

# THE TERRY COUNTY HERALD

L. 3. BROWNFIELD, TERRY COUNTY, TEXAS, FRIDAY, May 24, 1907. No. 13

eminide has a new gin.  
 Snyder will soon have an oil mill.  
 Senator Hawkins will move back to Midland soon.  
 Wheat is advancing in price leaps and bounds.  
 Washington is still investigating the Brownsville raid.

Bonilla, the exiled President of Honduras is in Galveston.  
 Foraker and Taft are doing political stumps in Ohio just now.  
 The Dallas and Ft. Worth In-rurban had a collision of 2 cars injuring five people.

Texas Press Association enthusiastic convention in Galveston.  
 Dallas is having a hot time over the Mayors race.

An interesting and exciting trial of the great Socialists is being pulled off in Idaho.

Barstow on the Pecos is digging for deep water, and preparing for large irrigation by drainage.

Foreign immigration to Texas reaching an alarming number, being mostly undesirable citizens.

The State Treasurer announces that state is over a million dollars ahead at present and may run thru the year with cash.

Waters-Pierce Ouster suit at Austin are having warm wrangles over a change of venue, from that place for trial.

Clay McConagill still holds the world's record as a roper. Roping and tying down a steer in 21 seconds, at a meet in Arizona last week.

The Earth is caving in out in Pecos County near Sierra Blanca some large holes found freshly unken.

Senators Pettus and Morgan of Alabama, aged 85 and 83 years are the oldest members of the senate, and have held public office for 65 and 47 years respectively.

H. Clay Pierce' application for writ of Habeas Corpus was denied him at St. Louis last week, and he was placed subject to arrest, but immediately appealed to the U. S. Supreme Court. He was pleasant, shook hands with Sheriff Matthews of Travis County who was there after him and said: "I was thinking of going back to Texas with you in my private car." Pierce will return on and answer to the charges against him.

Abraham Reuff the great San Francisco's political boss who is about to face trial on charges of extortion and corruption, plead

guilty in open court his attorneys being excused. He was pale and nearly fainting when he entered the plea, stating that he had started with high ideals, but had gradually stooped into corruption to hold his party machine together, and because the people have been taught by the press that they had to pay for a franchise there, and offered it, and he would not refuse the bribes.

### SCHOOL BONDS.

A petition was presented to the County Judge from Gomez asking for an election to vote bonds to build a school house there, but the Commissioners court decided that if bonds were to be voted at Gomez or Brownfield, that they would reduce the size of the district, on account of the laws fastening the territory on which the bonds were voted until all the bonds and interest were paid, which is likely to be twenty years. On advice from Gomez and Brownfield that they would rather the district stand like they are than have the bonds with reduced districts, the Court will not order an election for same, at either place for the present.

Brownfield and Needmore will vote on special tax June 8. next.

### NOTARIES PUBLIC.

Following are the notaries appointed for the next two years, provided they qualify by June 1, next.

- Brownfield; W. R. Spencer, Percy Spencer, W. T. Dixon, G. W. Neill, B. H. Robinson, W. E. Robinson.
- Gomez; W. T. McPherson, J. T. Gainer, G. E. Lockhart, J. Cross, B. L. Thompson, W. D. Courier.
- Sligo; J. J. Kendrick, R. M. Kendrick, J. B. Jordan, Pat McHugh.
- Plains; W. J. Luna.
- Bronco; H. R. Fields.
- Aldie; R. H. Hurst.

T. N. Jones a prominent party leader of Tyler has declared for Bryan for President, and says its time Texas is getting in line.

### SAYS ROAD IS ASSURED.

Carlsbad, N. M. May 16 '07. H. W. Scott wired from Okmulgee, I. T., to Capt. E. P. Bryce of this city as follows: "Chief Engineer Edwards myself and wife will attend your irrigation celebration, July 3-4-5. Our railroad project is assured. You have been made a permanent director." This relates to the proposed Kansas City, Oklahoma and El Paso road. — Dallas News.

