort Dearborn, he introduced Rev. Dr. Waters, an Episcopal divine of Chicago, who invoked God's blessing on the convention.

Committees not being ready to report, several marching clubs went around the hall amid tremendous enthusiasm. After they had marched the convention band played "Illinois."

A singing club of Columbus, O., led with "Star-Spangled Banner," and the mighty audience arose and joined in the national song.

After a fourteen-hour session the credentials committee reported. It favored seating all the present delegates and adding the six delegates from New Mexico, giving them one-third of a vote each. The report was adopted by a viva voce vote, ex-Governor Warmouth of Louisiana and a few others shouting "No. 1."

The report of the committee on permanent organization, naming Senator Lodge of Massachusetts as permanent chairman of the convention, was adopted unanimously. General Stewart I Woodford of New York and Governor Deneen of Illinois escorted Senator Lodge to the platform.

The senator, after thanking the convention for the honor, made a lengthy speech, in which he praised the record of the Republican party.

Senator Lodge's statement that the Democratic party asked the youth of our country to judge them by their undiscovered future caused great merriment and cheers. Forty-five minutes of cheering at mention of the president's name followed. The whole convention rose in tumultuous applause and flag-waving.

Burke Resolution Rejected.

By a vote of 24 to 17 the committee on rules rejected the resolution of Delegate Burke, providing for a reduced representation of delegates to future national conventions. The main opposition came from the southern states.

Platform Adopted.

After Chairman Lodge had called the convention to order for the third day's proceedings Rev. Dr. Hill, a Methodist divine of New York City, was introduced and offered prayer.

Senator Hopkins of Illinois, chairman of the resolutions committee, was introduced to present the majority report of the resolutions committee. He proceeded to read the platform.

About this time the building was filled and the heat was so great that shirt sleeves were much in evidence. Fans were at a premium.

When Senator Hopkins concluded Representative Cooper read the minority report.

The two reports were debated forty minutes.

By a vote of 250 to 28 the minority

report except those three planks on which separate votes were to be taken was adopted. The publicity plank of the minority report was also defeated.

The minority plank for the election of United States senators by district vote was lost.

The platform was adopted by a viva voce vote.

The platform begins by asserting that "in this, the greatest era of American advancement, the Republican party has reached its highest service under the leadership of Theodore Roosevelt." His administration is termed an epoch in American history.

Continuing, it declares that under the guidance of Republican principles the American people have become the richest nation in the world.

Revision of tariff is declared necessary; currency measures recently adopted are approved; postal savings banks are favored; Sherman anti-trust act is praised; enactment of railroad rate law and vigorous enforcement of statutes against rebates and those reducing hours of labor of railroad men and protecting them are commended.

The court procedure plank is as follows: The Republican party will uphold at all times the authority and integrity of the courts, state and Federal, and will ever insist that their powers to enforce their processes and to protect life, liberty and property shall be preserved inviolate. We believe, however, that the rule of procedure in the Federal courts with respect to the issuance of writs of injunction should be more accurately defined by statute, and that no injunction or temporary restraining order should be issued without notice, except where irreparable injury would result from delay, in which case a speedy hearing should be granted.

It is declared that the past twelve years the government has looked after the farmers' interests, particularly in free mail delivery and good roads.

Legislation against negroes is condemned and even justice demanded for that race.

Movement of administration for benefit of waterways and natural resources is commended.

Taft Nominated.

After the platform had been adopted nominations for the presidency were declared in order.

When Illinois was reached Congressman Boutelle of that state, in eloquent and eulogistic language, presented the name of Hon. John G. Cannon.

Congressman Forney of Michigan seconded Mr. Cannon's nomination. Amid cheers and considerable disturbance Governor Hanley of Indiana named Vice President Fairbanks. The noise was so great his remarks were almost inaudible.

Tremendous enthusiasm greeted Hon. Theodore Burton of Ohio when he proceeded to place the name of Hon. W. H. Taft before the convention. The demonstration lasted some time.

