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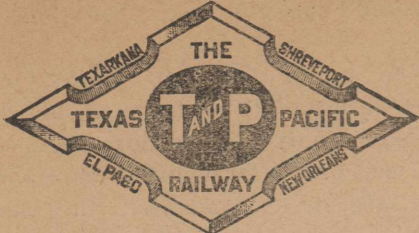
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FROM HIGHLAND TO LOWLAND.

The Editor Junkets Over Various Portions of Eastern Texas and Views and Reviews Things in His Own Way.

ON THE WAY TO GALVESTON.

I went from Cooper, Delta County, to Paris, Lamar County, on Saturday evening over the Texas Midland passenger. I spent the night with some relatives. On Sunday I went to Fort Worth over the Texas & Pacific passenger. I passed thru Honey Grove, Bonham, Sherman, Whitesboro, and Denton. Each of these are growing towns and are noted for educational enterprise. The farther towards Fort Worth I traveled the more unfavorable were the crop prospects.

At Fort Worth I spent some time eating supper, and swapping lies with first one and another, and waiting for the arrival of a belated south bound Santa Fe passenger. I overheard some men discussing the attitude of Childress towards the negro. Childress will not permit negroes to reside in her limits and to compete with white labor. The men I heard talking asserted that it did not seem possible for such to be the case, inasmuch as there were a number of good solid Republicans at that place. I saw my opportunity to put in a word, and I did it. I informed the men that the best friend the negro has is the Southern Democrat, the man who understands best the negro and his disposition and habits; that the Northern Republican has great sympathy for the negro, but residing in the land of snows, but has but little use for the negro when he understands the true status of the negro; that the white man who would attempt to equalize himself with the negro would turn out to be the negro's most stubborn enemy. The men acquiesced in my view of the matter.

I went that night to Milano on the Santa Fe and the next morning to Austin on the International & Great Northern. I spent about twelve hours in Austin. In Austin there are many places of interest, but my time would only permit me to visit the State Capitol building and the State University building and grounds. In some future number of THE HESPERIAN I may tell of my visit to Austin and some of my impressions formed therefrom.

I left Austin Monday night at about 11 o'clock for Galveston over the International & Great Northern and the Santa Fe. I know of little that happened, as I slept most of the time traveling to Galveston. Galveston was reached at about 10 o'clock in the morning.

In Central Texas Counties I saw the effects of the drouth that had prevailed. In many places the corn crop was an entire failure. Good rains had fallen in that section of the State at about the time they had visited the Plains Country, and the cotton crop was promising. I was impressed with the fact that when the Plains country fails to have enough rain other sections of the farming belt of Texas fail as well.

AT GALVESTON.

For the past score of years I have had a strong desire to visit and view the Island City of Texas. That aspiration was never realized until the morning of July 15. When a small boy at the age of three I remember standing on the wharf at Rock Port and viewing the Gulf of Mexico. I was not old enough to understand my surroundings and something like evil forebodings arose in my being and I was not long in expressing to my parents a desire to go elsewhere. The approach of a steamer indicated to me certain disaster and destruction. I could only see things from the standpoint of a child and I

thought as a child, I did not know of the existence of oceans or of the sphericity of the earth. I could see ships sail out of sight and I presumed that the jumping off place was in the horizon. Many and varied are the views and conclusions of an observant boy of tender years.

Galveston is a city of great commercial importance to Texas. It is the only important deep water port in the State. She has suffered much from the destructive storm of nearly two years ago, but has made marked progress in being rebuilt. The damage sustained by the Island City from the storm can not be estimated in dollars.

The erection of a large and durable sea-wall is more than a mere dream on the part of Galvestonians. It can be done and it will be done. It is estimated that the cost of the wall and the necessary filling in will amount to about \$2,750,000, but it will doubtless reach \$5,000,000 or a larger sum. But it is indispensable to the commerce of Texas as well as to the protection of life and property of Galveston.

I spent some time upon my arrival seeking a lodging place, and was finally accommodated at a nice place near the Auditorium where the State Democratic Convention was held. Lodging was scarce and the places charged big prices. I made their headquarters at the Tremont Hotel and all the smart fry politicians like myself spent some of the time at the Tremont, but lodged and dined at places less luxurious and expensive.

FIRST DAY OF CONVENTION.

Tuesday, the first day of the Convention, was an unusually still day for the Island City. It was one of those rare days in Galveston when there is no sea breeze. It was a day calculated to cause a person of even a "lean and hungry look" to perspire immoderately. It was one that took the starch out of collars, cuffs, and staked and-ripped shirts, and increased the patronage of the laundries.

The convention was not a truly representative body as has been the case hitherto when vital issues were at stake. Many of the counties were represented by proxy and some were not represented at all. Few counties adjacent to Floyd County were represented by delegates or by proxies. Clyde P. Kendall of Motley County was the only one with myself in attendance from the Counties removed from the Denver Road.

The Convention Hall was arranged in Senatorial Districts, and the Counties of the several Senatorial Districts were designated by placards. I looked upon the chair designated for Floyd County as a holy place. The words "Floyd County" appealed to my pride. She is great geographically, great politically, and great in resources.

The proceedings of the first day were merely formal and preliminary. The several committees were appointed and set to work. It was generally understood that there would be no contests over nominations for State officers and that there would be no exciting contests over the adoption of the platform, but every one present could clearly see that the contest for Chairman of the Executive Committee between the supporters of Cockrell and those of Wells would be the most determined. The "Congressional trust," as ex-Governor Hogg dubbed it, were at Galveston pulling the wires for Wells.

In the afternoon a short session

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We have a lot of Fence and Gate Posts at customary prices.

ROBBINS & GAMBLE, Floydada.

was held for the purpose of passing resolutions and otherwise consuming time.

The venerable John H. Reagan was the recipient of resolutions commending his public career. He spoke feelingly of the compliments paid him. He referred to his fidelity to the principles of Democracy and expressed his desire for the triumph of Democracy as the savior of the National Government. He deplored the attitude now in vogue to ignore the principles of Democracy and to carry out schemes that the people might desire. He referred to the conflict between labor and capital.

He made mention of the fact that the thousands of strikers in Pennsylvania were now in a struggle for their rights and against the monopoly of capital, but that when the time comes for voting they would vote with the party that is enslaving them. Among his concluding remarks he said: "I do not like to be an evil prophet, but I contemplate this question with fear." Judge Reagan has figured conspicuously in the most stormy periods of the country's history, and he has never been accused of playing the role of a "calamity howler." What he says with reference to present conditions is not overdrawn in any particular. It is a startling fact, not a fancy. The times are growing more serious than ever before. There is too great a lack of vigilance on the part of the masses—those who are most capable of taking an unbiased view of the situation. The people hold themselves in reserve and fail to act when the opportunity presents itself whilst the petty politicians and financial magnates manipulate affairs.

Ex-Governor Frank R. Lubbock was in attendance and was tendered a sort of ovation by the assembly. Governor Lubbock is fast growing feeble. He is small of physique, but has been large of intellect. Like Judge Reagan, he can not survive many years longer.

Judge Reagan and Governor Lubbock have resided in Texas for about three score years and have served in office nearly as long. During their days of activity they have endured much from the shafts of calumny and malevolence; but now since they voluntarily retire from private life the politicians are glad to honor them. Whilst on this point, it is sad to recall the shameful manner in which Judge Reagan was treated by the State Democratic Convention eight years ago at Dallas, because of his steadfast advocacy of bimetalism. The politicians are glad to worship a statesman when he retires from public life, but when he aspires to public trusts of honor or of emolument he becomes the victim of vituperation and misrepresentation.

THE SECOND DAY.

The second day of the Convention was at times interesting and exciting. An unusual program was carried out. The Committee on Platform and Resolutions announced that it would be unable to report before the afternoon, and in order to expedite business it was decided to transact the other business of the convention first and to take up the Platform Committee's report in the afternoon.

This was not a good precedent, for the reason that the several candidates nominated accepted or rather received the honor without knowing the Party's platform and without formally accepting the platform as their guide. In other words, the candidates are not bound by the provisions of the platform if their convictions are contrary to the platform demands. It is presumed that they endorse the platform and that they will studiously live up to its demands, but such presumption is unsafe when vital issues are involved. It is the duty of the candidates for public trusts of honor or of emolument to go before the people and state their position on the issues. As long as men are candidates for office they are free—and, by the way, it is their duty—to assert their platforms of principles; but when they are nominated and are elected by the people they cease to be principals and become agents for the people, "who are and of right ought to be" the principals. If an officer can not endorse the people's mandates he should resign and give way to some aspirant who can do so without mental reservation. A republican form of government signifies that the officers or representatives are to reflect the people's wishes in all transaction of the government. Officers who refuse to carry out the instructions of their constituents should be branded with the stigma of disgrace. A candidate for a public trust should be much more than a mere place-seeker. Popular elections have something more holy in their object than spoils.

Judge Reagan put S. W. T. Lanham in nomination in a few brief but pointed remarks, and only one speech seconding the nomination was made. There being no other candidate for Governor Lanham's nomination was unanimous. Mr. Lanham was presented to the convention and he was received with the usual demonstrations of applause. He is a splendid speaker. His address was highly enjoyed by the multitude and it reads well in print. It was delivered with much feeling, but it deals wholly in glittering generalities and contains nothing definite or specific, so to speak. It is presumed that he will render the people "an eminently wise and patriotic" administration.

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I am Making a Special Drive on My Stock of

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Are simple enough. First, I buy my goods where I can get them at the lowest dealers' prices; second, I mark my goods down so as to make a small but legitimate profit; third, I sell rapidly and keep new stocks of goods constantly coming in.

JUST RECEIVED!