**L. W. SLONEKER'S  
 BROKEN DOLLAR STORE  
 Is The Only One Price Cash House**  
 that  
*Sells everything from a Pin to a National Bank*  
 We have a complete line of Racket goods, and can save you from 30 to 50 per cent on all goods purchased from our store.  
 Men's good all part wool suits from \$6.00 to \$11.00 each. Boys 3 piece suits: \$3.98 to \$5.00 each. Children's suits from \$1.40 to \$2.10. Genuine Buck and Horse hide gloves, \$.98 per pair. Mocha gloves \$.98 per pair. Colt skin shoes \$1.68, Kangaroo calf \$2.20. All other shoes in like manner. Hats from 5c to \$2.35 best grade and brand. All kinds of shelf hardware, glassware, silverware, tinware etc., Lenolium art squares, matting, carpets, rugs, picture frames and pictures of all description. Come to see me, I will save you money.  
 Yours for low prices,  
**L. W. SLONEKER**  
 North side square Plainview, Texas

**THE MOORE LAND CO**  
 Want to settle up Terry County;  
 They have the buyers, and want a Place to put them. List your land with them  
*They'll do The rest.*  
 Brownfield Texas

IF ITS NOT RIGHT; WE MAKE IT RIGHT  
**GARY & BURNS**  
**GENERAL MERCHANDISE  
 JOBBERS & RETAILERS**  
 Leading store of West Texas  
 Big Springs Texas Midland Texas

**COME TO PLAINVIEW  
 and get your Groceries**  
 We Can Save You Money  
 on any anything in the Grocer line, especially Staple Groceries, such as Salt, Sugar, and flour.  
 WE LEAD, OTHERS FOLLOW  
 We have the goods, and the price is right. We handle goods by the car, and pay cash. Bring your Eggs and Chickens, we can use all you bring.  
 Try us, we'll save you money  
 Moreland-Lash Grocer Company.  
 N. W. Corner square, Plainview, Texas.  
 Front First National Bank

### AFFIDAVIT OF COMMISSIONERS COURT to TREASURER'S QUARTERLY REPORT

In the matter of county finances in the hands of W. J. Head, Treasurer of Terry county, Texas.

Commissioners' court, Terry county Texas, in regular quarterly session, May term 1907.

WE, the under signed, as county commissioners within and for said Terry county, and the Hon. G. W. Neill, as County Judge of said Terry county, constituting the entire commissioners court of said county, and each one of us, do hereby certify that on this, the 16th day of May A. D. 1907, at a regular quarterly term of our said court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of W. J. Head, Treasurer of Terry county, Texas, for the quarter beginning on first day of February, A. D. 1907, and ending on the 30th day of April, A. D. 1907, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Terry county, stating the approval of said Treasurers report by our said court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said county Treasurer since his last report to this court, and for and during the time covered by his present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said Treasurer's hands on the said 16th day of May, A. D. 1907, and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of said County Treasurer in accordance with said order as required by Article 867, Chapter 1, Title XXV, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, as amended by an act of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of Texas; at its regular session, approved March 20, 1897.

And we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully inspected and counted all the actual cash and assets in the hands of the said Treasurer belonging to Terry county at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this the 16th day of May A. D. 1907, and find the same to be as follows, to wit:

JURY FUND

Balance on hand as shown by Treasurer's Report on the 1st day of February 1907	Dr.	Cr.
	\$51.59	

To amount received since said (Continued on next page.)

**Plainview Lumber Company**  
 have in stock  
 Shingles, and building material in abundance,  
 Lime, Cement, Brick, Paints, Oils, Glass, Etc.  
 southwest corner square Plainview Texas

**GOMEZ LUMBER COMPANY**  
 Full line of lumber and building material kept on hand.  
 Railroad prices; freight added. Let us figure your bills.  
 Gomez, Texas



**Terry County Herald**  
NEILL BROTHERS,  
Editors and Publishers.  
Brownfield, Terry County, Texas

**Advertising Rates:**

Display advertisements, per inch, per month, \$1.00  
Professional Cards, per month, 1.00  
Local Readers, per line, 10  
Where no time contract is made all notices and advertisements will be run until ordered out.

**Subscription Price:**

One Year, : One Dollar.  
Six Months, : Fifty Cents.

Entered at the Post-Office of Brownfield, Texas, as second-class mail matter, according to the Act of Congress of March 3, 1879.