When New York was reached Gen. S. L. Woodford spoke in behalf of Governor Hughes of that state.

Delegate Murphy named Hon. Philander C. Knox of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Cochem of Wisconsin paid great tribute to Senator La Follette during the presentation of that gentleman's name.

C. B. McCoy of Ohio named Senator Foraker, whom he said came from the battlefield and forum of the republic.

"He is not too radical to be unsafe, nor too conservative to be progressive," said Mr. McCoy.

W. O. Emery of Georgia, a negro, in seconding Foraker's nomination, said



CONGRESSMAN SHERMAN OF NEW YORK.

that as the representative of 10,000,000 people it was the proud event of his life to endorse the "mighty and magnificent Foraker." Liberal applause greeted his remarks.

The vote resulted: Taft, 702; Knox, 68; Hughes, 63; Cannon, 61; Fairbanks, 40; La Follette, 24; Foraker, 16. Adjournment was taken.

Sherman For Vice President.

The fourth day's proceedings began at 10:18 o'clock.

Rabbi Schanbarber of Chicago offered prayer.

Nominations for vice president were called for.

When Delaware was reached that state yielded to New York. Hon. Timothy Woodruff said:

"On behalf of the united delegation of the pivotal state of the Union, for as New York goes, so goes the nation, I present to you the name of Congressman James S. Sherman."

Congressman Cannon of Illinois, amid great cheering, seconded the nomination.

When Massachusetts was called Chairman Lodge surrendered the chair to Hon. F. A. Denison of Illinois and named Governor Guild of his state.

C. S. Osborn of Michigan seconded the nomination of Guild.

Thomas N. McCarter of New Jersey presented the name of Franklin Murphy of that state.

The vote resulted: Sherman, 816; Murphy, 77; Guild, 75; Sheldon, 10; Fairbanks, 1; absent, 1.

On motion of Delegate Crane of Massachusetts the nomination of Mr. Sherman was made unanimous.

Something of Sherman.

James Schoolcraft Sherman was born at Utica, N. Y., Oct. 24, 1855; was admitted to the bar in 1880; is president of a couple of corporations; was elected mayor of Utica in 1884. Elected to the Fifty-first, Fifty-second, Fifty-third, Fifty-fourth, Fifty-fifth, Fifty-sixth, Fifty-seventh, Fifty-eighth, Fifty-ninth and Sixtieth congresses. In the Sixtieth congress Mr. Sherman is chairman of the Indian affairs committee and a member of the rules committee and committee on interstate and foreign commerce.

SLAIN BY WINDOW.

Victim's Wife and Baby Beside Him at Time.

San Augustine, Tex., June 22.—While seated with his wife and baby at a window in his residence, near Geneva, Sabine county, Aaron M. Johnson, a prominent young planter, was shot to death Saturday night. A shotgun was the weapon, the contents of both barrels entering his head. Johnson was married fifteen months and the baby is three months old. The family had just finished supper.

It was nearly half a mile to the nearest neighbor, but the screams of the wife were heard, and the entire section was aroused within a short time. Johnson's farm is located in Sabine county, about half way between Hemphill, the county seat, and San Augustine. As there is no night telegraph office at Hemphill Sheriff Noble of San Augustine was called up and immediately had two rangers respond to the call. They arrived at the scene early Sunday morning, and at once began an investigation and arrested a negro. A large crowd of neighbors had surrounded the house, threatening to mob the negro. Rangers Hamer and Lattie, under the pretext of getting the negro away from the crowd to extract more evidence from him, managed to evade them, and got half way to this city before the crowd knew the negro was gone.

It was 7 o'clock when the news reached Hemphill and by 8 o'clock every horse and conveyance had been taken from the stable, as well as many private conveyances, and left for the scene.

ADVERSE TO DEPOSITORS.

Judge Meek Holds Stockholders Are Not Liable.