My stock of Spring and Summer Goods are here and I want you to call and inspect them.

Of all the good things I have in it will pay you to see my extra fine shoes, worth \$3.50 marked down to only \$3.00. Ladies' and gents' slippers for Sunday wear at the lowest prices. Nice dress goods—Lawns, Prints, Ginghams, and fine patterns. Don't fail to see my Misses' and Children's Hose.

GEO. R. GRIGGS, -- Floydada, -- Texas.

J. K. Abraham, of near Plainview, is on the streets of Floydada today.

If you want something good in the way of a pocket knife, R. C. Scott can please you at the drug store.

The ground is thoroely soaked from the recent rains. A few more good rains will put water in the basins.

Grass is as green as green can be and crops of all sorts are growing so fast that the eye can almost see them growing.

G. R. Griggs never fails to undersell on all lines of his dry goods and notions departments. Reason: Because he buys at the lowest prices.

Everything seasonable at R. C. Scott's drug store. Fresh insect powders, Paris Green, Moth Balls, Fly paper, Carbolic Acid, crude and pure.

The Floydada boys have been keeping the ground about Floydada warm playing base ball. The game played last Friday resulted in a glorious victory for the first nine.

Do not fail to try my brands of coffee and you will prefer no other. I handle the best grades in existence. I sell just as I do all other lines of goods—down as cheap as possible.—G. R. Griggs.

Dr. Peeples, who has been spending some time attending the bedside of his little boy at S. L. Rushing's in Fairview settlement, left this morning for his home in Lawton, Oklahoma.

Out this out and take it to R. C. Scott's drug store and get a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. The best physic. They also correct disorders of the stomach. Price 25 cents.

Tomorrow evening the Sovereigns of Woodcraft will hold forth in regular session and will confer on new timber the Protective degree with the amplified form. All who can give the pass-word or show themselves in good standing as choppers are cordially invited to be present and to participate in the work.

John B. Baker, Precinct No. 4's commissioner, has bought the Fish hotel building, which Mr. Baker and family will occupy for the purpose of patronizing the public school at Floydada. Mr. Baker will also keep some boarding pupils of the school. Floydada is ever glad to welcome such a family as Mr. Baker's in her midst.

NOTICE.

Blanco Canyon will be fenced within ten days from date, cutting off all outside stock from watering at said stream. All parties having stock running at large in this portion of the country are hereby warned to see after same.—J. G. Norris, A. Robinson, J. T. Pitts, W. A. J. Jones, Dr. Wade.

Your trade is needed, because we have the goods. We can supply your wants because we have the goods. We have the goods because we are in business and mean business. We invite inspection; we invite comparison. We can please you because we have prepared to do so. A meritorious business never fails to win, hence we win the trade.—Snodgrass & Nelson.

Simmons' Stock powders at R. C. Scott's

All kinds of cold drinks at the O. K. parlor shop and ice cream till you can't chin it. Ol also carries a nice line of candies and cigars.

LOST—A small pearl handle pen-knife with one blade in each end. Finder will be rewarded 25 cents by returning same to this office, or to G. C. Pruitt.

FOR SALE—I have 320 acres of patented land two miles west of Floydada, which I will sell at \$3.50 per acre. Apply to or address H. C. CRUE, Floydada, Texas.

Swapping Lies

Is practiced, but don't swap off Hunt's Lightning Oil for a worthless article. Ask your druggist or merchant for a free sample bottle.

G. R. Griggs received some new goods this week. He invites you to call and inspect his stock. He makes it a point to advertise his business every time he has an article large or small.

S. A. McMannis and daughter, Miss Arvie, of Gage, Oklahoma, are here visiting. They resided at this place until the spring of last year and have many friends who are glad to see them once more.

J. C. Fortenberry handed this paper a dollar with the solemn injunction: "Keep her coming and don't let her stop, for I can't live without her." Upon being asked if his children would cry for "her" if they did not get "her" regularly he answered in the affirmative.

C. B. Thomason has, after casting about for some time prospecting in this country, bought what is known as the Clint Weddington section, two miles south of Floydada. Mr. Thomason's eyes are prophetic enough that he sees an assuring present and a bright future in this country. He and his family will make their permanent home here as soon as they can arrange their affairs in Brown county. In Mr. Thomason Brown county will lose and Floyd county will gain a good citizen.

Need More Help.

Often the over-taxed organs of digestion cry out for help by dyspepsia's pains, nausea, dizziness, headache, liver complaints, bowel disorders. Such troubles call for prompt use of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are gentle, thorough and guaranteed to cure. 25c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

The Best Liniment for Strains.

Mr. F. H. Wells, the merchant at Deer Park, Long Island, N. Y., says "I always recommend Chamberlain's Pain Balm as the best liniment for strains. Used it last winter for a severe lameness in the side, resulting from a strain, and was greatly pleased with the quick relief and cure it effected." For sale by R. C. Scott.

Heaven Help Us

In our troubles, but use Hunt's cure for itch, tetter, ringworm, itching piles and eczema. Guaranteed.

Cresylic ointment at R. C. Scott's Undertaker's goods in stock at C. Surginer's.

100 gallons of high grade house paint soon to arrive at R. C. Scott's

Remember C. Surginer carries a complete stock of undertaker's goods.

Sorghum seed for sale at customary prices at the store of S. L. Boone & Co., Lockney, Texas.

Stockmen are jubilant since the recent heavy rains. Grass is good and all kinds of stock are sleek and fat.

Just Arrived.

A fine assortment of large Mirrors and other useful articles at J. G. Ranft's Hardware Store. South side of Square.

Many Floyd county farmers report that they will make some corn since the recent rains. It has been observed before that this country can endure longer without rain than any other farming country in the world, and the observation is a true cue.

Attention is called to the Floydada-Childress stage line advertisement, which appears in this issue.

Lincoln Disinfectant, lice, vereworms, mange, house flies, lice on chickens, and a disinfectant, at R. C. Scott's drug store.

We Can't Tell A Lie

When we say there is no shaking of bottles, no licking of spoons, no wry faces when Chamberlain's Laxative Chill Tablets are used. 25c. No cure—no pay.

A large assortment of paints just put in stock at the Floydada Lumber Company. If you are thinking of painting your house, barn or fences it will pay you to inspect this company's lines.

If A Man Lie to You.

And say some other salve, ointment, lotion, oil or alleged healer is a good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve, tell him thirty years of his cures of piles, burns, boils, scalds, bruises, and other ailments. It's the best and cheapest. 25c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

Barbecue and Picnic.

This paper is requested to announce that there will be a barbecue and picnic on the Linguish Canyon two miles above the F Ranch headquarters in the north part of the county on Thursday and Friday, August 7 and 8. Plenty of barbecued beef and coffee will be furnished and visitors are requested to carry bread and nicnacs, Speaking, broncho busting, tournament riding, etc., will be features of entertainment.

Floydada has had an abundance of preaching and revivals for the past month. First, the Holiness people held a ten days meeting; second, the Methodist people held one of about the same duration; and third, the Baptist people have been conducting a meeting since last Saturday. Much interest is being manifested in the present revival. Messrs. Rattan and Britton of Motley county are conducting the services. Mr. Rattan is well known among the people here. Mr. Britton is a preacher of acknowledged ability.

If you are Expecting to buy Farming Implements, Remember that C. Surginer, the Hardware Man of Floydada, is prepared to supply you with the very best Implements made and sold.

IF YOU ARE WANTING SOMETHING TO WEAR

That Will Fit

and will fit you right, and will fit you to the best advantage—show you off to the best advantage—, you can not do better at any place—as well at many places—than you can in selecting from my splendid stock of Men's and Boys' Clothing.

I have clothing for all sizes and ages—all occupations—and have bought them so that I can undersell others, quality considered. If you want to buy it will pay you to see me. It is always a pleasure to show my goods to you.

A. C. BOWERS, Floydada, Ia.



Should you need anything in the undertaker's line call on C. Surginer. He can supply you.

Have you ever seen a sample copy of Mr. Bryan's paper, The Commoner? You can get one at the office of THE HESPERIAN.

A Tripple Hanging

Smith, Brown, and Jones hang their hopes of recovery upon Cheatham's Laxative Chill Tablets. They will be around soon shaking hands with friends. 25c. No cure—no pay.

J. A. and R. L. Beckham, relatives of Judge Duncan, are visiting and prospecting here with a view of locating. They reside in Hopkins county. They are well pleased with the appearance of this country.

"I am using a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and find them the best thing for my stomach I ever used," says T. W. Robinson, justice of the peace, Loomis, Mich. These Tablets not only correct disorders of the stomach but regulate the liver and bowels. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by R. G. Scott.

Aunt Lucindy

Always carries Hunt's Lightning Oil around with her, says it's fine for swellings, tooth-ache, colic, weak back, back-ache, cuts, burn, neuralgia, catarrh. Aunt Lucindy has sixty-nine grandchildren and ought to know what she is talking about.

Competitors may blow that they do not sell on time, and, for that reason their customers do not have to pay other people's debts. I will state that I sell as few goods on time as any man in Floyd county, and what goods I do sell on time are the same as the spot cash, for I have been in Floyd county a long time and know whom to credit and whom not to credit and I never fail to collect from all of my customers whom I accommodate for a short time: I can always collect from them without having to dun them thru the columns of the newspapers. I am anxious for you to call and price my goods. My long experience in the mercantile business is an important item for the custom to consider.—A. C. Bowers.