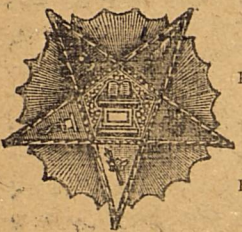
**The Herald's Directory.**

**Secret Societies**



Officers of  
BROWNFIELD LODGE A. F. & A. M.,  
No. 933.

D. ROBINSON, Worshipful Master  
BEN BROUGHTON, Senior Warden  
W. R. SPENCER, Junior Warden  
M. C. ADAMS, Secretary  
M. V. BROWNFIELD, Treasurer  
GEORGE E. TIERMAN, Tyler  
W. J. A. PARKER, Senior Deacon  
FRED WOFFORD, Junior Deacon  
Lodge meets Saturday before the full moon in each month at 4 o'clock p.m.



WADE CHAPTER  
Of the  
Order of  
EASTERN STAR  
No. 317  
Meets at the  
MASONIC HALL,  
— in —  
Brownfield, Texas,  
on Saturday  
before the  
full moon of each month at 1:30 o'clock p. m.

Mrs. D. Robinson, W. M.  
W. R. Spencer, W. P.  
Mrs. C. M. Spencer, A. M.  
J. A. Foreman, Secretary.  
E. Wolforth, Treasurer.



**Brownfield Camp No. 1989.**  
**W. O. W.**  
Meets the first Saturday night after the full moon in each month.

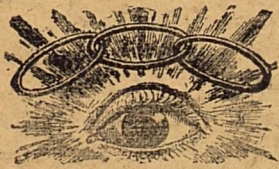
W. R. Spencer, C. C.

A. D. Brownfield, Clerk.

**Brownfield Grove,**  
No. 462.

Woodmen Circle.

MRS. ALHEDA L. DIAL, - - - - - Guardian.  
D. BROWNFIELD, - - - - - Clerk.  
Meets on the first and third Wednesdays in each month at 7:30 p. m. in T. O. F. Hall



**Brownfield Lodge,**  
**I. O. O. F.,**  
No. 530.

G. E. LOCKHART, Noble Grand.  
PERCY SPENCER, Vice Grand.  
A. D. BROWNFIELD, Treasurer.  
GEO. W. NEILL, Secretary.  
Lodge meets every Friday night, at 8 o'clock d. m. in the Lodge Room in the town of Brownfield.

**Religious**

**BAPTIST.**

Bro. Williams 1st Sunday at Brownfield.  
Bro. Miller 4th Sunday, Gomez  
Bro. Estes . . . . . Gomez  
Bro. Fouts 1st Sunday, Arnett  
Bro. Fouts 2nd Sunday, Elliot  
Bro. Fouts 3rd Sunday Sligo  
Bro. Fouts 4th Sunday, Aldie  
**METHODIST.**  
Bro. Cash 1st Sunday Gomez.  
Bro. Cash 2nd Sunday Meadow  
Bro. Cash 3rd Sunday Gomez  
Bro. Cash 4th Sunday Brownfield.  
Bro. Lovelady 2nd Sunday at Brownfield.

Bro. Groves 3rd Sunday at Brownfield.  
Sunday School at 10, A. M. at Brownfield and Gomez.  
Singing every Friday night at Gomez and every Sunday evening Brownfield.

Application for charge of Venue of Waters Pierce Oil Case at Austin was denied, and the Case will go to trial soon.

An Arkansas man passed thru last week, he didn't like the country much because they are not used to going to Heaven before death and couldn't understand it.

We would like to hear of a picnic somewhere close real soon. They are nice things to gather the people together, meet your neighbors and encourage each other to smile. Let someone start it and we will sure attend.

We thought we had the most complicated and promiscuous editor of any paper around, he is an Abstracter, County Judge, Lawyer and Land agent, but the Dawson county news come to us edited by a Ginner, Merchant, Shopman, Poet, Justice Peace, prominent citizen and —continued next week.

Some newspaper has started a boom for Judge Gray of Delaware for Democratic President. Such booms don't take well with the people. We tried one of them "Judges" once, we had never heard of before, and havn't heard of him since, and for another reason, Bryan isn't out of the way yet. He's already boomed and don't need any daily paper advertising either, get him out of the way, and then the people will consider some one else, but we don't want any more of them eastern "Judges".