Dallas, June 20.—The depositors of the Western Bank and Trust company lost their suit against the bank in the United States district court, when Judge Meek Saturday morning ruled that the bank was a corporation and as such not within the jurisdiction of his court. Judge Etheridge, the leading attorney for the stockholders, was not present in court when the judge made his ruling.

The ruling covered twenty-seven typewritten pages of legal cap paper. The history of the bank was carefully reviewed, and, in closing, Judge Meek said:

"The petitioning creditors fall in their contentions on two grounds: First: It is a 'defacto' corporation; second: Even if it was not, the petitioning creditors by their course of dealing with it as such are now estopped to deny that it is a corporation."

"The prayer of the petitioning creditors and of the intermedeary petitioners will be denied for lack of jurisdiction and their petition dismissed at their cost."

The order dismissing the case for lack of jurisdiction was signed by Judge Meek in court.

Judge Etheridge says the case will be appealed. If this is done the appeal will be taken to the United States circuit court of appeals at New Orleans.

Knocks Out New Schoolhouses.

Austin, June 22.—C. H. Page, Jr., an architect of Austin, who makes a specialty of building schoolhouses in Texas, says the decision of the supreme court in the Board independent school district case, has knocked out the building of \$1,000,000 worth of schoolhouses in the state, some of which are already under construction and others for which plans had been prepared. He had contracts for about \$400,000 for new buildings, on which he loses about \$30,000 in fees for plans and supervision of work.

Buffalo Chosen.

Peoria, Ill., June 22.—Buffalo won the head camp meeting of 1911 over Dallas, Tex., by a vote of the delegates of the head camp of Modern Woodmen of America.

Head Consul Talbot will hereafter

be given a year's instead of six-months. Clerk Hawes will get \$7,500 instead of \$4,600. The head banker will receive \$5,000 instead of \$3,600, and each director will receive \$6,000 annually.

Captain McFall Gone.

Austin, June 22.—Captain J. K. P. McFall, aged seventy years, died at the residence of his daughter. He was a draftsman in the general land office, former city engineer and father of Judge Dave McFall, deceased, who first began the fight on Senator Bailey in the legislature in 1901 which led to the first investigation. Captain McFall was also father-in-law of George Mendell, a newspaper man.

San Antonio Next Year.

Galveston, June 20.—Texas Pharmaceutical association meets next year at San Antonio. Officers were elected as follows: H. W. Fears, Waxahatchie, president; J. W. Covey, Fort Worth, first vice president; L. C. Brenner, Gonzales, second vice president; C. W. Cunningham, Lufkin, third vice president; B. H. Walker, Gonzales, secretary-treasurer (re-elected); Miss Virginia Brookes, Waunder, historian.

Taft to Attend Reunion.

Dallas, June 20.—Hon. W. H. Taft, in a letter about ten days ago to Mrs. Mary Sherman Allen, president of the Texas branch of the Red Cross, promised that if nominated for president he would attend the Elks' reunion. He is expected Monday, July 13—the opening day.

Prominent Mason Dies.

Cleburne, Tex., June 22.—Mason Cleveland, grand orator of the Royal Arch Masonic chapter, died Saturday morning.

Death of Dr. Elmore.

Dallas, June 22.—Dr. A. M. Elmore, a leading Dallas physician, is dead.

\$50.00 Reward.

We will give \$50.00 to anyone furnishing evidence that will lead to the arrest and conviction of any person or persons violating the Local Option Law.

T. A. IRVIN, Sheriff.
W. R. ELY, Co. Atty.

CLUBBING RATES.

THE STAR and Dallas News one year, \$1.75.

THE STAR and Houston Post one year, \$1.75.

THE STAR and Fort Worth Record one year \$1.75.

Baseball Players and Foot Racers.

Louis J. Kruger, ex-champion long distance foot racer of Germany and Holland, writes: "During my training of eight weeks' foot races at Salt Lake City, in April last, I used Ballard's Snow Liniment to my greatest satisfaction. Therefore, I highly recommend Snow Liniment to all who are troubled with sprains, bruises or rheumatism." 25c, 50c and \$1.00.