Next week's issue of THE HESPERIAN will contain the last of the editor's series of articles on his trip "From Highland to Lowland," and it will doubtless be refreshing to the readers to learn that no more trips of space-consuming importance, for the year 1902, will be made by the editor. Next week's article will be given in broken doses or in a variety of doses. It will tell of some of the editor's experiences and observations in Galveston, of his meditations and conversations in traveling, and of his visit and view of Austin. He met with some experiences that wonderfully enlightened him as to city customs, and he will not hesitate to present the whole account. It may, in some instances, place him in a ridiculous light, but his experiences will be splendid object lessons to those readers who have never been brought face to face with city airs and customs. It will be instructive and perhaps amusing.

I am making a special drive on my spring goods—calicos, lawns, domestics, ladies' and men's hose, shoes and summer footwear, in fact everything—at the lowest cash prices of any firm in Floydada. I sell lower than any other house in Floydada. Mark it down.—A. C. Bowers.

Value of Texas Farms.

The actual value of the farming interests of Texas are adequately set forth in a recent bulletin issued by the U. S. Census, which states the value of farm lands and farm property in Texas amounted to \$862,466,273. There were 322,190 farms in the State, covering an area of 125,807,017 acres, or about 80 per cent of the total area of the State. Of the total value of the farming interests, the farm lands themselves were reported as worth \$595,550,802; the improvements, \$100,222,811; implements and machinery, \$30,125,705; and livestock, \$240,576,055. The value of animal products for the year 1899 amounted to \$166,970,711, and of crops, \$72,552,533. The total value of farm products for 1899 exceeds that for 1889 by \$123,123,514, or 114 per cent; but a part of this gain is attributed to a more detailed enumeration in 1900 than in 1890.

The bulletin further shows the average size of Texas farms to be 357 acres, but only a little more than 15 per cent of the farm land is improved. The largest body of land in the State classed as a farm embraces 450,000 acres. Of the farm lands of the State 65,472 acres were held by negroes. The total value of the land in the State devoted to livestock is \$391,788,047, and of land devoted to cotton, the next most important agricultural interest, \$331,138,388. The average size of the live stock farm is 2115 acres and the cotton farm, 93 acres.—Literary Bureau Southern Pacific-H. & T. C. R. R.

The Fair at Quanah.

The meeting of the Northwest Texas Fair Association to be held at Quanah August 19 22 will be the best in the history of the Association. Arrangements are already under way, and a number of new and interesting features will be introduced for the entertainment of the people. A splendid racing program has been prepared, there being four races daily with liberal purses. It is expected that the "Quanah Stake Race," for which a purse of \$400 will be hung up, will bring the cracks from all over the country. It is a running race, three-fourths of a mile. There is also a free-for-all pace or trot for a purse of \$350. All the purses are good. There will also be a novelty race each day, and a balloon ascension with a parachute descent. Some of the popular features of last year's meeting, the ladies' and boys riding contests and the saddle and harness horse rings, will be retained. Liberal premiums will be given on all kinds of live stock.

It is desired to make this meeting in reality as well as in name a Northwest Texas institution, and it is hoped that all neighboring counties will take an interest. It was decided to hold the meeting earlier this year on account of it being more of an idle time than later on when fall work has begun.

Another Thru Train

TO KOOL KOLORADO!

Beginning July first, we shall have two Thru trains to Colorado each day. One will leave Fort Worth at 9:45 a. m., after the arrival of all evening connections.

For guests who wish to retire early, a sleeping-car will be ready each evening at 9 o'clock.

Both trains will be run thru to Denver. Each will carry thru coaches and sleeping-cars, and meals will be served, en route, in cafe dining cars.

The this doubles the thru train service to Colorado from this territory, there is still "Only One Road" which has any at all. We have also the only direct Colorado line; make the best time, and haul very nearly everybody who goes. And, using our line, "You Don't Have to Apologize," you know.

"The Denver Road"

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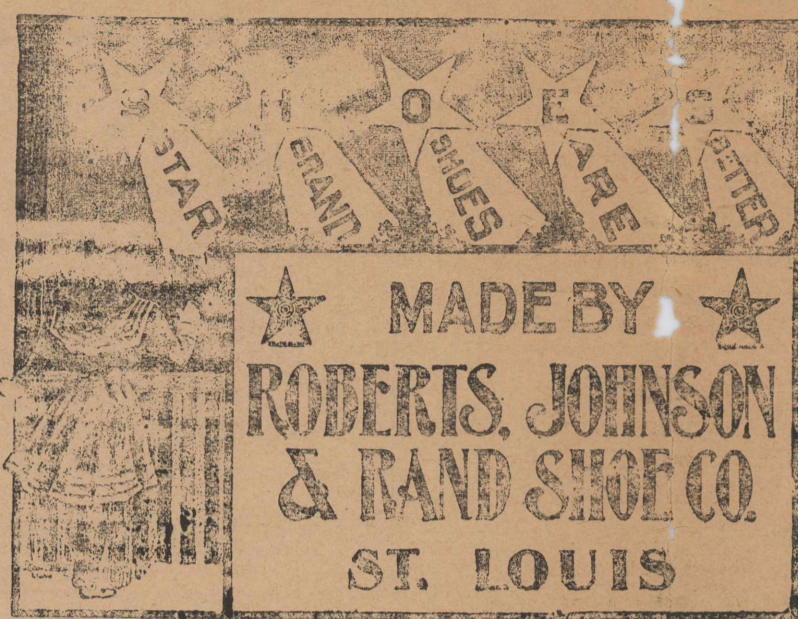
Stage leaves Childress at 5 a. m.; Floydada, 5 a. m.; arriving at Childress at 8 p. m.; Floydada, 9 p. m.; same day. Leaves Matador at 9:30 a. m. and arrives at Matador at 4 p. m.

Cary Griggs writes this paper that he will return to Floyd county about September 1 from Puerto, New Mexico, and will remain among the people of Floyd county in the interest of his candidacy for County Treasurer.

L. T. Pate bought a half section of the G. W. Darden place, three miles northeast of Floydada. Mr. Pate and family left Tuesday for their home in Parker county and will move to their Floyd county home next October. It is understood that Mr. Darden will not leave the county, but will seek a location where he will have more range.

Caesar Conquered Britain.

Malaria was conquered by Simmons' Liver Purifier (tin box). Protected from moisture, dust and insects. Clears the complexion, cures constipation, aids and corrects action of the liver.



OUR HOBBY!

We have Hobbies and we do not conceal them. We make it a point to know a good thing when we see it, and we never fail to take advantage of it. About a year our attention was called to the Famous and Popular

Star Brand Shoes!



and we are making it our hobby to push the STAR BRAND SHOES. Those who have worn them are loudest in praising them. One trial will convince you.

OUR STOCK IS COMPLETE

in every detail. We can fit all ages and all sizes. Our Assortment is such that we can suit the most fastidious taste at all times.



REMEMBER

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because he promises to discharge his duties to the utmost of his ability. It was an opportune time to pay Judge Reagan a deserved tribute and Lanham did so with becoming grace. About all that characterized Lanham's speech was its euphony and even tenor.

Mr. Lanham has always represented his constituents ably in Congress and he will doubtless discharge his gubernatorial duties ably, patriotically, acceptably.

The names of the other candidates for State offices were presented and voted on at one time, and all were endorsed by acclamation. As stated before, the nominations of candidates for State offices were merely formal, as there was only one aspirant for each position before the Convention.

After the nominations for State offices were declared, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, which was disposed of before the Convention adjourned for noon. Of the chairmanship contest I shall write under another caption below.

CHAIRMANSHIP CONTEST.

In Democratic State Conventions the election of the Chairman of the Executive Committee is usually an affair of little interest, but the Galveston Convention was a unique occasion. It was something of a reversal of all preceding conventions.

The name of James B. Wells was placed in nomination to succeed himself by a number of wind-jammers. Walter P. Blake presented the name of Joseph E. Cockrell in a forcible speech. The Wells contingency attempted to prevent Blake from delivering his speech by frequent and constant yells, but Blake is a man of too much determination to surrender at the clamor of any opposition that may confront him in any laudable undertaking. In reply to frequent commands to "sit down," Blake good-naturedly informed the Convention: "Ah, gentlemen, you can not keep me from making my speech, for I am in a Democratic Convention." Mr. Blake delivered his speech amid much confusion and under exasperating circumstances. A number of orators had to "blow off their bazooks," and some did so without being heard. For a brief period the confusion was such that an on-looker might be led to dub the assembly a congregation of huddlums. There are always on every occasion some persons who disregard rules of decorum.

The issue between Cockrell and Wells was over the attitude of each towards the demand for uniform primary elections—for all counties of the State to hold their primary elections on the same date. Wells was Chairman of the Executive Committee and lent his influence against the holding of uniform primaries, whilst Cockrell as a member of the Committee pressed the demand for the reform, and in that way he was groomed as a candidate to succeed Wells. Wells, however, came over to Cockrell's position; but inasmuch as Wells had been "weighed in the balances and found wanting" on one occasion there were many, like myself, who felt that Wells should be retired and replaced by one who had been in thoro harmony with the popular demand for uniform primaries. The supporters of Cockrell also held that inasmuch as it had not been the custom for a Chairman of the Executive Committee to serve longer than two years—which is a good custom—it was but proper for Wells to retire.

The speech making was ended by a motion to ballot on the contest. This was the only question settled by a ballot by counties. Floyd County's one vote was cast for Cockrell, and while it was in the minority Floyd County has no apology to offer for the course pursued. If it was to do over Floyd County's one vote would be registered as it was before.

At the conclusion of the balloting Mr. Cockrell made a motion that the nomination of Wells be made unanimous, after which he proceeded to explain the part he played in the contest. He thought it was well for the sup-

porters of Wells to know the facts and he presented them without if or but. He was perfectly serene and composed while addressing the convention and uttered some truths hard for the supporters of Wells to swallow. He said that he had been opposed in his effort to have uniform primaries by every official in the State administration from a convict guard up to the chief executive, to which charge Governor Sayers dissented by shaking his head vigorously. He had never sought office and for that reason he could speak plainly. Upon being asked by some one what he was running for anyway Mr. Cockrell retorted that he was not running for anything, but if he were he guessed he would get permission from the political bosses. His utterances sounded like shot and shell. They were thunderbolts.

