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Legislative.

Senate bill allowing county judges to try lunacy cases at the residence of the lunatic finally passed the House.

Mr. Miller had taken up House bill regulating the sale of cocaine. This also passed the House.

The Governor signed the Hancock anti-pool selling bill. The measure does not carry the emergency clause and consequently will not become effective until 90 days after the adjournment of the Legislature.

The Senate spent practically all of Tuesday considering the Hale bill, fixing the salaries of the principals and assistants of the State Normals. Quite a stir was created in the Senate during the debate on this bill on account of allegations being made that the Peabody fund had been misused. According to the present law the principals received \$2000 and the assistants \$1500, and the formers' salary were supplemented by \$1000 each by the Peabody fund. But as the Peabody fund is to be withdrawn, the bill sought to fix the salaries of the principals at \$3000 by the State. After debating the proposition at length the matter was compromised by fixing the salary of the principals at \$2500 and the assistants were increased from \$1500 to \$1800.

House bill by Mr. Napier to prohibit any incorporation not created under the laws of Texas to construct, own and operate a railroad in Texas, passed the Senate with amendments in which the House concurred.

STATUS OF LAND BILL.

Wednesday the Murray amendment to the Bryan Land bill was adopted, the effect of which is:

That no person desiring to move to Texas can purchase lands from this State until they shall have been here a year.

The Murray substitute made no provision for the sale of timber from lands of the State. Mr. Duff and others offered an amendment to insert in the bill the provisions of the present law, while Mr. Bean offered a substitute providing for a higher price. Both the substitute and the amendment were defeated. Should the bill become a law in its present shape, the Land Commissioner can sell no more timber from the land, but will be permitted to sell the land with the timber, under many restrictions.

The Murray substitute placed the minimum price of the lands at \$1, the same as the present law.

An amendment offered by Mr. Boyd providing that the minimum price should be \$1 for grazing land, was adopted.

The Murray substitute provided that the purchasers of the land should pay 4 per cent interest on deferred payments, the requirements being the same as the present statute. An amendment by Mr. Boyd providing that the actual settler shall pay at the rate of 3 per cent, was adopted.

The bill has now been so loaded with amendments that it seems to be in danger. It is impossible that it can again be taken up except on unanimous consent or a two-thirds vote.

A minority numbering more than one-third of the membership can prevent the bill coming up.

Mr. Miller of Howard, who op-

posed the Murray substitute, declares that there will be no land legislation this session.

The Murray substitute, as it now stands, provides that the Land Commissioner shall fix a minimum price on all lands, not less than \$1 for grazing land, nor more than \$2 for agricultural land; that each tract shall be offered for sale to the highest bidder, after due advertisement, in quantities not to exceed 2,560 acres. The bidders must put up earnest money; they shall, if they succeed, within 90 days become actual settlers on some portion of the land. A bidder who does not comply with the terms of his purchase shall forfeit his earnest money and shall be barred for three years from making any purchase. Purchasers must reside on the land for 3 consecutive years to complete title, otherwise the Land Commissioner may forfeit the sale. The Commissioner is also authorized to forfeit for non-payment of interest and for attempt to transfer before certificate of title shall have been issued. If the purchaser shall die time for payment of interest shall be extended one year and his heirs need not complete the 3 years' residence on the lands. Claims forfeited for non-payment of interest may be reinstated upon arrears, providing that no rights of third parties have intervened.

The Commissioner is authorized to lease lands which, in his judgment, are not in immediate demand for actual settlement, the price being fixed by him at not less than 30 per acre. Lands leased prior to April, 1901, located in Kent, Garza, Linn, Scurry, Borden, Dawson, Mitchell, Martin, Howard, Coke, Sterling, Glasscock, Tom Green, Iron, Schleicher, Menard, Mason, Uvalde, Frio, Kerr and Bandera counties shall not be subject to sale until the expiration of the leases; provided, however, that all such lands shall be subject to sale after April 19, 1906. Lands hereafter leased in such counties shall be subject to sale at any time. Lands leased in Kimble, Winkler, Terry, Yoakum, Gaines, Andrews, Ector and Midland counties shall not be subject to sale during the life of the present leases, but all leases shall terminate April 1, 1906, and lands hereafter leased shall be subject to sale at any time.