Some Opinions of The Vanishing Fleets

New York Herald

The story is full of dramatic incidents and ingenious surprises, not too dramatic or too ingenious or too surprising to win the qualified belief that one accords to well-imagined and plausible fiction.

Salt Lake City Tribune

This is a novel with a purpose, and the story is one of the most ingenious that we have seen for a long time. It is full of the liveliest sort of imagination. It is altogether a great story, and when the things it describes come to pass we shall all get over our belligerent notions.

Seattle Post-Intelligencer

Mr. Norton's romance of a war with Japan is enough to send a quiver of excitement through the reader. The romance is born to be a winner.

POP HAD FELT IT.

Young Music Student—Father, the teacher says that in time I will acquire a fine touch.
Parent—Huh, tell him for me that you've already got it.

NOT QUITE.

Sir Toby—And did you draw your sword and run him through?
Sir John—Well—er—almost. I did all but the last two words, forsooth.
—Kansas City Times.

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Dr. Lula F. McManis desires to announce that she can be found at her office over The Home National Bank every evening from 2 to 6 o'clock, and will give the diseases of women and children special attention. 23-tf

You need something to put under your new carpets, get old newspapers at THE STAR office 25cts a hundred.

When you see Powell think of drugs. 10-tf

IS TRANSPARENT FRAUD.

Anti-Injunction Plank So Termed
by Bryan.

CRITICISM IN COMMONER.

Only Charitable View, Says Article, Is
Convention Was Buncoed by Some
Trust Lawyer and Taft Still Favors
Use of Statute.

Lincoln, Neb., June 23.—Following up his expression in criticism of the Republican national platform in general, Hon. W. J. Bryan gave out a statement in which he assails in particular the anti-injunction plank of the Chicago declaration, characterizing it as "a transparent fraud." The statement, which will appear under the heading, "Republicans Deceiving Labor," in the next issue of Mr. Bryan's Commoner, in part is as follows:

"The anti-injunction plank of the Republican platform, as finally adopted, is a transparent fraud.

"It is possible that the members of the committee were buncoed by some trust lawyer—that is the only charitable view that can be taken of it. Those who advocated the plank claimed to be doing it as a concession to the wage earner, and yet, if one will read the plank, he will soon see that it is in fact an announcement that the Republican party is unalterably opposed to the laboring man's position. The plank reads as follows:

"The Republican party will uphold at all times the authority and integrity of the courts, state and Federal, and will ever insist that their powers to enforce their processes and to protect life, liberty and property shall be preserved inviolate. We believe, however, that the rules of procedure in Federal courts, with respect to the issuance of a writ of injunction should be more accurately defined by the statute, that no injunction or temporary restraining order should be issued without notice, except where inseparable injury would result from delay, in which case a speedy hearing there-after should be granted."

"It will be seen that the plank begins with an unnecessary eulogy of the courts. Nobody is opposed to upholding at all times the authority and integrity of the courts. Nobody is objecting to the enforcement of their processes or to their exercise of their powers to protect life, liberty and property. The plank assumes that somebody is attacking the courts, and that these courts are in danger of losing support, or of having their powers weakened."

The article concludes thus: "Secretary Taft is known as the father of government by injunction, and his speeches in Oklahoma last year gave conclusive proof of his adherence to the position taken by him on the bench. He is still in favor of the use of writ of injunction in labor cases, and he is opposed to trial by jury."

"In a speech delivered at New York last winter he said, in response to questions, that the law ought to be so amended as to give a hearing before the injunction was granted, and even consent that the hearing for contempt should be before a different judge from the one who granted the injunction, but when he came to prepare a plank for the convention he did not go so far as he went in his speech. The plank that went before the convention as his plank was so weak that it amounted to nothing; but it was even then too strong for the convention, and the convention adopted a plank which not only does not grant any concessions to the laboring man, but really emphasizes the position taken by large corporate employers by hurling anathemas at those who are suspected of a desire to modify the law relating to injunctions. This is the treatment received by the wage earners from national convention of Republican party. If this is the position of the party before the election, what reason has the laboring man to hope that the party will do better after election?"