During my stay in Galveston it was my pleasure to cultivate the acquaintance of Mr. Cockrell. I found him to be most pleasant and agreeable. He is plain and positive. He is not in any sense a place-seeker. He is too honest for that.

PLATFORM DISCUSSIONS.

The consideration of the Platform Committee's report was the last transaction of the convention. There were some minority reports which elicited some discussions. That on the child's labor plank was of absorbing importance. Conspicuous among those favoring "legislation that would prevent the employment of children under 12 years of age in factories using machinery" was Judge A. W. Terrell of Austin and Judge Edward Gray of Dallas. Ex-Lieutenant Governor George T. Jester spoke against the minority report which was surprising to me. But when the vote was taken the minority plank gained a telling victory, and Floyd County's one vote was on the side of the children of tender years.

There was a minority report against the adoption of the State bank plank, which was submitted by W. P. Blake. As Mr. Blake had opportunity to explain the difference in State banks of deposit and discount and National banks of issue the plank prevailed as submitted by Mr. Blake. The chartering of State banks of deposit and discount will reduce the number of National banks. National banks have the power of issuing money and thereby places in the hands of a comparatively few persons the power of controlling the circulation and distribution of the money. State banks have not the power of issuing money.

There was also some discussion over a resolution introduced by the laboring men deploring the interference of State institutions of learning and manual training with the rights of striking laborers. This resolution was the outgrowth of the action of the acting president of the A. & M. College in sending students of that institution to take the place of the strikers in the I. & G. N. Railway shops at Palestine a few weeks ago. Mr. Curtis, the defeated candidate for Railroad Commissioner, made a vigorous and convincing speech in behalf of the resolution. I must say that Mr. Curtis in his effort in behalf of the laboring men of Texas won my respect and admiration. I had always before looked upon Mr. Curtis as one who would oppose the best interests of the masses, as I had understood him to be the corporations' candidate. In listening to Mr. Curtis' speech I learned something new. Never before had I heard of persons who took the place of strikers being commonly known as "scabs." My ignorance of the term is due to the fact that I have for a number of years "lived close to nature" and far from the "madding throng." Farmer Shaw interrupted Mr. Curtis by suggesting that the resolution was too mild and that it should demand the removal of the president of the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Farmer Shaw offered to amend the plank, which pertains to National issues, by adding some expressions touching upon the financial question. When Farmer Shaw stated that it was with the greatest modesty that he offered an amendment to a Democratic platform a laugh went up from

the assembly. But Chairman Robert A. John moved the previous question and thereby upset Farmer Shaw. Many of the delegates were willing to endorse the Kansas City platform, but they were shy of a specific declaration for bimetallism at the ratio of 16 to 1. Such was the case in 1894 in the State Convention at Dallas, but subsequent events changed the attitude of the politicians and place-seekers. But the endorsement of the Kansas City platform includes the 16 to 1 declaration and it can not be avoided with honor. And when the trusts are mentioned it, of course, means all trusts, which includes the gold standard, the most mammoth and pernicious trust in existence.

THE PLATFORM IN BRIEF.

The platform adopted consists of twenty planks. The features, in brief, are in the following order:

It declares its faith in the principles of the Kansas City platform; commends our Senators and Representatives in Congress; points with pride to the splendid condition of the several State departments and each State institution; favors legislation regarding the improvement of our public roads; favors the enactment of laws providing for the employment of short-time workers on the public roads; favors the continuance of the policy of the State towards its eleemosynary institutions; favors the substantial reinvestment of the present uniform text-book law, which expires in 1903; favors generous dealings with all State educational institutions and demands that the public schools be taken out of the domain of politics; requests the establishment of a textile school as a department of the Agricultural and Mechanical College and recommends that manual training be introduced into State normal schools, public free schools, and the State Orphan's Home; favors a broad and enlightened policy towards capital and corporations doing business in the State; favors the submission of a Constitutional amendment authorizing the charter of State banks of deposit and discount; demands a law prohibiting the employment of children under 12 years of age in factories using machinery; endorses the purpose of the Texas World's Fair Commission; recommends the passage of a law that will prevent the evils of issuing free passes by railway companies; recommends legislation that will correct the evils of the dismissal of subordinate officers without cause; demands a law which will regulate primaries for the nomination of National, State and District officers so that such nominations shall be invalid unless held on the same day in every county in the State; declares unqualifiedly for uniform primaries and instructs the State Democratic Committee to call said primaries for the next general election on the second Saturday in July, 1904; favors the remission of taxes due the State from the County of Galveston for a period of fifteen years for the upbuilding of the great seaport of Texas; and declares a platform pledge to be a covenant with the people and that it is the duty of every Democratic nominee to support and urge the fulfillment of each plank.

The platform, as a whole, meets my highest expectations, considering the circumstances. It endorses the Kansas City platform on National issues, and that was what I was most interested in. On National issues it makes special mention of the dangers of imperialism, centralization, trusts, monopolies, mergers, unjust taxation, and kindred evils; but it fails to mention the dangers of the single gold standard, which was supremely important, inasmuch as the other dangers were mentioned. Bimetallism is essentially a Democratic principle and tradition, and the Democratic party can never depart from bimetallism without being compelled to return to it for renewed life and vigor.

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I went from Cooper, Delta County, to Paris, Lamar County, on Saturday evening over the Texas Midland passenger. I spent the night with some relatives. On Sunday I went to Fort Worth over the Texas & Pacific passenger. I passed thru Honey Grove, Bonham, Sherman, Whitesboro, and Denton. Each of these are growing towns and are noted for educational enterprise. The farther towards Fort Worth I traveled the more unfavorable were the crop prospects.

At Fort Worth I spent some time eating supper, and swapping lies with first one and another, and waiting for the arrival of a belated south-bound Santa Fe passenger. I overheard some men discussing the attitude of Childress towards the negro. Childress will not permit negroes to reside in her limits and to compete with white labor. The men I heard talking asserted that it did not seem possible for such to be the case, inasmuch as there were a number of good solid Republicans at that place. I saw my opportunity to put in a word, and I did it. I informed the men that the best friend the negro has is the Southern Democrat, the man who understands best the negro and his disposition and habits; that the Northern Republican has great sympathy for the negro whilst residing in the land of snows, but has but little use for the negro when he understands the true status of the negro; that the white man who would attempt to equalize himself with the negro would turn out to be the negro's most stubborn enemy. The men acquiesced in my view of the matter.

I went that night to Milano on the Santa Fe and the next morning to Austin on the International & Great Northern. I spent about twelve hours in Austin. In Austin there are many places of interest, but my time would only permit me to visit the State Capitol building and the State University building and grounds. In some future number of THE HESPERIAN I may tell of my visit to Austin and some of my impressions formed therefrom.

I left Austin Monday night at about 11 o'clock for Galveston over the International & Great Northern and the Santa Fe. I know of little that happened, as I slept most of the time traveling to Galveston. Galveston was reached at about 10 o'clock in the morning.

In Central Texas Counties I saw the effects of the drouth that had prevailed. In many places the corn crop was an entire failure. Good rains had fallen in that section of the State at about the time they had visited the Plains Country, and the cotton crop was promising. I was impressed with the fact that when the Plains country fails to have enough rain other sections of the farming belt of Texas fail as well.

AT GALVESTON.

For the past score of years I have had a strong desire to visit and view the Island City of Texas. That aspiration was never realized until the morning of July 15. When a small boy at the age of three I remember standing on the wharf at Rock Port and viewing the Gulf of Mexico. I was not old enough to understand my surroundings and something like evil forebodings arose in my being and I was not long in expressing to my parents a desire to go elsewhere. The approach of a steamer indicated to me certain disaster and destruction. I could only see things from the standpoint of a child and I

thought as a child. I did not know of the existence of oceans or of the sphericity of the earth. I could see ships sail out of sight and I presumed that the jumping-off place was in the horizon. Many and varied are the views and conclusions of an observant boy of tender years.

Galveston is a city of great commercial importance to Texas. It is the only important water port in the State. Since the destruction of nearly two years ago, the progress in rebuilding the damaged City from the storm can not be estimated in dollars.

The erection of a large and durable sea-wall is more than a mere dream on the part of Galvestonians. It can be done and it will be done. It is estimated that the cost of the wall and the necessary filling in will amount to about \$3,750,000, but it will doubtless reach \$5,000,000 or a larger sum. But it is indispensable to the commerce of Texas as well as to the protection of the land property of Galveston.

I spent some time in the morning seeking a rooming place for them. I was finally accommodated at a meeting place near the Auditorium, where the State Democratic Convention was held. Lodging places were scarce and the few respectable places charged \$2.00 per day. The big politicians made their headquarters at the Tremont Hotel and all the small fry politicians like myself spent some of the time at the Tremont, but lodged and dined at places less luxurious and expensive.

FIRST DAY OF CONVENTION.

Tuesday, the first day of the Convention, was an unusually still day for the Island City. It was one of those rare days in Galveston when there is no sea breeze. It was a day calculated to cause a person of even a "lean and hungry look" to perspire immoderately. It was one that took the starch out of collars, cuffs, and staked-and-ripped shirts, and increased the patronage of the laundries.

The convention was not a truly representative body as has been the case hitherto when vital issues were at stake. Many of the counties were represented by proxy and some were not represented at all. Few counties adjacent to Floyd County were represented by delegates or by proxies. Clyde P. Kendall of Motley County was the only one with myself in attendance from the Counties removed from the Denver Road.