Lands leased in El Paso, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Brewster, Reeves, Pecos, Loving, Ward, Crockett, Upton, Crane, Sutton, Val Verde, Edwards, Kinney, Maverick, Starr, Zavalla, Dimmit, LaSalle, Nueces, McMullen, Webb, Duval, Zapata, Hidalgo and Cameron counties shall not be disturbed during the term of leases heretofore or hereafter made.

The school and asylum lands in El Paso, Jeff Davis, Presidio, Val Verde, Brewster, Reeves, Scurry, Ward, Upton, Crane, Crockett, Sutton, Edwards, Kinney, Dimmit, Maverick, Zavalla, LaSalle, Duval, McMullen, Webb, Nueces, Zapata, Starr, Hidalgo and Cameron are reserved from sale until surveyed, classified and appraised and placed on the market by the Commissioner of the General Land Office.

It is claimed that Mrs. Maybrick, imprisoned in England, will be released in July, 1904, when she will have served a term of imprisonment of 15 years' duration.

Molasses Feeding Experiment.

Wade Hampton, of Pauls Valley, has shipped his second lot of molasses-fed hogs to Fort Worth. He has faith in that feed as a fatterer and will next week place 100 head of cattle and a number of hogs on feed at the stock yards in pens that have been placed at his disposal by the Stock Yards company, free of charge, for the purpose of demonstrating the value of the feed.

The ration for the cattle will be one-half gallon of molasses, three pounds of corn chops and about twelve pounds of either prairie hay or cottonseed hulls. The cattle will be purchased there on the open market and finished off—the length of time required depending of course upon the condition of the animals when placed in the pens. In no case, however, will it require over 90 days for them to be full finished.

The hogs will also be purchased at that market, and will be kept separate from the cattle. The time for finishing them will not be over 30 days. Their ration will consist of molasses and chops.

STATE NEWS.

Six negroes at McKinney have smallpox.

Evans' store at Chico burned Thursday.

Cattlemen did but little trading at Childress.

A new morning paper with \$75,000 capital, is talked of for Fort Worth.

Lynn county, heretofore attached to Lubbock, will be organized April 7, with Tahoka as county seat.

Miss Nora Traner, who run a boarding house at Dallas, was burned to death Tuesday while pouring oil on a fire.

Election for the county seat of the new county of Reagan will take place April 20. A place called Stiles is a candidate for it.

Elsie Isham, aged 28, is in jail at Granbury charged with horse-theft. He has once before served a term in the pen for a similar offence.

Truck growers in Stephenville will plant 400 acres of canteloupes and the acreage in cotton in Erath county will be increased 20 per cent.

Already 1658 cars have been engaged for Territory shipments from San Angelo in April. It is estimated that 3000 cars will go out this season.

Fisher county voted last Saturday to issue \$19,000 worth of bridge bonds, but rejected the proposition to issue \$25,000 worth to build a courthouse.

Rev. Geo. Truitt, who has been pastor of the First Baptist church, Dallas, for five years, has received a call from the Calvary Baptist church, Kansas City.

Judge W. T. Beverly, judge of the 59th judicial district, composed of Grayson and Collin counties, died at Sherman Tuesday. He was a man of considerable prominence and lived at McKinney.

At Abilene Robert Kenney, a wealthy young farmer, against whom Alice Biery obtained judgment for \$6,500 recently, for breach of promise, married the plaintiff, and all the cases are dismissed. She sued him for \$25,000.

Crown Princess Attempts Suicide

London Chronicle says: Former Crown Princess Louise of Saxony made a desperate attempt to commit suicide by taking poison. Her physician discovered the fact that she had taken poison, and though she was unconscious when discovered, he succeeded in reviving her after considerable difficulty. The Crown Princess has been extremely despondent since the publication of a letter by the King of Saxony to the effect that her elopement was but the culmination of the misdeeds of a woman who had long ago secretly fallen. She wished to reply to this letter but was not permitted to do so.