HEROIC MOTHER.

Attempts to Save Little Son and
Both Perish in Water.

Cameron, Tex., June 23.—Mrs. Besie Meyer and her six-year-old boy, Julius, were drowned near Sharp, fourteen miles west of here, while Mrs. Meyer was washing in the branch on the farm of Joel C. Hardie. The little boy and his brother were wading in the branch, and Julius got into a deep hole and the other little fellow ran to his mother, and it is thought she jumped in to get him out, and not being able to swim, was drowned.

The little boy who reported his brother's trouble to his mother reported to neighbors about his mother. When the place was reached by friends the mother was just sinking and the little fellow had sunk.

MAY NOT ATTEND.

Friends of Bailey Fear Health
Will Prevent.

New York, June 22.—Friends of Senator Bailey think it doubtful if he be able to take any active part in the Denver convention and it may be he will not be able to even attend. This statement is made in view of dispatch

from Chicago which represented that the subcommittee of the Democratic national committee had been considering Senator Bailey for chairman of the committee on resolutions. The senator is still in bed at the Waldorf-Astoria and it will be at least a week or ten days before he can leave his room.

To Marry in England.

Paris, June 23.—Mme. Anna Gould and Prince Helle de Sagan have gone to England, where they are to be married. George Gould and family are still here.



The Paint that wears
best and look well
longest.

THERE'S A REASON.

ASK

C. S. BOYLES

The Hardware Man.

When you think of drugs see
Powell. 10-tf

American Ingenuity

vs.

The World's Navies

in

The Vanishing Fleets

Checks or Cash.

THE STAR will take on subscription checks, bank notes, greenbacks, gold or silver, no matter whether or not the latter two have on them the old familiar motto "In God we Trust." The main thing is to get any medium of exchange that we can pay debts with. "THE STAR."

Olin Jones, of Admiral, was in town Monday.

Notice.

I take this method of informing my friends and the public generally that I can be found in the office formerly occupied by Judge F. S. Bell where I will be please to have you call on me. All calls answered promptly either in town or country. Special attention to diseases of women and children.

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See McGowen Bros. for groceries.

We have a nice line of books,
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Insurance Change.

Capt. Trent requests THE STAR to announce that he has sold his agency for all the insurance companies held by him except the Aetna to Martin Barnhill, and expresses the hope that all his old patrons will continue with Mr. Barnhill. 26

We have a large supply of binder twine. McGowen Bros. 23tf

Fire and Tornado insurance in Aetna. JOHN TRENT. 28tf

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The rifle shoots the inexpensive .22 short cartridge, but with an extra carrier takes .22 long-rifle cartridge, making the gun deadly to hawks, foxes, badgers, etc.

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NOTICE.

To the Public:

Notice is hereby given that at the regular meeting of the City Council of Baird Texas on July 13, 1908, sealed proposals will be received for the custody of the City funds of said City for the year next following said date. The Banking Corporation, Association or individual Banker offering the highest rate of interest for said City funds will be selected as the City Depository of said City for said term. Bond of successful bidder will be required as provided by law. Right to reject any and all bids is reserved by the City.

Teacher's Examinations.

BAIRD TEXAS, June 23, 1908.
EDITOR OF THE BAIRD STAR.
BAIRD, TEXAS.

DEAR SIR: Will you please publish the enclosed letter from the State Superintendent in your valuable paper in order that the teachers and prospective teachers of our county may know that there will be no teachers' examinations held in July and August except the Summer Normal examinations.

Our next county examination will be held at Baird, Sept. 4th and 5th.
Respectfully,
R. D. GREEN,
Co. Supt.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
AUSTIN.

June 20, 1908.

TO THE COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT:

In as much as this office has received some inquiries as to whether or not there will be county examinations for teachers certificates in the months of July and August, I beg leave to direct your attention to note following section 77 of the School laws, issue of 1907. County examinations are not held in July and August, the Summer Normal examinations being given instead.