The Convention Hall was arranged in Senatorial Districts, and the Counties of the several Senatorial Districts were designated by placards. I looked upon the chair designated for Floyd County as a holy place. The words "Floyd County" appealed to my pride. She is great geographically, great politically, and great in resources.

The proceedings of the first day were merely formal and preliminary. The several committees were appointed and set to work. It was generally understood that there would be no contests over nominations for State officers and that there would be no exciting contests over the adoption of the platform, but every one present could clearly see that the contest for Chairman of the Executive Committee between the supporters of Cockrell and those of Wells would be the most determined. The "Congressional trust," as ex-Governor Hogg dubbed it, were at Galveston pulling the wires for Wells.

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was held for the purpose of passing resolutions and otherwise consuming time.

The venerable John H. Reagan was the recipient of resolutions commending his public career. He spoke feelingly of the compliments paid him. He referred to his fidelity to the principles of Democracy and expressed his desire for the triumph of Democracy as the savior of the National Government. He deplored the practice now in vogue to ignore the Constitution in order to carry out whatever schemes that the power in control might desire. He referred to the conflict between labor and capital. He made mention of the fact that the thousands of strikers in Pennsylvania were now in a struggle for their rights and against the monopoly of capital, but that when the time comes for voting they would vote with the party that is enslaving them. Among his concluding remarks he said: "I do not like to be an evil prophet, but I contemplate this question with fear." Judge Reagan has figured conspicuously in the most stormy periods of the country's history, and he has never been accused of playing the role of a "calamity howler." What he says with reference to present conditions is not overdrawn in any particular. It is a startling fact, not a fancy. The times are growing more serious than ever before. There is too great a lack of vigilance on the part of the masses—those who are most capable of taking an unbiased view of the situation. The people hold themselves in reserve and fail to act when the opportunity presents itself whilst the petty politicians and financial magnates manipulate affairs.

Ex-Governor Frank R. Lubbock was in attendance and was tendered a sort of ovation by the assembly. Governor Lubbock is fast growing feeble. He is small of physique, but has been large of intellect. Like Judge Reagan, he can not survive many years longer.

Judge Reagan and Governor Lubbock have resided in Texas for about three score years and have served in office nearly as long. During their days of activity they have endured much from the shafts of calumny and malevolence; but now since they voluntarily retire from private life the politicians are glad to honor them. Whilst on this point, it is sad to recall the shameful manner in which Judge Reagan was treated by the State Democratic Convention eight years ago at Dallas, because of his steadfast advocacy of bimetallicism. The politicians are glad to worship a statesman when he retires from public life, but when he aspires to public trusts of honor or of emolument he becomes the victim of vituperation and misrepresentation.

THE SECOND DAY.

The second day of the Convention was at times interesting and exciting. An unusual program was carried out. The Committee on Platform and Resolutions announced that it would be unable to report before the afternoon, and in order to expedite business it was decided to transact the other business of the convention first and to take up the Platform Committee's report in the afternoon.

This was not a good precedent, for the reason that the several candidates nominated accepted or rather received the honor without knowing the Party's platform and without formally accepting the platform as their guide. In other words, the candidates are not bound by the provisions of the platform if their convictions are contrary to the platform demands. It is presumed that they endorse the platform and that they will studiously live up to its demands, but such presumption is unsafe when vital issues are involved. It is the duty of the candidates for public trusts of honor or of emolument to go before the people and state their position on the issues. As long as men are candidates for office they are free—and, by the way, it is their duty—to assert their platforms of principles; but when they are nominated and are elected by the people they cease to be principals and become agents for the people, "who are and of right ought to be" the principals. If an officer can not endorse the people's mandates he should resign and give way to some aspirant who can do so without mental reservation. A republican form of government signifies that the officers or representatives are to reflect the people's wishes in all transactions of the government. Officers who refuse to carry out the instructions of their constituents should be branded with the stigma of disgrace. A candidate for a public trust should be much more than a mere place-seeker. Popular elections have something more holy in their object than spoils.

Judge Reagan put S. W. T. Lanham in nomination in a few brief but pointed remarks, and only one speech seconding the nomination was made. There being no other candidate for Governor Lanham's nomination was unanimous. Mr. Lanham was presented to the convention and he was received with the usual demonstrations of applause. He is a splendid speaker. His address was highly enjoyed by the multitude and it reads well in print. It was delivered with much feeling, but it deals wholly in glittering generalities and contains nothing definite or specific, so to speak. It is presumed that he will render the people "an eminently wise and patriotic" administration.

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I am Making a Special Drive on My Stock of

DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS

—MYCRULES OF BUSINESS—

Are simple enough. First, I buy my goods where I can get them at the lowest dealers' prices; second, I mark my goods down so as to make a small but legitimate profit; third, I sell rapidly and keep new stocks of goods constantly coming in.

JUST RECEIVED!

My stock of Spring and Summer Goods are here and I want you to call and inspect them.

Of all the good things I have in it will pay you to see my extra fine shoes, worth \$3.50 marked down to only \$3.00. Ladies' and gents' slippers for Sunday wear at the lowest prices. Nice dress goods—Lawns, Prints, Gingham, and fine patterns. Don't fail to see my Misses' and Children's Hose.

GEO. R. GRIGGS, -:- Floydada, -:- Texas.

J. K. Abraham, of near Plainview, is on the streets of Floydada today.

If you want something good in the way of a pocket knife, R. C. Scott can please you at the drug store.

The ground is thoroly soaked from the recent rains. A few more good rains will put water in the basins.

Grass is as green as green can be and crops of all sorts are growing so fast that the eye can almost see them growing.

G. R. Griggs never fails to undersell on all lines of his dry goods and notions departments. Reason: Because he buys at the lowest prices.

Everything seasonable at R. C. Scott's drug store. Fresh insect powders, Paris Green, Moth Balls, Fly paper, Carbolic Acid, crude and pure.

The Floydada boys have been keeping the ground about Floydada warm playing base ball. The game played last Friday resulted in a glorious victory for the first nine.

Do not fail to try my brands of coffee and you will prefer no other. I handle the best grades in existence. I sell just as I do all other lines of goods—down as cheap as possible.—G. R. Griggs.

Dr. Peeples, who has been spending some time attending the bedside of his little boy at S. L. Rushing's in Fairview settlement, left this morning for his home in Lawton, Oklahoma.

Cut this out and take it to R. C. Scott's drug store and get a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. The best physic. They also correct disorders of the stomach. Price 25 cents.

Tomorrow evening the Sovereigns of Woodcraft will hold forth in regular session and will confer on new timber the Protective degree with the amplified form. All who can give the pass-word or show themselves in good standing as choppers are cordially invited to be present and to participate in the work.

John B. Baker, Precinct No. 4's commissioner, has bought the Fish hotel building, which Mr. Baker and family will occupy for the purpose of patronizing the public school at Floydada. Mr. Baker will also keep some boarding pupils of the school. Floydada is ever glad to welcome such a family as Mr. Baker's in her midst.

NOTICE.

Blanco Canyon will be fenced within ten days from date, cutting off all outside stock from watering at said stream. All parties having stock running at large in this portion of the country are hereby warned to see after same.—J. G. Norris, A. Robinson, J. T. Pitts, W. A. J. Jones, Dr. Wade.

Your trade is needed, because we have the goods. We can supply your wants because we have the goods. We have the goods because we are in business and mean business. We invite inspection; we invite comparison. We can please you because we have prepared to do so. A meritorious business never fails to win, hence we win the trade.—Snodgrass & Nelson.

Simmons' Stock powders at R. C. Scott's

All kinds of cold drinks at the O. K. barber shop and ice cream till you can't chin it. Ol also carries a nice line of candies and cigars.

LOST—A small pearl handle pen-knife with one blade in each end. Finder will be rewarded 25 cents by returning same to this office, or to G. C. Pruitt.

FOR SALE—I have 320 acres of patented land two miles west of Floydada, which I will sell at \$3.50 per acre. Apply to or address H. C. CRUE, Floydada, Texas.

Swapping Lies

Is practiced, but don't swap off Hunt's Lightning Oil for a worthless article. Ask your druggist or merchant for free sample bottle.

G. R. Griggs received some new goods this week. He invites you to call and inspect his stock. He makes it a point to advertise his business every time he sells an article large or small.

S. A. McMannis and daughter, Miss Arvie, of Gage, Oklahoma, are here visiting. They resided at this place until the spring of last year and have many friends who are glad to see them once more.

J. C. Fortenberry handed this paper a dollar with the solemn injunction: "Keep her coming and don't let her stop, for I can't live without her." Upon being asked if his children would cry for "her" if they did not get "her" regularly he answered in the affirmative.

C. B. Thomason has, after casting about for some time prospecting in this country, bought what is known as the Clint Weddington section, two miles south of Floydada. Mr. Thomason's eyes are prophetic enough that he sees an assuring present and a bright future in this country. He and his family will make their permanent home here as soon as they can arrange their affairs in Brown county. In Mr. Thomason Brown county will lose and Floyd county will gain a good citizen.

Need More Help.

Often the over-taxed organs of digestion cry out for help by dispepsia's pains, nausea, dizziness, headache liver complaints, bowel disorders. Such troubles call for prompt use of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are gentle, thorough and guaranteed to cure. 25c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

The Best Liniment for Strains.

Mr. F. H. Wells, the merchant at Deer Park, Long Island, N. Y., says "I always recommend Chamberlain's Pain Balm as the best liniment for strains. Used it last winter for a severe lameness in the side, resulting from a strain, and was greatly pleased with the quick relief and cure it effected." For sale by R. C. Scott.

Heaven Help Us

In our troubles, but use Hunt's cure for itch, tetter, ringworm, itching piles and eczema. Guaranteed.