Spur Ranch People Want a Railroad.

A special to the Register says: Illustrative of the change of sentiment with large cattle companies in West Texas concerning the building of more railroads into this section, the company operating the Big Spur ranch in Dickens county, is said to be offering a cash bonus of \$50,000 and free right of way to any railway company that will enter that territory. It is understood the Texas Central people are coquetting with that proposition and are inclined to move out from Stamford in that direction.

Why They Kick.

From the amount of kick being raised against the Decker bill at Amarillo and Hereford every section of land up there must have been proved up illegally and all the people implicated in the practice. Down this way there is no scare.—Childress Index.

W. A. Jakel of Brenham, is planning to take his band, that of the Second Infantry of Texas Volunteers, to the World's Fair at St. Louis. The band is considered one of the best in the State, but Mr. Jakel says that he will add enough men to it to make it aggregate about 60 members, and will have them go into hard practice for the Fair. In finding additional men for the organization he says he will make a pick of the best musicians in Texas.

The Golden State limited and the Flyer, the fast El Paso trains, are to be annulled March 29. It has been demonstrated that the Rock Island track between Chicago and Kansas City is in no shape for fast travel. There has been such a press of freight business that it is impossible to make time. The trains are to be discontinued in order to allow the construction of over 90 miles of side track between Kansas City and Davenport. The fast trains will start again at the termination of the improvements.

All kinds of models for patent rights made at Anderson's repair shop.

The following epitaph appears in a Monroe county, Mo., churchyard: Poor Nan Brown's feet were never warm, But always cold as ice. She took a red hot brick to bed And thought it, oh! so nice. The fire department came too late. They raised an awful row, But couldn't find poor Nan at all, Her feet are warmer now.

A club of young ladies in Kansas have adopted this motto: "The young men who smoke sheroots, can never put their lips beneath our snoots." The boys should retaliate by telling them that "the girls who chew the gummy-gum, with us can never yummy-yum."—Ex.

Is Suicide A Sin?

At St. Louis Sunday, in a sermon on the theme "Is Suicide a Sin?" the Rev. Abraham Nelson, pastor of the Lindell Avenue Christian church, non-sectarian, declared that self-destruction is not always sinful. He says extenuating circumstances are frequent, and adds, "When a man has been taunted and goaded to the limit, suicide presents the only solution. If peace or death is slow in coming to the man who earnestly desires it and his lot is more than he can bear, who shall stay his hand in the act that brings him relief?"



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COL. ED BUTLER, the St. Louis Democratic leader and boodler, convicted of bribery, is touring Texas this week. If there is any probability of his becoming a citizen of this State he should be promptly quarantined.

It was reported in Washington that a hitch had come up in the engagement between Miss Thaw and the Earl of Yarmouth because the trustees of her property limited her allowance to \$25,000 a year. A man that \$25,000 a year would not "thaw" out must be pretty frigid.

GAMBLERS and boodlers are not suppressed in St. Louis, by a great deal. In fact, there are certain indications that they receive certain sanction by parties high in authority, and it looks as though Mr. Folk, who has done so much to enforce the law against the above class, is to be sat upon. As an indication, last Monday night a banquet was given D. R. Francis, president of the World's Fair, by Mayor Rolla Wells, and Joseph W. Folk was conspicuously absent. The incident has created a great deal of talk, and in speaking of it the Post-Dispatch says: "In his introductory speech Mayor Wells designated the dinner as a public function, saying, 'You, gentlemen, have been selected as my guests for the reason that you represent all that is progressive and essential in the formation and maintenance of this city of which we are all so proud.' Surely Circuit Attorney Folk must be classed as a representative St. Louisian within the mayor's definition. He has done the greatest work of municipal purification in the history of St. Louis. He has exposed more corruption and prosecuted more corruptionists than any man that ever held the office of public prosecutor. He has a national reputation as a boodler fighter." After giving a list of persons present, the paper further says, "Some of the gentlemen who were scorched by Mr. Folk's fire were invited. Why was Mr. Folk ignored? Why was he placed outside the pale of representative St. Louisians—the elect of the World's Fair city? Does it mean that the elect have turned their faces from Folk and cast him into outer darkness? If so, why?" Mr. Francis and Mr. Wells may retain their positions at the head of a great political party by such action, but respect for them by the best people will not be increased.