San Francisco's rich boss plead guilty and will go to the Pen, H. Clay Pierce is under indictment, in the prime of his life. Everywhere rich men are having to answer the law for their big doings. Russell the big land man on the north plains is having trouble over his deals, verify the way of the getting rich man is hard and lawsuits, and many prisons border on his path: after all it is much better to be honest, do small things, get small pay and be free and unsuspected.

The Ft. Worth Record has installed \$60,000 worth of new machinery; its presses now can run 10 to 16 page papers at a rate of 25,000 per hour.

E. F. Yoakum the great Texas R R man is in the State and talks encouraging of R R building in the State. We hope he will put a road in his name-sake County just west of us.

Editor's Yearly Invoice,  
An Indiana editor, who has taken time, despite his heavy duties as a "moulder of public opinion," to keep track of his material and mental progress during the year, offers the following summary of gains and losses:  
been broke 300 times.  
Had money 65.  
Praised public 9  
Told the truth 1  
Told lies 1728  
Missed prayer meeting 52  
been roasted 431.  
Roasted others 52  
Washed office towel 3.  
Missed meals 0.  
Taken for a preacher 11.  
Taken for a capitalist 0.  
Found money 0.  
Taken bath 6.  
Delinquents who paid 27  
Did not pay 236  
Pain of conscience 0  
Got whipped 0  
Whipped others 8  
Cash on hand beginning \$1.47  
Cash on hand ending, 23 cents.

The grain brokers of Chicago are plunging in the wheat market and run wheat pass the dollar market, and are doing some wall street stunts. It is now claimed the world cannot this year raise the wheat that it needs to consume.

Labor Commissioner Smith has made an investigation and reports that the oil industry of America is controlled by less than 12 men.

Gen. Kuroki of Japan in New York last week visited the tomb of Gen Grant, and bowing low placed a wreath of flowers there on.

Lumber Yard for Brownfield.

One of the strong lumber firms of Big Springs in connection with local parties announce that they will open a lumber yard here at once. Five carloads of lumber and building material have been ordered and five wagons are on the road already, and we are informed lumber will be delivered here next week. This is another great convenience added.

**Higginbotham-Harris & Co.**  
**LUMBER**

WIND-MILLS PIPING HARDWARE SASH DOOR  
BRICK LIME CEMENT and EVERYTHING IN  
**BUILDING MATERIAL**

RED FENCE-PICKETS, CYPRESS STAYS, CEDAR POSTS AND CORRIGATED IRON

We can now fill your house bills, no matter how large. Now is the time to buy your lumber for in our judgment it will never be any cheaper. We can make it to your interest to go to our yard at Stanton for your building material of all descriptions.

**Higginbotham-Harris & Co.**  
HEADQUARTERS FOR LUMBER  
Stanton Texas

WE NEVER SLEEP

**HILL & KENDALL**  
Dealers in

Confectionery, Soft-drinks, Cigars, Tobaccos, Smokers' articles, Canned and Lunch goods, books, Stationary, Wall paper, pocket and Kitchen Cutlery, Glassware, Jewelry, and Novelties.

**NEW GOODS**

**LOWEST PRICES**

First door east of Hill Hotel

Brownfield, - - - - - Texas.

**PLAINVIEW MERCANTILE COMPANY**

The oldest established business house on the Plains

We make it pay customers to come from adjoining counties to trade with us.

Our line of dress goods, trimmings, millinery and everything in ladies wear is new and up-to-date. We are the gents furnishers in Stetson hats, and other good brands. Schloss Bros clothing, made in Baltimore and New York, new in style and perfect in material and workmanship. We are the Gents furnishers. we handle Hamilton-Brown shoes, Oxfords, and all foot wear. Agents for Carhart overalls.  
Our motto: "Keep the quality up; the prices down"

We are giving premiums with all goods bought of us, but we first give full value for your money. Everything that is kept in a first class dry goods store we have. We have a \$30,000 stock in our line.

Plainview, . . . . . Texas

**T. S. JACKSON**

**Meadows Pioneer Store.**

EVERYTHING THE FARMER

AND STOCKMAN NEEDS

Cane seed for sale at \$1.25 per bushel

A General line of Merchandise, prices right.

Meadow

A petition is received asking for a new School District in N. F. Co. of Yokum county north of north mills, and a part of this County. This is the third district asked for this term of Court, and shows how our country is settling up, besides the scholastic census of the old district are increased.

shoe Make Cane seed for sale at Brownfield Mercantile Company, Adams Holgate Company, and at my ranch.