Cresylic ointment at R. C. Scott's Undertaker's goods in stock at C. Surginer's.

100 gallons of high grade house paint soon to arrive at R. C. Scott's. Remember C. Surginer carries a complete stock of undertaker's goods.

Sorghum seed for sale at customary prices at the store of S. L. Boone & Co., Lockney, Texas.

Stockmen are jubilant since the recent heavy rains. Grass is good and all kinds of stock are sleek and fat.

Just Arrived.

A fine assortment of large Mirrors and other useful articles at J. G. Ranft's Hardware Store. South side of Square.

Many Floyd county farmers report that they will make some corn since the recent rains. It has been observed before that this country can endure longer without rain than any other farming country in the world, and the observation is a true one.

Attention is called to the Floydada-Chillicothe line advertisement, which appears in this issue.

Let deep lice, ticks, screw worms, house flies, lice on your horse, a disinfectant, at R. C. Scott's.

Don't Tell A Lie

When we say there's no shaking of bottles, no licking of spoons, no wry faces when Chamberlain's Laxative Chill Tablets are used. 25c. No cure—no pay.

A large assortment of paints just put in stock at the Floydada Lumber Company. If you are thinking of painting your house, barn or fences it will pay you to inspect this company's lines.

Don't Lie to You.

Some other salve, ointment, or oil or alleged ointment is as good as Bucklen's Arnica Salve, tell him thirty years of marvelous cures of piles, burns, boils, corns, felons, ulcers, cuts, scalds, bruises and skin eruptions. Prove it's the best and cheapest. 25c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

Barbecue and Picnic.

This paper is requested to announce that there will be a barbecue and picnic on the Liguish Canyon two miles above the F Ranch headquarters in the north part of the county on Thursday and Friday, August 7 and 8. Plenty of barbecued beef and coffee will be furnished and visitors are requested to carry bread and nicnacs, Speaking, broncho busting, tournament riding, etc., will be features of entertainment.

Floydada has had an abundance of preaching and revivals for the past month. First, the Holiness people held a ten days meeting; second, the Methodist people held one of about the same duration; and third, the Baptist people have been conducting a meeting since last Saturday. Much interest is being manifested in the present revival. Messrs. Rattan and Britton of Motley county are conducting the services. Mr. Rattan is well known among the people here. Mr. Britton is a preacher of acknowledged ability.

If you are Expecting to buy Farming Implements, Remember that C. Surginer, the Hardware Man of Floydada, is prepared to supply you with the very best Implements made and sold.

IF YOU ARE WANTING SOMETHING TO WEAR

That Will Fit



and will fit you right, and will fit you to the best advantage—show you off to the best advantage—, you can not do better at any place—as well at many places—than you can in selecting from my splendid stock of Men's and Boys' Clothing.

I have clothing for all sizes and ages—all occupations—and have bought them so that I can undersell others, quality considered. If you want to buy it will pay you to see me. It is always a pleasure to show my goods to you. A. C. BOWERS, Floydada.

Should you need anything in the undertaker's line call on C. Surginer. He can supply you.

Have you ever seen a sample copy of Mr. Bryan's paper, The Commoner? You can get one at the office of THE HESPERIAN.

A Tripple Hanging

Smith, Brown, and Jones hang their hopes of recovery upon Cheatham's Laxative Chill Tablets. They will be around soon shaking hands with friends. 25c. No cure—no pay.

J. A. and R. L. Beckham, relatives of Judge Duncan, are visiting and prospecting here with a view of locating. They reside in Hopkins county. They are well pleased with the appearance of this country.

"I am using a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and find them the best thing for my stomach I ever used," says T. W. Robinson, justice of the peace, Loomis, Mich. These Tablets not only correct disorders of the stomach but regulate the liver and bowels. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by R. G. Scott.

Aunt Lucindy

Always carries Hunt's Lightning Oil around with her, says it's fine for swellings, tooth-ache, colic, weak-back, back-ache, cuts, burus, neuralgia, catarrh. Aunt Lucindy has sixty-nine grandchildren and ought to know what she is talking about.

Competitors may blow that they do not sell on time, and for that reason their customers do not have to pay other people's debts. I will state that I sell as few goods on time as any man in Floyd county, and what goods I do sell on time are the same as the spot cash, for I have been in Floyd county a long time and know whom to credit and whom not to credit and I never fail to collect from all of my customers whom I accommodate for a short time: I can always collect from them without having to dun them thru the columns of the newspapers. I am anxious for you to call and price my goods. My long experience in the mercantile business is an important item for the custom to consider.—A. C. Bowers.

Next week's issue of THE HESPERIAN will contain the last of the editor's series of articles on his trip "From Highland to Lowland," and it will doubtless be refreshing to the readers to learn that no more trips of space-consuming importance, for the year 1902, will be made by the editor. Next week's article will be given in broken doses or in a variety of doses. It will tell of some of the editor's experiences and observations in Galveston, of his meditations and conversations in traveling, and of his visit and view of Austin. He met with some experiences that wonderfully enlightened him as to city customs, and he will not hesitate to present the whole account. If may, in some instances, place him in a ridiculous light, but his experiences will be splendid object lessons to those readers who have never been brought face to face with city airs and customs. It will be instructive and perhaps amusing.

I am making a special drive on my spring goods—calicos, lawns, domestics, ladies' and men's hose, shoes and summer footwear, in fact everything—at the lowest cash prices of any firm in Floydada. I sell lower than any other house in Floydada. Mark it down.—A. C. Bowers.

Value of Texas Farms.

The actual value of the farming interests of Texas are adequately set forth in a recent bulletin issued by the U. S. Census, which states the value of farm lands and farm property in Texas amounted to \$862,496,273. There were 322,190 farms in the State, covering an area of 125,807,017 acres, or about 80 per cent of the total area of the State. Of the total value of the farming interests, the farm lands themselves were reported as worth \$595,550,802; the improvements, \$100,222,811; implements and machinery, \$30,125,705, and livestock, \$24,576,055. The value of animal products for the year 1899 amounted to \$166,970,711, and of crops \$72,837,000. The total value of farm products for 1900 was \$144,000,000, but a part of this gain is attributed to a more detailed enumeration in 1900 than in 1890.

The bulletin further shows the average size of Texas farms to be 357 acres, but only a little more than 15 per cent of the farm land is improved. The largest body of land in the State classed as a farm embraces 450,000 acres. Of the farm lands of the State 65,472 acres were held by negroes. The total value of the land in the State devoted to livestock is \$391,788,647, and of land devoted to cotton, the next most important agricultural interest, \$381,138,358. The average size of the live stock farm is 2115 acres and the cotton farm, 98 acres.—Literary Bureau Southern Pacific-H. & T. C. R.R.

The Fair at Quanah.

The meeting of the Northwest Texas Fair Association to be held at Quanah August 19 22 will be the best in the history of the Association. Arrangements are already under way, and a number of new and interesting features will be introduced for the entertainment of the people. A splendid racing program has been prepared, there being four races daily with liberal purses. It is expected that the "Quanah Stake Race," for which a purse of \$400 will be hung up, will bring the cracks from all over the country. It is a running race, three-fourths of a mile. There is also a free-for-all pace or trot for a purse of \$350. All the purses are good. There will also be a novelty race each day, and a balloon ascension with a parachute descent. Some of the popular features of last year's meeting, the ladies' and boys riding contests and the saddle and harness horse rings, will be retained. Liberal premiums will be given on all kinds of live stock.

It is desired to make this meeting in reality as well as in name a Northwest Texas institution, and it is hoped that all neighboring counties will take an interest. It was decided to hold the meeting earlier this year on account of it being more of an idle time than later on when fall work has begun.

Another Thru Train TO KOOL KOLORADO!

Beginning July first, we shall have two Thru trains to Colorado each day. One will leave Fort Worth at 9:45 a. m., after the arrival of all evening connections.

For guests who wish to retire early, a sleeping-car will be ready each evening at 9 o'clock.

Both trains will be run thru to Denver. Each will carry thru coaches and sleeping-cars, and meals will be served, en route, in cafe dining cars.

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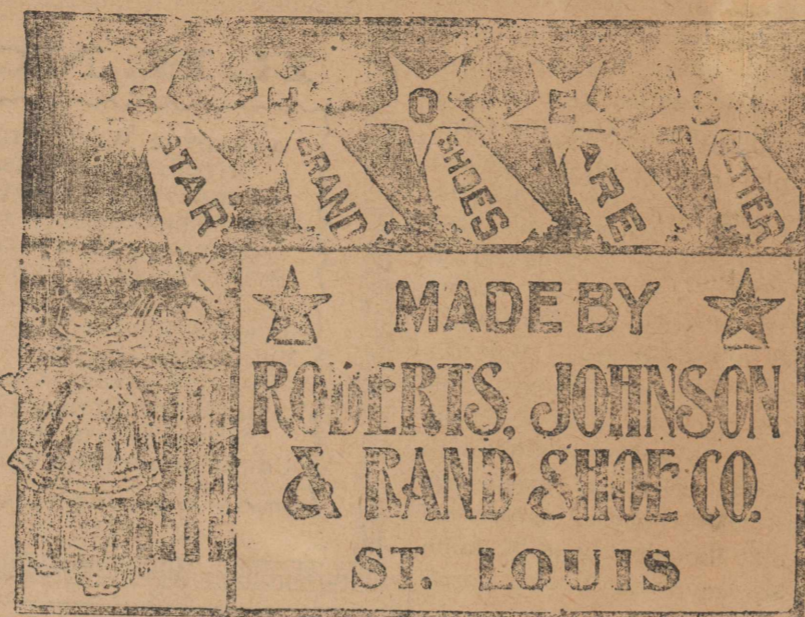
Stage leaves Childress at 5 a. m.; Floydada, 5 a. m.; arriving at Childress at 8 p. m.; Floydada, 9 p. m.; same day. Leaves Matador at 9:30 a. m. and arrives at Matador at 4 p. m.