A law compelling land owners to have a first-class road around each section, whenever the people of the precinct demand it, would solve the land problem in the Panhandle. Texas solons might study Uncle Sam's land laws in Oklahoma with profit!—Quanah Tribune.

But, Harry, suppose a ranchman owns the whole precinct, or two or three of them, when would there be a demand from within the precinct for an open road? The Oklahoma law that does not allow a fence across a section line would be better.

We have received from Orin Proctor, secretary of the Northwest Texas Press Association, a copy of the Minutes of the last annual meeting, held at Jacksboro in August. They were printed by the Memphis Herald and the work is neat.

The Socialists of Lawrence, Kas., nominated a city ticket, all the candidates being women.

Amarillo.

Champion.

The latest thing in town is Charlie Tolleson's automobile. It is a regular beauty and is built for speed.

Better order is noticeable around the depot since J. W. Keeton has acted as watchman for the railroad company.

Another grading outfit for the Choctaw arrived in town Monday. They will work on the other end of the line about 80 miles from here.

C. C. Carr of Moore county, killed a 2-year-old steer Monday and sold it in Channing by the piece, realizing a little more than \$63.

Ira Wyrick, aged about 55 years, one of the first settlers in Amarillo, died at the sanitarium Monday. He died from consumption, with which disease he had been afflicted for years. It is said he began here as a telegraph operator.

To Chew the Same Old Rag.

Senator Bacon declares that the tariff debate in the next Congress will be one of the greatest in history. He predicts that much less will be heard of "free trade" than in similar discussions in the past, and that there is a growing sentiment amongst Eastern and Southern Democrats against indiscriminate revisions of the present schedules, to which the business of the country has become adjusted. In other words, there will be little done besides a flow of oratory to the galleries, to again be referred to in the following political campaign.

Cattlemen at Childress.

The Panhandle Cattlemen's Association changed their time of meeting to the third Tuesday in April while in session at Childress this week, and decided on Amarillo as next place of meeting. The officers elected are: T. S. Bugbee of Clarendon, elected president for the fourth term; T. J. Richards of Paducah and Nud Wilkins of Quanah, vice presidents; J. T. Holland of Amarillo, treasurer; E. H. Brainard of Canadian, secretary.

President Bugbee's report for the year just closed shows a membership of 375 stockmen, but he said there should be at least five times as many. He stated that the object and purposes of the Association were:

1. To protect the honest citizen against the depredations of those who live by the efforts of their fellow men. No industry is so exposed to the ravages of thieves and marauders as that of raising range cattle, and consequently there is no business so much benefited by thorough organization.
2. To co-operate in the formation and execution of such plans as may be deemed conducive to the development of the live stock industry of the great Panhandle.
3. To cultivate a union of effort and to promote a harmonious exercise of such effort in the live stock industry.

President Bugbee is an advocate of smaller ranches and better cattle, and says that the future hopes of the Panhandle stockman are to be found in raising feed crops sufficient to feed his cattle during the winter months. In regard to the packing houses at Fort Worth, he says that they open up a new market at the very door of the Panhandle and give the cattlemen advantages unsurpassed by any cattle producing section of the United States. It is hard, he said, to realize yet what these Texas packing houses mean to Texas cattlemen.