W. H. Gist.

The Fun of the Branding pen will soon be open.

LOVE'S YOUNG DREAM.

Monday morning as the sun opened one of the prettiest days we have seen in the west, a young couple drove a jaded horse into town, and after breakfast proceeded to the Court House and procured wedding papers, went to Gomez where Rev. Estes relieved their throbbing hearts, and ended an all night drive and they returned home happy with the romantic goal of a long and tiresome journey. Quite a crowd of anxious people greeted them here. All the world loves a lover.

NEW STORE

J. H. Kemble of East Texas, was in town Monday and rented the Tom Holley Store House on North side of Square, and will move a stock of General Merchandise up at once. Mr. Holley will add 24 feet addition to his Store; We are glad to have Mr. Kemble locate with us.

Death at Gomez.

Last Monday the Sheriff was called by phone to Gomez, Justice Lockhart held a court of inquest, and the coroners verdict returned "that death resulted from amputation of the ears and tail," and that the deceased was a cat; whereupon some mischievous boys were brought up to answer the indictment charging that they "did on or about Sunday May 19 '07, knowingly and completely sever one certain cat from his ears and tail, against the peace and dignity of the cat."

Foreman.

Our Sheriff diligently labored but failed to reconcile said cat, but relieved two boys with a fine and reported that all was now peaceable.

The cat had been placed in the new church organ and we learn stained it with blood considerably.



# Supplement to the Terry County Herald

## CONSTITUTIONAL

## AMENDMENTS

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution fixing the Salary of members of the Legislature.

AN ACT to amend Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the compensation of members of the Legislature.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. That Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended so as to hereafter read as follows:

SECTION 24. The members of the Legislature shall receive from the Public Treasury such compensation for their services as may from time to time be provided by law, not to exceed one thousand dollars for each year in which a biennial session of the Legislature is held under the provisions of this Constitution, and five dollars for each day of any Special Session held during the subsequent year, and in addition thereto, they shall receive mileage in going to and returning from the State Capitol, not to exceed three cents per mile; the distance to be computed by the nearest railroad route, and the Comptroller shall prepare and preserve a table of distances for each county seat now or hereafter to be established, and by such table the mileage of each member shall be paid no member shall be entitled to mileage for any extra session that may be called within one day after the adjournment of a Regular or Called Session.

Sec. 2. The foregoing Constitutional Amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday in August, 1907, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment, shall have written or printed on their ballots, the words, "Against the amendment to Section 24 of Article III of the Constitution, relating to the salary of the members of the Legislature."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have the same published as required by the Constitution and laws of the State, and the sum of \$1000 or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of the general revenue of the State not otherwise appropriated to pay the expenses of such publication and election.

[A true copy.]

L. T. Dashiell, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing the Establishment of a State printing Plant.

JOINT RESOLUTIONS authorizing the submission to a vote of the people of the State of Texas of a proposed amendment of Section 21, Article XVI, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to printing, publishing, stationery, paper and fuel, and making an appropriation therefor.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas: SECTION 1. That Section 21, Article XVI of the Constitution of the State of Texas be

amended, as to hereafter read as follows.

Section 21. All printing and publishing, and all stationery, paper and fuel for various departments, and for all offices, whether created by this Constitution or by law, shall be done and supplied as may be provided by law, and for the accomplishment of these objects and purposes the Legislature may provide and establish all requisite means and agencies, invested with such powers as may be deemed adequate and advisable.

Sec. 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the State at an election to be held throughout the State on the first Tuesday in August, A. D. 1907, at which election all voters favoring said proposed amendment shall write or have printed on their ballots the words "For the amendment to Section 21 of Article XVI of the Constitution, relating to stationery, printing, paper and fuel," and all those opposed shall write or have printed on their ballots the words "Against the amendment to Section 21 of Article XVI of the Constitution, relating to stationery, printing, paper and fuel."

Sec. 3. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for said election and to have same published as required by the Constitution and existing laws of the State.

Sec. 4. That the sum of two thousand (\$2000) dollars, or so much thereof as may be necessary is here by appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publication and election.

[A true copy.]