Cary Griggs writes this paper that he will return to Floyd county about September 1 from Puerto, New Mexico, and will remain among the people of Floyd county in the interest of his candidacy for County Treasurer.

L. T. Pate bought a half section of the G. W. Darden place, three miles northeast of Floydada. Mr. Pate and family left Tuesday for their home in Parker county and will move to their Floyd county home next October. It is understood that Mr. Darden will not leave the county, but will seek a location where he will have more range.

Caesar Conquered Britain.

Malaria was conquered by Simmons' Liver Purifier (tin box). Protected from moisture, dust and insects. Clears the complexion, cures constipation, aids and corrects action of the liver.



OUR HOBBY!

We have Hobbies and we do not conceal them. We make it a point to know a good thing when we see it, and we never fail to take advantage of it. About a year our attention was called to the Famous and Popular

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Snodgrass & Nelson,
FLOYDADA, TEXAS.

Read this paper for one year. \$1.00

Some people may become confused on time because they have no perfect time keepers. If you are in need of a more perfect time piece call and see our new clocks. They are beauties and are all one could wish for in that line.—Snodgrass & Nelson.

Summer Vacations

Are pleasant or otherwise as we choose to make them. To begin right see that your ticket reads via such lines as will afford the most comfort, and rob your Journey of every feature of ennui or fatigue. The Southern Pacific-Sunset Route is perfectly equipped, the track rock ballasted and smooth, and is operated on the most approved methods known to the railway world. Round trip excursion tickets are now on sale at very reduced rates to points in Alabama, Arkansas, Colorado, Georgia, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Try a trip to New York via New Orleans and Cromwell line, it's delightful. For literature and rates write

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Summer complaint is unusually prevalent among Children this season. A well developed case in the writer's family was cured last week by the timely use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy—one of the best patent medicines manufactured and which is always kept on hand at the home of ye scribe. This is not intended for a free puff for the company, who do not advertise with us, but to benefit little sufferers who may not be in easy access of a physician. No family should be without a bottle of this medicine in the house, especially in summer-time.—Lansing, Iowa, Journal. For sale by R. C. Scott

Floydada Lumber Company has in stock a lot of shingles for the trade. They are of the best grades and at prices to win the trade.

Announcement Column.

THE HESPERIAN will announce candidates under this head at the following rates:

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THE HESPERIAN is authorized to announce the following candidates for the respective offices, election November 4, 1902:

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For County Judge,
ARTHUR B. DUNCAN.

For County and District Clerk.
HOMER HOWARD.
U. S. WILKINSON.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector.
C. F. RAMSEY.
E. C. HENRY.
S. B. McCLESKEY.

For County Treasurer.
O. J. KING.
CARY GRIGGS.
J. L. VAN HOOK.

For Tax Assessor.
M. S. DUMAS.

For County Surveyor.
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Special Rates on Pecos System and Southern Kansas of Texas Lines.

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Greatly reduced rates for round trip to Boulder, Denver, Colorado Springs Pueblo and Trinidad, Colorado. Tickets on sale daily until September 30th, final limit October 31, 1902. Stop-overs allowed in Colorado at and north of Trinidad. Side trips to all points of interest in Colorado and Utah.

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To have given up would have meant death for Mrs. Lois Cragg, of Dorchester, Mass. For years she had suffered untold misery from a severe lung trouble and obstinate cough. "Often," she writes, "I could scarcely breathe and sometimes could not speak. All doctors and remedies failed till I used Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and was completely cured. Sufferers from coughs, colds, throat and lung trouble need this grand remedy, for it never disappoints. Cure is guaranteed by R. C. Scott. Price 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

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J. A. Kelly relates an experience similar to that which has happened in almost every neighborhood in the United States and has been told and re-told by thousands of others. He says: "Last summer I had an attack of dysentery and purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, which I used according to directions and with entirely satisfactory results. The trouble was controlled much quicker than former attacks when I used other remedies." Mr. Kelly is a well known citizen of Henderson, N. C. For sale by R. C. Scott.

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because he promises to discharge his duties to the utmost of his ability. It was an opportune time to pay Judge Reagan a deserved tribute and Lanham did so with becoming grace. About all that characterized Lanham's speech was its euphoniousness and even tenor.

Mr. Lanham has always represented his constituents ably in Congress and he will doubtless discharge his gubernatorial duties ably, patriotically, acceptably.

The names of the other candidates for State offices were presented and voted on at one time, and all were endorsed by acclamation. As stated before, the nominations of candidates for State offices were merely formal, as there was only one aspirant for each position before the Convention.

After the nominations for State offices were declared, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, which was disposed of before the Convention adjourned for noon. Of the chairmanship contest I shall write under another caption below.

CHAIRMANSHIP CONTEST.

In Democratic State Conventions the election of the Chairman of the Executive Committee is usually an affair of little interest, but the Galveston Convention was a unique occasion. It was something of a reversal of all preceding conventions.

The name of James B. Wells was placed in nomination to succeed himself by a number of wind-jammers. Walter P. Blake presented the name of Joseph E. Cockrell in a forcible speech. The Wells contingency attempted to prevent Blake from delivering his speech by frequent and constant yells, but Blake is a man of too much determination to surrender at the clamor of any opposition that may confront him in any laudable undertaking. In reply to frequent commands to "sit down," Blake good-naturedly informed the Convention: "Ah, gentlemen, you can not keep me from making my speech, for I am in a Democratic Convention." Mr. Blake delivered his speech amid much confusion and under exasperating circumstances. A number of orators had to "blow off their bazooes," and some did so without being heard. For a brief period the confusion was such that an on-looker might be led to dub the assembly a congregation of huddlums. There are always on every occasion some persons who disregard rules of decorum.

The issue between Cockrell and Wells was over the attitude of each towards the demand for uniform primary elections—for all counties of the State to hold their primary elections on the same date. Wells was Chairman of the Executive Committee and lent his influence against the holding of uniform primaries, whilst Cockrell as a member of the Committee pressed the demand for the reform, and in that way he was groomed as a candidate to succeed Wells. Wells, however, came over to Cockrell's position; but inasmuch as Wells had been "weighed in the balances and found wanting" on one occasion there were many, like myself, who felt that Wells should be retired and replaced by one who had been in thoro harmony with the popular demand for uniform primaries. The supporters of Cockrell also held that inasmuch as it had not been the custom for a Chairman of the Executive Committee to serve longer than two years—which is a good custom—it was but proper for Wells to retire.

The speech making was ended by a motion to ballot on the contest. This was the only question settled by a ballot by counties. Floyd County's one vote was cast for Cockrell, and while it was in the minority Floyd County has no apology to offer for the course pursued. If it was to do over Floyd County's one vote would be registered as it was before.

At the conclusion of the balloting Mr. Cockrell made a motion that the nomination of Wells be made unanimous, after which he proceeded to explain the part he played in the contest. He thought it was well for the sup-

porters of Wells to know the facts and he presented them without if or but. He was perfectly serene and composed while addressing the convention and uttered some truths hard for the supporters of Wells to swallow. He said that he had been opposed in his effort to have uniform primaries by every official in the State administration from a convict guard up to the chief executive, to which charge Governor Sayers dissented by shaking his head vigorously. He had never sought office and for that reason he could speak plainly. Upon being asked by some one what he was running for anyway Mr. Cockrell retorted that he was not running for anything, but if he were he guessed he would get permission from the political bosses. His utterances sounded like shot and shell. They were thunderbolts.

During my stay in Galveston it was my pleasure to cultivate the acquaintance of Mr. Cockrell. I found him to be most pleasant and agreeable. He is plain and positive. He is not in any sense a place-seeker. He is too honest for that.

PLATFORM DISCUSSIONS.

The consideration of the Platform Committee's report was the last transaction of the convention. There were some minority reports which elicited some discussions. That on the child's labor plank was of absorbing importance. Conspicuous among those favoring "legislation that would prevent the employment of children under 12 years of age in factories using machinery" was Judge A. W. Terrell of Austin and Judge Edward Gray of Dallas. Ex-Lieutenant Governor George T. Jester spoke against the minority report which was surprising to me. But when the vote was taken the minority plank gained a telling victory, and Floyd County's one vote was on the side of the children of tender years.

There was a minority report against the adoption of the State bank plank, which was submitted by W. P. Blake. As soon as Mr. Blake had opportunity to explain the difference in State banks of deposit and discount and National banks of issue the plank prevailed as submitted by Mr. Blake. The chartering of State banks of deposit and discount will reduce the number of National banks. National banks have the power of issuing money and thereby places in the hands of a comparatively few persons the power of controlling the circulation and distribution of the money. State banks have not the power of issuing money.