The report of the secretary was as follows:

"To the Officers and Members of the Panhandle Cattlemen's Association of Texas: I beg to make the following report: Our Association is in a thriving condition and the books show that we have resources

to the amount of \$3,624.85. The principal part of this being due from members in arrears on assessments and annual dues. The exceedingly low prices, difficulty in making sales and very extraordinary hard winter being the principal cause of so many being in arrears. We have had the following names added to our membership since the last annual meeting held at Quanah, March, 1902: G. P. Dickson, H. P. Omans, J. N. Lilly, J. N. Sanford, John Burson, Lee Bivens, R. C. Graves, G. W. Luveston, H. M. Franklyn, William Lane, J. D. Thompson, W. T. Crabtree, R. R. Wheatley, R. F. Packer, H. M. Jackson, P. W. Kinney, William Burton, Gideon Bell, J. O. Smith, J. O. Small, Jack Hall, G. B. Martin, J. M. Alexander, W. E. George, J. D. Earnest, Abney Ranch Co., R. P. Hutton, Harris Brothers, J. M. Noel, J. E. Everett, W. A. Hubbard, B. C. Maddox, E. A. Hurst, W. H. Small, G. W. Ayers, Sherwood Brothers, Mrs. Fannie Handley, L. H. Rosser & Son, D. L. Green, W. C. Sherrod, J. D. Burkett. We have reports from the inspectors at the different points that they have cut from different parties and sold or returned to owners 48 head of cattle during the year just past, showing very evidently that our influence is being felt and that the so-called rustler has concluded not to handle cattle belonging to members of the Association."

Hon. J. H. Stephens introduced four resolutions, which were endorsed by the unanimous vote of the convention. The first, for the leasing of the public lands of the United States on lines similar to those of the State of Texas; second, asking the State Legislature and Congress to pass bills now pending for the purpose of defining the boundary lines of the Panhandle; third, indorsing the bill now in Congress permitting cattle to remain on board cars in transit to market for 40 hours instead of 28 as now; fourth, a resolution urging the Government to sink a deep well in the Panhandle, and indorsing the move now on at Childress to have the Government take charge of the well now at Childress.

On account of sickness, neither Hon. Walker Hall of Vernon, nor Hon. Jerry Simpson of Roswell, N. M., were present to make speeches, as was anticipated.

The following is the new Executive committee: W. C. Isaacs of Canadian, William Harrell of Amarillo, Ed Slavin of Texola, O. T., C. T. Word of Canyon City, A. J. Morton of Quanah, R. B. Pyron of Sweetwater, G. A. Sachse of Hereford. They will meet at Amarillo April 1 to appoint inspectors for the coming year and to formulate a policy for the year's work.

There is every indication, without official confirmation, that the Rock Island road now has a controlling interest in the H. & T. C., and the Fort Worth Register says there is a belief in railroad circles that offices of the Central will be transferred to Fort Worth. A general shift of this sort is known to be impending. A meeting of the Central stockholders will be held April 6, and the whole matter is expected then to come out.

The Vernon Call, in speaking of the 150 Frisco immigration agents who visited Vernon, says: A banquet was given at the opera house. There were speeches by Judge Huff and others and all enjoyed the occasion. The excursionists said Vernon people entertained them better than any other place they had yet visited. C. T. Herring was toastmaster. T. H. Shive, the Vernon implement dealer, met them at the train with wagons drawn by a traction engine.

YOUR CASH

Is worth as much to us as to any firm in Clarendon and we will duplicate prices of any business house in town. We will continue to extend such accommodations to our friends and customers as is consistent with prudent business policy.

We realize the fact that many of our best citizens find it much more convenient and satisfactory to run 30-day accounts than to pay spot cash. To all such we say: We will take pleasure in supplying your needs in our lines and shall use our best efforts to please you.

To such as may require more than 30 days time on their purchases we say: if their responsibility or security justifies it we will also take care of them.

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To the one getting the next highest list, we will give a free admission ticket good for one week.

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To all that contest for these Prizes and don't win we will allow a commission of **TEN PER CENT.**

TIME TABLE.