L. T. Dashiell, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Creating the Office of Commissioner of Agriculture.

JOINT RESOLUTION proposing an amendment to Article four (4) of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 27, providing for a Department of Agriculture, with a bureau of labor.

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Article four (4) of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be amended by adding thereto Section 27, when a majority of the qualified electors for members of the Legislature of Texas at an election for that purpose shall vote in favor of the amendment, shall read as follows:

Section 27. The Legislature shall provide for office of Commissioner of Agriculture, who shall be either elected by the qualified voters of the State, or appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of two-thirds of the Senate, as the Legislature may provide; whose term of office, duties and salary shall be prescribed by law; in which department there shall be established by the Legislature a bureau of labor, when required by the public interest.

SEC. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue and have published the necessary proclamation for the submission of this resolution to the qualified voters for members of the Legislature of Texas, as an amendment to the Constitution of Texas to be voted upon on the first Tuesday in August, 1907. All persons favoring said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots as follows: "For the amendment to the Constitution

providing for a Department of

Agriculture and a Bureau of Labor." And those opposed to said amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots, as follows

"Against the amendment to the Constitution, providing for a Department of Agriculture and a Bureau of Labor." And the sum of (\$2000) two thousand dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby appropriated out of any funds in the Treasury of the State of Texas, not otherwise appropriated, to pay the expenses of such publications, proclamation and election.

[A true copy.]

L. T. Dashiell, Secretary of State

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution providing for the Establishment of a Home for Confederate Widows.

JOINT RESOLUTION to amend Sec. 51, Art 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, as amended in 1903, so as to authorize the grant of aid in the establishment and maintenance of a home for the disabled and dependent wives and widows of Confederate soldiers and sailors and such women as aided the Confederacy, and making an appropriation.

Section 1. Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That Section 51 of Art. 3 of the Constitution of the State of Texas as amended in 1903, be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Article 3. Section 51. The Legislature shall have no power to make any grant or authorize the making of any grant of public money to any individual, associations or individuals municipal or their corporations whatsoever; provided, however, the Legislature may grant aid to indigent and disabled Confederate soldiers and sailors who came to Texas prior to January 1, 1880, and who are either over sixty years of age or whose disability is the

proximate result of actual service in the Confederate army for a period of at least three months, their widows in indigent circumstances who have never been married and who have been bona fide residents of the State of Texas since March 1, 1880, and who were married to such soldiers anterior to March 1, 1880; provided said aid shall not exceed eight dollars per month, and provided further, that no appropriations shall ever be made for the purpose hereinbefore specified in excess of five hundred thousand dollars for any one year. And also grant aid to the establishment and maintenance of a home for said soldiers and sailors, their wives and widows and women who aided in the Confederacy, under such regulations limitation as may be provided by law; provided the grant to aid said home shall not exceed one hundred and fifty thousand dollars for any one year, and no inmate of said homes shall be entitled to any other aid from the State, the Legislature may provide for husband and wife to remain together in the home; and provided further, that the provisions of this section shall not be construed to prevent the grant of aid in case of public calamity.

Sec. 2. The Governor of the State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas on the first Tuesday in August, 1907. The sum of \$5000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

[A true copy.] L. T. Dashiell, Secretary of State.

divisions of this resolution.

[A true copy.]

L. T. Dashiell, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Authorizing the Levy of a Road Tax.

JOINT RESOLUTION amending Sec. 9 of Article 8. of the Constitution of the State of Texas, by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 9a, increasing the amount of tax that may be voted for the purpose of improving public roads and to allow counties as political subdivisions of counties by a majority vote of the qualified property tax paying voters of the county, or subdivision thereof voting at all elections, to be held for that purpose, to adopt same

Be it Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas;

SECTION 1. That section 9 of Article 8 of the constitution of the State of Texas be amended by adding thereto Section 9a, which shall read as follows:

SECTION 9a. A majority of the property tax paying voters in any county or one or more political subdivision thereof, in this State, voting at an election held for that purpose may vote a tax for road and bridge purposes not to exceed 30 cents on the \$100 valuation of property subject to taxation in such county or political subdivision of such county or may issue bonds not to exceed 20 per cent of the assessed value of the real property in such district, for such road and bridge purposes, provided that such tax, or proceeds of such bonds, shall be expended in the territory in which it is voted, and no other and this provision of the constitution shall be self-enacting without the necessity of further legislation

SEC. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby directed to issue the necessary proclamation submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of Texas at the next general election held in this State, or in case any previous election shall be had in the State for other purposes, then this proposed amendment shall be submitted to the qualified tax paying voters. And the sum of \$2000, or so much thereof as shall be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of the treasury of the State of Texas for the purpose of submitting this proposition to a vote of the people of the State of Texas.