Wishing you much success in the conduct of your schools, I am,

Yours Sincerely,
R. B. COUSINS,
State Superintendent

T. E. Downton and family, of Eastland, are visiting V. H. Cowen, and family. Mr. Downton and Mr. Cowen are old friends and seem to agree on everything but the Bailey question, and from a few remarks we heard they simply agreed to disagree on this question.

See announcement of C. W. (Wilburn) Taylor, candidate for District Clerk. Mr. Taylor is a young man of exemplary habits, qualified and worthy of the support of the people for the position to which he aspires and THE STAR feels confident that he will discharge the duties of the office faithfully and efficiently should he be the choice of the people for District Clerk. Understand he is a candidate for District Clerk alone, not for District and County Clerk.

The Baird Machine Co. have got in their new lathe and are now prepared to do any kind of work in their line. Harry Berry is a natural born machinist and can make most any thing he wants to. THE STAR hopes to see the little machine shop grow into a great big shop where a large number of men will be employed and all kinds of machinery repaired, and if possible a great manufacturing concern. The way to make a big concern is to patronize the little concern. Some of the greatest manufacturing concerns in the world have grown from just as small beginnings as this little machine shop. This kind of a plant has long been needed in Baird and now let us give them all our work and help them grow.

To The Voters of Callahan County.

On Monday, June 15th, while canvassing in the east part of the county I received a phone message from my friends at Clyde that the time had expired to get my name on the Democratic ticket. I came home at once and began to investigate the matter. The County Chairman informed my representative that I could not get my name on the ticket. This was my first intimation that the law required a candidate to make application for a place on the ticket 42 days before the primary. I expected to make application some 20 or 30 days before the primary, so as to have plenty of time to have the ticket printed. So you see how I am forced out of the race for County Treasurer. I have been at quite a good deal of expense and loss of time, but as ignorance of the law is no excuse I will have to submit.

I wish to thank my friends and supporters for the interest taken in my candidacy. I regret very much that I did not get my name on the ticket for I feel sure I would have been successful, but it would be useless to continue the race without my name on the ticket so I will ask the Editor of THE STAR to drop my name from the announcement column.
C. W. CONNER.

Masonic Election.

The following officers of Baird Chapter No. 182 R. A. M. were elected last Friday night:

B. L. Russell, H. P.
J. H. Walker, E. K.
H. Schwartz, E. S.
C. S. Boyles, Treas.
H. O. Powell, Secy.

Other officers to be appointed. Installation 3d Friday night in July.

New Serial Story.

The first chapter of our new serial story, "The Vanishing Fleets" will appear in THE STAR next week. Do you love the marvelous? Then read this story. Beyond a doubt within a few years perhaps, a few months, stirring times will come in the Pacific ocean. This story is based on a supposed war between the United States and Japan, in which the matchless ingenuity of the Yankee Nation has produced a monster that navigates the air, startles the world and makes naval work almost impossible. Jules Verne and Flammarion are not in it with Roy Norton when it comes to a vivid imagination. Read the story and give it to your friends. One thousand copies with opening chapter next week.

Wednesday Club.

The Wednesday Club was delightfully entertained by Mrs. H. O. Powell at her pretty new home, June 24th. Progressive "42" was the pleasure of the afternoon. Club members were all present to enjoy her cordial hospitality. The new members elected and present were Mrs. Hadley, Misses Faust, Spragins Miller and Bell. Visiting guests were Misses Manning of Dallas, Wilson of Navasota, Myrtle Boydston Verna Miller.

Delicious refreshments were served. Club will meet with Mrs. T. E. Powell, Wednesday, July 8th.

Miss Pearl Miller, of Abilene, is the guest of Miss Hattie Griggs.

Mr. Grover Pruitt has gone to Waco on business.

CLUBBING RATES.

THE STAR and Dallas News one year, \$1.75.
THE STAR and Houston Post one year, \$1.75.
THE STAR and Fort Worth Record one year \$1.75.