Fort Worth & Denver City Railway.
NORTH BOUND.
 No. 1, Mail and Express..... 8:47 p. m.
 No. 7, Passenger and Express..... 10:15 a. m.
SOUTH BOUND.
 No. 2, Mail and Express..... 7:15 a. m.
 No. 8, Passenger and Express..... 6:55 p. m.
 J. W. KENNEDY, Local St.

Business locals five cents per line first insertion and 3 cents for subsequent insertions. All locals run and are charged for until ordered out. Transient notices and job work are cash, other bills on first of month.

Business Locals.

Go to Anderson for Well Casing and Flue work.

Fat cattle and hogs will find ready sale at Bob Troup's meat market.

Do you want accident or life insurance? See A. J. Barnett for the best policy.

For early Ohio Seed Potatoes and reliable Onion Sets call at Stockings' drug store and you will be sure to get what you want.

Dr. F. G. Waite, the Eyesight Specialist of Amarillo, will be in Clarendon, at Ramsey's drug store, Thursday, April 2, remaining three days. Eyes examined. Glasses fitted.

We are agents for the Amarillo Steam Laundry. Baskets leave Tuesday night and return Saturday morning. Family washing a specialty. DUBBS & BEVILLE, Globe Confectionery.

Notice.

All notices for publication in this paper must be in the office by noon on Mondays and Fridays to insure publication in following issues.

Local and Personal.

Fine fruit and candies at the Globe Confectionery.

G. M. Bugbee, of Hall county, loaded out Thursday with supplies.

J. M. Clower, who intended going to Tucumcari Tuesday night, did not get off.

John McKillop and Cliff White took a run down to Childress Wednesday to size up the cattle crowd. They returned next morning.

Anderson's repair shop at the corner of First and Carhart Sts., opposite water works pumping station, does all kinds of Roofing. Call or leave orders with Hartman.

Two new lumber yards are being put in at Amarillo, making five in the town. An enrollment of 600 is claimed for their school, and a new school house is to be built. The Catholics have begun the erection of a church also.

Joe Beaty, who had the grip for a week, received promptly his check from Mr. Barnett's Accident Insurance company for full amount of sick benefit; also Mr. Mundy, who was hurt by his horse falling on him, received just as promptly the amount due him.

Rev. D. E. Baker, of Miami, arrived here Wednesday on his way to the Baptist Fifth Sunday meeting at Memphis. He preached at the Baptist church Wednesday night. He left yesterday with Rev. Skinner for Memphis.

Mrs. J. B. Cheney, who has suffered for some time with heart trouble, died at the residence of Mrs. Hilderbrand Wednesday, and was buried at the Citizens' cemetery Thursday. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. S. Hardy. She was in her 55th year.

Rev. J. B. Cole of Memphis, preached an excellent sermon at the Baptist church here Sunday. He went up the road the same night. He is traveling for the purpose of getting as many Baptist people as possible committed in favor of Memphis for the location of the proposed Baptist college. He had already been as far south as Wichita Falls.

Mrs. A. W. Collins is visiting her father and family at Childress this week.

County Clerk Morgan is with his mother at Roanoke this week. She is reported dangerously ill.

Top market prices at Fort Worth Thursday were: Steers, \$3.85; hogs, \$7.50. Receipts were: Cattle, 583; hogs, 1079.

Mr. F. Y. Keator, from Aurora, Ill., is here with a view to purchasing several sections of land for a ranch for thoroughbred cattle.

W. H. Meador spent Thursday in Memphis on business. He says Denny's stock of merchandise is being moved to Childress and a new firm is succeeding them with a general store.

We are told Clarendon could have easily secured the next Panhandle cattlemen's meeting if we only had the hotel facilities to care for them. Knowing this, it was not even asked for.

S. H. Hunt had no trouble selling out all the seed potatoes he brought in after advertising them in THE CHRONICLE. We are pleased to note, also, that the sick in his family are improving.

A cold, drizzling rain fell Thursday and a nother swooped down on us during the night. Yesterday morning there was some ice here. Considerable snow fell at Amarillo and the ground was white as far south as Washburne.