[A true copy.]

L. T. Dashiell, Secretary of State.

Proposed Amendment to the State Constitution Providing for the Creation of Improvement Districts in Certain Cities.

JOINT RESOLUTION amending Section 9, of Article 8, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing for the creation of improvement districts in cities of more than five thousand inhabitants, and charging the cost of certain improvements made there in against the abutting property.

SECTION 1. Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas; that Section 9 of Article 8 of the Constitution of the State of Texas, be so amended as to hereafter read as follows,

SEC. 9. The State tax on property, exclusive of the tax necessary to pay the public debt, and of the taxes provided for the benefit of public free schools, shall never exceed thirty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation and no county, city or town shall levy more than twenty-five cents for city or county purposes, and not exceeding fifteen cents for

roads and bridges, and not exceeding fifteen cents to pay jurors, on the hundred dollars valuation, except for payment of debts incurred prior to the adoption of the amendment September 25, A. D. 1883, and for the erection of public buildings, streets, sewers, water works and other permanent improvements, not to exceed twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars valuation, in any one year, and except as is in this Constitution otherwise provided; and the Legislature may also authorize an additional annual ad valorem tax to be levied and collected for the further maintenance of the public roads; provided, that a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote such tax, not to exceed fifteen cents on the one hundred dollars valuation, of the property subject to taxation in such county. And the Legislature may pass local laws for the maintenance of the public roads and highways, without the local notice required for special or local laws.

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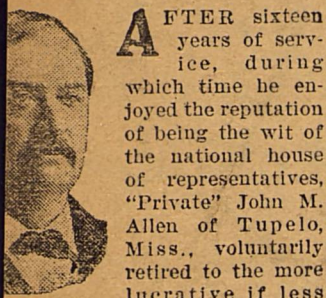
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**and Humor**

**"PRIVATE" JOHN ALLEN.**



AFTER sixteen years of service, during which time he enjoyed the reputation of being the wit of the national house of representatives, "Private" John M. Allen of Tupelo, Miss., voluntarily retired to the more lucrative if less famous vocation of the law. The wit of his stories and humor still lives in the national capital, where he has been more popular. The story of the way Allen got his "Private" is still worth telling. The incident happened over two years ago. It was when he was in for congress. His opponent, General Tucker, and the two argued together. The general at first told the crowd how he had their town during the war and particularly eloquent in describing sleeping in a tent the night before the battle.

John M. Allen, who was not within a hundred feet of that battle, rejoined in his usual manner: "General Tucker told you about sleeping in a tent that night before the battle. I know all about it, for I was in that tent all night long in the rain and wet on picket. And now I just want to say to all of you who were general in the war and slept at nights in guarded tents, like General Tucker, vote for him. But all you fellows who guarded the general's tent in the rain and cold, like me, you vote for Private Allen." His speech gained Allen his sobriety and his election at one and the same time.

One of Mr. Allen's most famous speeches in congress was delivered in the summer of 1896, when Speaker and Major McKinley were both candidates for the Republican presidential nomination and as a consequence were saying little on public occasions.

He began by stating that there had been considerable comment in the papers respecting the somewhat unusual silence which had characterized him in this session. "But, Mr. Speaker," he continued, "there has been little in this session of congress to inspire a Christian man to be loud. I am not the only one who has been silent in these days. There are many of us leaders who are not saying much lately."

Allen said the Republicans were actually going to select for their candidate a man who had the qualities for a colonel of a cavalry regiment—selected animals for his troops, must turn quick and go fast."

On a later occasion Allen had difficulty in securing recognition. When he got the floor, he said in a deeply earnest tone: "There is an evident disposition on the part of somebody to suppress my passionate oratory. I wish to speak and the house is desired by me for a purpose, and I have no desire to be fervid and persuasive eloquence to persuade this house into the commission of any unconstitutional measure."