GROVER CLEVELAND DEAD.

Ex-President Grover Cleveland died at his home in Princeton, N. J. Wednesday morning after an illness of several months. Mr. Cleveland was the only ex-president living and the only democrat to occupy the White House since 1861.

Grover Cleveland was born March 18, 1837 in Essex County New York. He was comparatively unknown until he was elected governor of New York in 1882 by a large majority. The editor of THE STAR made one political prediction on receipt of the news of his overwhelming victory that afterwards came to pass, it was that he would be the next president and he was, being elected in 1884.

The country was prosperous under Cleveland's first term, but his tariff message caused his defeat in 1888. The unfortunate fight in the democratic party over the silver question made President Cleveland very unpopular and he never regained his standing in the party that he once had. Notwithstanding this Grover Cleveland will go down in history as one of the strongest men who ever occupied the White House. He was honest and absolutely incorruptable. His saying that "A public office is a public trust", among many other short terse sentences, has become famous. All Democrats in time will come to regard him in a more favorable light than they did at the close of his last administration. In history Grover Cleveland will not suffer by comparison with any who filled the great office of President.

Baird Council No. 120.

After the Chapter closed Friday night a Council of Royal and Select Masters was organized under charter issued by the State Grand Council. For fifty years in Texas the two Council degrees have been conferred in the Chapter, but Texas alone of all the states it seems did this, and the two orders have been separated. The following officers were elected:

J. B. Harmon, Thrice Illustrious Master.
Harry Meyer, Right Illustrious Deputy Master.
W. E. Gilliland, Principal Conductor of Work.
C. S. Boyles, Treasurer.
H. O. Powell, Recorder.

The Council must meet at least twice each year.

B. Y. P. U. Program.

June 28, 1908.
Subject, Missionary meeting,—Mexico.

Scripture, Luke 10:1-9.
Leader, Miss Lillian Coffman.
Mexico, Our neighbor.—Miss Mary Joiner.

Why send Missionarys predominate —M. W. Uzzell.

What do we know of Romanism in Mexico.—Miss Dana Moon.

Why should we win Mexico and what are we doing in that direction. —C. B. Holmes.

Election of officers.
Every member is urged to be present as this is to be an important meeting.

MAKING ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS.

In the great shops of a well known electrical company are some 300 young men, clad in workmen's garments, assembling small apparatus and testing dynamos, transformers, railway motors and lighting appliances of every description.

These men have come from universities, colleges and technical schools, not only in this country, but in all quarters of the civilized world. And they are supplementing the theories upon which they have spent years of study with the admirable practice to be obtained in the finely equipped shops and the variety of apparatus manufactured.—Scientific American.

The republicans ridicule Bryan, but all the same they fear him. He may fool them this trip; and by the way, there are abundant signs of success for the Democrats this year.

A few more Bailey fights; and a little more mixing up with prohibition and Texas four years hence may be counted a doubtful state. Strange things politically are working among the people everywhere.

The Williams gubernatorial boom is rising. The Campbellites say it is only hot-air. Perhaps; but that is what Hoke Smith's friends said about the Brown boom in Georgia yet Brown won.

William's candidacy has done one thing, it has brought the town of Cumby into public notice. Few people fifty miles away really knew where Cumby was and few people a hundred miles away ever heard of the town and yet the heretofore unknown town may furnish a governor. Who knows.