C. E. Crowe and family have returned from Kentucky and are living in the Smede house. Mrs. Crowe soon decided after moving there that it did not compare with Texas to live in and concluded to return at once, not even waiting for their household goods to arrive.

The prospectors who went to Tucumcari report it a wild and woolly place. A lot of gamblers got into a shooting scrape there Monday night at a dance house and the owners of the place, Curly and Hoffman, were killed, also a young man named Kenneth Woodward, whose parents live at Quanah. A Mexican was wounded.

In order to recuperate from her recent spell of sickness, Miss Norma Skinner resigned as teacher in the public school, and Miss Katie Kimbrough, of Tennessee, was elected to fill the place, which is being temporarily filled by Miss Donnell. Miss Kimbrough is highly recommended. We have not learned just what time she is expected here.

College Attractions.

Mr. H. D. Ramsey has kindly consented to let the ladies of the College Circle use one of his windows to display their Easter handkerchiefs and doileys. Every lady who likes a pretty handkerchief is invited to inspect these two or three days before Easter Sunday.

The ladies of the College Circle made such a success of their "District Skule" entertainment given at the College chapel a few weeks ago, that their many friends have asked for another entertainment. So on Friday evening, April 3, they will give "Ye Old-time Singing Skule." Admission 25 cents. They will repeat the program Saturday afternoon. The admission in the afternoon will be 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children. Everybody is cordially invited to be present, enjoy a pleasant time and at the same time aid in finishing the College fence just begun.

Guns repaired at Anderson's shop in first-class style.

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Only a few more bushels of Early Ohio Seed Potatoes at Stockings' store.

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Giles Gossip.

CHRONICLE Correspondence.

Mrs. Frankey Mann of Clarendon, is visiting friends at Giles this week.

Mr. Van Eves, railroad foreman here, has resigned and will go to the hospital at Fort Worth to be treated for a bad case of inflammatory rheumatism.

Mrs. George Coursey is reported somewhat better.

Mrs. E. H. Watt gave a musical entertainment to the young folks Saturday evening, which was a very enjoyable affair.

Mr. Kelso and family of Alvord, arrived here on the 20th. He will succeed Mr. Van Eves as foreman of sections 44 and 45.

Measles have appeared in Mr. W. S. Price's family, his eldest son, Eugene, being down with them.

Henry Reed came up from Childress Saturday to spend Sunday with his family, who are visiting at Geo. Craine's.

The Misses Rhey, Devine and Young were pleasant callers in town Saturday.

Rasco Johnston has his two 200-egg incubators running in full blast out at the Diamond Tail ranch. "Smokey" thinks he will have frying chicks to burn this summer.

Mrs. Collinson of Greenville, arrived here Sunday night and will visit through the summer with her sons P. C. and Gus Johnson.

T. A. Curtis went to the Cattlemen's convention at Childress Monday.

Bud Watt, nephew of E. H. Watt, arrived here from Corsicana Monday.

Jesse Ring came in from his ranch in Colingworth county Monday and left for the Childress convention.

Big Ranch Sale.

Negotiations for the sale of the El Capitain Land and Cattle company's ranches near Richardson, N. M., to a syndicate headed by W. A. Johnson of Buckner, Mo., have been concluded. The purchase price is \$400,000. This cattle transaction has been pending for some time. The sale includes ranch property, equipment, a general store at Richardson, and a guarantee of 25,000 head of cattle. The contract provides a stated price for the cattle, 25,000, and a forfeit for each head falling below that number. The brand of the El Capitain company is known as "3 boxes on one side."

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Plenty of Lobbyists at Austin.

There has been no session of the Texas Legislature in the past with as many lobbyists in attendance as the present one. While some good laws have been passed, the lobbyist, in his work for and against different bills, has got in effective work. Many of our readers, perhaps, did not get to read Hogg's speech, so we will produce his remarks on the lobbyist.