When showing one of his Mississippi constituents about the house, the delighted countryman asked: "Who is the leader of this house?" "Oh," said Allen modestly, "you will find out when they call the roll. The first man on the list is the leader of the house. They are just now getting ready for a call." The Mississippi pricked up his ears and listened. A moment later the clerk bawled out at the head of the list: "John M. Allen!"

**Wit and Humor**

**JOHN SHARP WILLIAMS.**



THE Democratic leader of the house is one of the best story tellers at the national capital. He also has a rich vein of humor, but is rather sparing of its use in his speeches. One of the most famous examples of his irony was a satirical tribute to Admiral Crowinshield during the Sampson-Schley inquiry. This delicious take-off was done in verse—Williams occasionally drops into poetry—and wound up by declaring that—

Great Crowinshield's the bravest tar That always stayed ashore.

At the time Mr. Williams was mentioned as a presidential candidate he had considerable dry fun with the reporters over the matter. To one newspaper man he said: "My boom is making tremendous strides. My private secretary is unreservedly for me, and I have hopes of securing the support of Charley Edwards, the clerk of the minority room."

To a somewhat young and callow reporter John Sharp, with exceeding gravity, said he had quite some hopes of getting the nomination. Reports from Mississippi were especially encouraging.

"Toomsaba, Ofanoma, Noxopater, Nanachehaw, Toccopola, Tabbville and Grubbs Springs. I am told," he said, "are already for me, while I have every reason to believe that I shall have the undivided support of such places as Nittayuma, Wahalak, Bolatasha, Hushpukena, Ittabena, Pelahatchie, Mityayuma, Skutch, Cingupin, Pawtickfaw, Octoe, Leggo, Yellow Rabbit, Chunkey Station, Hambone, Devovente and Whynot."

Upon being asked to spell the names he did so with great gravity.

On a later occasion, when the newspaper men asked him concerning his candidacy, he said that Mrs. Williams had objected that with her sick headaches she never could stand the White House, so he would have to give up the presidency.

John Sharp once ran afoul of Tom Reed. This is the way he tells the story himself:

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John Sharp was once denouncing the committee on rules, popularly known as the house machine.

"The gentleman himself is a member of the committee on rules," put in a member.

"Yes," drawled Williams, "nominally."

The house recognized the thrust with a roar, but the other man persisted.

"You attend the meetings of that committee," he said.

"I am invited to the seances," returned Williams, "but I am never consulted about the spiritualistic appearances."

When Williams first ran for congress his opponent was a famous coon hunter and gained much support by the fact. Williams had never hunted coons, but saw that something had to be done. Buying a bunch of roman candles, he went out with the boys, fired the candles among the branches till he scared the coons out of the trees, made a record hunt and won the election.

**Pliny's Jewel Stories.**

Pliny declares that a diamond was so hard that if placed on an anvil and struck with a sledge hammer it would give back a blow of such force as to shiver both anvil and hammer to pieces. Another of his wonderful tales states that "on the shore of the island of Cyprus there was a stone lion having eyes formed of emeralds, which shone so brightly that all the fishes were ingloriously frightened away. The fishermen accordingly pulled the emeralds out and put in glass eyes instead whereupon the wise fishes became bolder and returned to their accustomed nets."

**A Mean Insinuation.**

"Very gratifying!" said a young and conceited novelist. "A gentleman writes me that he took a copy of my last work to read during a railway journey, and as a result suddenly discovered he had gone twenty miles beyond his destination."

"Dear me," commented the young author's friend; "sleeping in trains is a bad habit!"

**How It Was Done.**

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"You surprise me," exclaimed the other. "I thought the horse he rode wasn't much of a jumper."

"Oh, the horse didn't take the hedge! Mr. Nuritch did it alone!"—Philade'phia Press.

**Help in Colonial Days.**

For help the colonial woman had to choose between an Indian who might scalp her if the mood or fancy so dictated, "blackamoors" not yet outgrown African savagery, the town poor sold to the highest bidder, bound convicts transported for crime or ignorant creatures who had been beguiled to board ships that carried them off to virtual slavery and "free willers" discontented under and impatient for the end of the compact which bound them. Occasionally she had a chance to engage a young woman who had fled from England or Holland to find a better home, but she never failed to lose her in a marriage.—Good

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