Those who are suspicious of the crusade for "fewer laws and better laws" want to know what laws, if any, should be repealed or abolished. THE STAR refers all such to our confounded mess of school laws; they need amending or should be wiped out and new common sense laws enacted instead. Then there is that Terrell law that requires all candidates to file their name with the county chairman forty-two days before the primary or they cannot get their name on ticket. What earthly reason is there for such a law except to close the list in time to give the printing to some St. Louis printing concern? That law needs amending on that point, and that other clause that permits any subject for special legislation to go on ticket. One is to give the printing of blanks and tickets to foreign printing houses and the other was for the express purpose of allowing the pros to use the Democratic party as a stalking horse to further their pet measure. Texas needs a fool killer for lots of our laws and, perhaps it would not be amiss to turn him loose on some of the law makers and prevent the enactment of so many half baked laws. The party machinist seem to suspect a bug under the chip in this cry for fewer and better laws, but since the crusade was started the Supreme Court decision invalidating nearly three million dollars worth of bonds has emphasizes the demand for fewer and better laws in a way that the public must heed the demand. THE STAR hopes that every politician that opposes the movement for fewer and better laws will be defeated. It is time to call a halt on the legislative grist mill and the politicians begin to realize that there is some justice and reason for the crusade for better laws and less new ones. The statute book is too fat. Lets squeeze out the surplus fatness.

Of course the enemies of Attorney General Davidson will lay all the blame on him because the Supreme Court holds that any tax beyond 20 cts in an independent school district is unconstitutional. THE STAR is informed that the first bonds issued by an independent district and approved by the Attorney General was in 1891 when Senator Culbertson was Attorney General, and each succeeding Attorney General viz: M. M. Crane, T. S. Smith and C. K. Bell prior to Davidson, all approved bonds of this kind. None questioned the legal ability or integrity of the men named, in fact every one of them are regarded as among the ablest lawyers Texas ever produced, consequently Davidson was perfectly justified in following the rulings of his predecessor. As we understand it, it is not the Attorney General's duty to pass upon the constitutionality

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of any law; this is a prerogative of the courts alone. In approving bonds all the Attorney General is required to do is to see that the law governing the issue of bonds is complied with. It the legislature has been enacting unconstitutional laws the legislature and governor are to blame, if any blame is to be attached to anyone. If the governor or who ever he may be is satisfied a law is unconstitutional it is his duty to veto it. The courts may not be any better judges of the law than the governor or the Attorney General but as the Supreme Court has the final say on all laws its decision stands, though every lawyer in Texas may disagree with the Court. Doubtless a scape-goat to appease the wrath of the public and not a doubt that Davidson if possible will be made to bear the sins of omission and commission of the past legislatures, and of past and present state administrations. Listen for the anti-Davidson howl from the organs that want to sacrifice the present Attorney General because he stands in the way of some of the biggest trusts in the country.

NO WIFE FOR THE POOR MAN.

The girl who doesn't take care of her clothes is no wife for the poor man: she needs some one who can give her an unlimited dress allowance and a maid to look after her. There is another point. If it is too much trouble to take care of her clothes before, it will be too much trouble to take care of her house-keeping stores after marriage, with the result that a large part of them will be wasted.

PARADOXICAL TYPES.

"Funny, isn't it, that all poets and romancers make the typical milkmaid rosy-checked?"

"Why shouldn't she be?"
"Because the nature of her occupation makes her a pail girl."

SNAKE OPAL LUCKY.

A "snake opal" must be an invaluable possession. It is the "lucky stone" of the Mojave Indians, who say it frightens away bad luck. The stone is not beautiful, but might appeal to those who like "gems" that are "different." It is said that the Indians never allow these stones to leave the tribe if they can help it, and will not part with one for any consideration. Tradition has made the stone one of good omen, but that counts for little, as tradition is generally hooted at in the present day, and wherever it raises its head other stones than snake opals are shielded at it. Perhaps some superstitions bridge player, however, will try to get hold of a snake opal and try its efficacy.

THE FIRST AMERICAN CLASS.

The first American glass factory was erected in the town of Temple, N. H. Washington, in his diary, speaks of glass being made in New Haven, Conn., in the year 1789. One would suppose by the language he uses that he considers it a new and quite extraordinary affair. It was nine years previous to this, and during the very war whose issue first enabled the country to commence its own manufacturing, that Robert Hewes of Boston began to carry out the project which he had long conceived, but had hitherto found impracticable, if not impossible, under English rule—that of making glass in America for America.—Crockery and Glass Journal.