"The born lobbyist is very much misunderstood. It is confused in its application. It is often made to apply to gentlemen who pursue a clean, legitimate business, while appearing before the Legislature or the committee. A lobbyist, in the proper sense of the word, is a man who, regardless of his political affiliations and sentiments, advocates the defeat or passage of any measure for pay by personal solicitations among the members. He goes about and gives dinners, dispenses champagne, hands out cigars, supplies free passes, furnishes tickets to the theatres, procures private entertainments, gives carriage rides and escorts, cajoles and flatters susceptible members of the Legislature. The highest courts in the country have branded this class with the stamp of infamy, to the extent that no contract for services rendered by them as lobbyists can be enforced in the courts. From circumspect Judges, as well as in the opinion of all self-respecting men everywhere, this class of gentry deserves the pity, the contempt and the ridicule of every one. They do more to scandalize the fair name of Texas than any other class of human beings.

"The bravado of the past, the bandit of early days, the mankiller and highwayman, all combined, have not done half as much to shame Texas as these knights of Congress avenue, who come here with the deliberate intention of prostituting legislation by any means within their power. These men are here for hire by any and all people who desire to defeat good or promote vicious legislation. They are well paid because of their ingenuity and reprehensible methods. When there is a dearth in legislative scarecrows they have bills, vicious bills, intolerable to fair-minded men in this State, introduced for the purpose of compelling foreign people and legitimate corporations into putting up money to defeat such measures. As a rule they are the originators of many bills every session of the Legislature that are pernicious and frightful to the interests involved in them. Such measures as these draw forth from interested parties thousands of dollars which these nimble-fingered manipulators of vicious legislation accept as pay for their unhallowed, disgraceful services.

"On the other hand at times it becomes proper and necessary for people interested in legislation to appear in person or by agent before the Legislature or the committees thereof for the purpose of setting forth their claims or taking testimony, preparing arguments and submitting them, either orally or writing, for the purpose of reaching only the understanding of the persons sought to be influenced. The highest courts have held that a contract for this class of service is valid. Every citizen has the right and should be permitted to go without question before a legislative committee, or before either branch of the Legislature, when permitted, to discuss any measure pending before it. Every private and municipal corporation and every firm and association of persons has the right to send its attorney or agent before such committee to discuss the merits of any bill affecting their

rights. This class of service is clearly distinguishable from the sneaking, button-holing, sleeve-touching, arming, champagne-smearing influence professional lobbyists attempt to use upon the legislator. Above all the free pass dispenser and free lunch giver, who carries his roll of greenbacks in his overcoat pocket to foot the bills, incurred for his personal influence among the members, is the most contemptible.

"It will be a glorious day in Texas when, in obedience to the supreme sovereign will of the people, our Representatives shall be free from such contaminating influences. If tonight I were in the Paradise of Heaven I should look with grief upon these conditions in Texas. If I were in the seething crater of perdition I should look with pity upon these conditions, which, if continued, must make Texas hell itself.

"Let us have Texas, the Empire State, governed by the people; not Texas, the truck-patch, ruled by corporate lobbyists!"

Reduced Rates.

Pease River Presbytery, Seymour, Texas—April 9, 10, 11; rate of one and one-third fare on the certificate plan basis.

Epworth League Conference—Rate, \$18.25 for round trip to San Antonio selling date, April 23; final limit to leave San Antonio, April 28.

Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias of Texas at Fort Worth—Rate, \$9.15 for round trip; sell, April 20; limit, April 24.

Grand Lodge Sons of Herman, New Braunfels, Texas—Sell, April 8; limit, April 17; rate, one and one-third fare for round trip.

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The passenger department of the Houston and Texas Central Railroad announces a special low one-way colist rate of \$25.00 from all main line points to California. Tickets on sale February 15 to June 15, inclusive, and it is probable that an unusual number will take advantage of this exceptionally low rate to visit the Golden State. Tickets are good for continuous passage, though in California stop-overs will be allowed at all Southern Pacific stations, while special rates have been made to various points within California.

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