There was also some discussion over a resolution introduced by the laboring men deploring the interference of State institutions of learning and manual training with the rights of striking laborers. This resolution was the outgrowth of the action of the acting president of the A. & M. College in sending students of that institution to take the place of the strikers in the I. & G. N. Railway shops at Palestine a few weeks ago. Mr. Curtis, the defeated candidate for Railroad Commissioner, made a vigorous and convincing speech in behalf of the resolution. I must say that Mr. Curtis in his effort in behalf of the laboring men of Texas won my respect and admiration. I had always before looked upon Mr. Curtis as one who would oppose the best interests of the masses, as I had understood him to be the corporations' candidate. In listening to Mr. Curtis' speech I learned something new. Never before had I heard of persons who took the places of strikers being commonly known as "scabs." My ignorance of the term is due to the fact that I have for a number of years "lived close to nature" and far from the "madding throng." Farmer Shaw interrupted Mr. Curtis by suggesting that the resolution was too mild and that it should demand the removal of the president of the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Farmer Shaw offered to amend the plank, which pertains to National issues, by adding some expressions touching upon the financial question. When Farmer Shaw stated that it was with the greatest modesty that he offered an amendment to a Democratic platform a laugh went up from

the assembly. But Chairman Robert A. John moved the previous question and thereby upset Farmer Shaw. Many of the delegates were willing to endorse the Kansas City platform, but they were shy of a specific declaration for bimetalism at the ratio of 16 to 1. Such was the case in 1894 in the State Convention at Dallas, but subsequent events changed the attitude of the politicians and place-seekers. But the endorsement of the Kansas City platform includes the 16 to 1 declaration and it can not be avoided with honor. And when the trusts are mentioned it, of course, means all trusts, which includes the gold standard, the most mammoth and pernicious trust in existence.

THE PLATFORM IN BRIEF.

The platform adopted consists of twenty planks. The features, in brief, are in the following order:

It declares its faith in the principles of the Kansas City platform; commends our Senators and Representatives in Congress; points with pride to the splendid condition of the several State departments and each State institution; favors legislation regarding the improvement of our public roads; favors the enactment of laws providing for the employment of short-time convicts on the public roads; favors the continuance of the policy of the State towards its eleemosynary institutions; favors the substantial reenactment of the present uniform text-book law, which expires in 1903; favors generous dealings with all State educational institutions and demands that the public schools be taken out of the domain of politics; requests the establishment of a textile school as a department of the Agricultural and Mechanical College and recommends that manual training be introduced into State normal schools; public free schools, and the State Orphans' Home; favors a broad and enlightened policy towards capital and corporations doing business in the State; favors a well considered riparian law in the interest of the rice and other industries of the State; favors the submission of a Constitutional amendment authorizing the charter of State banks of deposit and discount; demands a law prohibiting the employment of children under 12 years of age in factories using machinery; endorses the purpose of the Texas World's Fair Commission; recommends the passage of a law that will prevent the evils of issuing free passes by railway companies; recommends legislation that will correct the evils of the dismissal of subordinate officers without cause; demands a law which will regulate primaries for the nomination of National, State and District officers so that such nominations shall be invalid unless held on the same day in every county in the State; declares unqualifiedly for uniform primaries and instructs the State Democratic Committee to call said primaries for the next general election on the second Saturday in July, 1904; favors the remission of taxes due the State from the County of Galveston for a period of fifteen years for the rebuilding of the great seaport of Texas; and declares a platform pledge to be a covenant with the people and that it is the duty of every Democratic nominee to support and urge the fulfillment of each plank.

The platform, as a whole, meets my highest expectations, considering the circumstances. It endorses the Kansas City platform on National issues, and that was what I was most interested in. On National issues it makes special mention of the dangers of imperialism, centralization, trusts, monopolies, mergers, unjust taxation, and kindred evils; but it fails to mention the dangers of the single gold standard, which was supremely important, inasmuch as the other dangers were mentioned. Bimetalism is essentially a Democratic principle and tradition, and the Democratic party can never depart from bimetalism without being compelled to return to it for renewed life and vigor. As to the State's policy towards capital and corporations I believe in welcoming them if they come within the State's borders to do business, but when they attempt to transcend

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ON THE WAY TO GALVESTON.

I went from Cooper, Delta County, to Paris, Lamar County, on Saturday evening over the Texas Midland passenger. I spent the night with some relatives. On Sunday I went to Fort Worth over the Texas & Pacific passenger. I passed thru Honey Grove, Bonham, Sherman, Whitesboro, and Denton. Each of these are growing towns and are noted for educational enterprise. The farther towards Fort Worth I traveled the more unfavorable were the crop prospects.

At Fort Worth I spent some time eating supper, and swapping lies with first one and another, and waiting for the arrival of a belated south-bound Santa Fe passenger. I overheard some men discussing the attitude of Childress towards the negro. Childress will not permit negroes to reside in her limits and to compete with white labor. The men I heard talking asserted that it did not seem possible for such to be the case, inasmuch as there were a number of good solid Republicans at that place. I saw my opportunity to put in a word, and I did it. I informed the men that the best friend the negro has is the Southern Democrat, the man who understands best the negro and his disposition and habits; that the Northern Republican has great sympathy for the negro whilst residing in the land of snows, but has but little use for the negro when he understands the true status of the negro; that the white man who would attempt to equalize himself with the negro would turn out to be the negro's most stubborn enemy. The men acquiesced in my view of the matter.

I went that night to Milano on the Santa Fe and the next morning to Austin on the International & Great Northern. I spent about twelve hours in Austin. In Austin there are many places of interest, but my time would only permit me to visit the State Capitol building and the State University building and grounds. In some future number of THE HESPERIAN I may tell of my visit to Austin and some of my impressions formed therefrom.

I left Austin Monday night at about 11 o'clock for Galveston over the International & Great Northern and the Santa Fe. I know of little that happened, as I slept most of the time traveling to Galveston. Galveston was reached at about 10 o'clock in the morning.

In Central Texas Counties I saw the effects of the drouth that had prevailed. In many places the corn crop was an entire failure. Good rains had fallen in that section of the State at about the time they had visited the Plains Country, and the cotton crop was promising. I was impressed with the fact that when the Plains country fails to have enough rain other sections of the farming belt of Texas fail as well.

AT GALVESTON.

For the past score of years I have had a strong desire to visit and view the Island City of Texas. That aspiration was never realized until the morning of July 15. When a small boy at the age of three I remember standing on the wharf at Rock Port and viewing the Gulf of Mexico. I was not old enough to understand my surroundings and something like evil forebodings arose in my being and I was not long in expressing to my parents a desire to go elsewhere. The approach of a steamer indicated to me certain disaster and destruction. I could only see things from the standpoint of a child and I

thought as a child. I do not know of the existence of ocean ships sail out of sight and I presumed that the jumping-off place was in the horizon. Many varied are the views and conclusions of an observant boy of tender years. Galveston is a city of great commercial importance to Texas. It is the only important deep water port in the State. She has suffered much from the destructive storm of nearly two years ago, but has made marked progress in being rebuilt. The damage sustained by the Island City from the storm can not be estimated in dollars.

The erection of a large and durable sea-wall is more than a mere dream on the part of Galvestonians. It can be done and it will be done. It is estimated that the cost of the wall and the necessary filling in will amount to about \$3,700,000, but it will doubtless reach \$4,000,000 or a larger sum. But it is indispensable to the commerce of Texas as well as to the protection of life and property of Galveston.

I spent some time upon my arrival seeking a lodging place, and was finally accommodated at a nice place near the Auditorium, where the State Democratic Convention was held. Lodging places were scarce and the most respectable places charged \$2.00 per day. The big politicians made their headquarters at the Tremont Hotel and the small fry politicians like myself spent some of the time at the Tremont, but lodged and dined at places less luxurious and expensive.

FIRST DAY OF CONVENTION.

Tuesday, the first day of the Convention, was an unusually still day for the Island City. It was one of those rare days in Galveston when there is no sea breeze. It was a day calculated to cause a person of even a "lean and hungry look" to perspire immoderately. It was one that took the starch out of collars, cuffs, and staked and ridered shirts, and increased the patronage of the laundries.

The convention was not a truly representative body as has been the case hitherto when vital issues were at stake. Many of the counties were represented by proxy and some were not represented at all. Few counties adjacent to Floyd County were represented by delegates or by proxies. Clyde P. Kendall of Motley County was the only one with myself in attendance from the Counties removed from the Denver Road.

The Convention Hall was arranged in Senatorial Districts, and the Counties of the several Senatorial Districts were designated by placards. I looked upon the chair designated for Floyd County as a holy place. The words "Floyd County" appealed to my pride. She is great geographically, great politically, and great in resources.

The proceedings of the first day were merely formal and preliminary. The several committees were appointed and set to work. It was generally understood that there would be no contests over nominations for State officers and that there would be no exciting contests over the adoption of the platform, but every one present could clearly see that the contest for Chairman of the Executive Committee between the supporters of Cockrell and those of Wells would be the most determined. The "Congressional trust," as ex-Governor Hogg dubbed it, were at Galveston pulling the wires for Wells.

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was held for the purpose of passing resolutions and otherwise consuming time.

The venerable John H. Reagan was the recipient of resolutions commending his public career. He spoke feelingly of the compliments paid him. He referred to his fidelity to the principles of Democracy and expressed his desire for the triumph of Democracy as the savior of the National Government. He deplored the practice now in vogue to ignore the Constitution in order to carry out whatever schemes that the power in control might desire. He referred to the conflict between labor and capital. He made mention of the fact that the thousands of strikers in Pennsylvania were now in a struggle for their rights and against the monopoly of capital, but that when the time comes for voting they would vote with the party that is enslaving them. Among his concluding remarks he said: "I do not like to be an evil prophet, but I contemplate this question with fear." Judge Reagan has figured conspicuously in the most stormy periods of the country's history, and he has never been accused of playing the role of a "calamity howler." What he says with reference to present conditions is not overdrawn in any particular. It is a startling fact, not a fancy. The times are growing more serious than ever before. There is too great a lack of vigilance on the part of the masses—those who are most capable of taking an unbiased view of the situation. The people hold themselves in reserve and fail to act when the opportunity presents itself whilst the petty politicians and financial magnates manipulate affairs.

Ex-Governor Frank R. Lubbock was in attendance and was tendered a sort of ovation by the assembly. Governor Lubbock is fast growing feeble. He is small of physique, but has been large of intellect. Like Judge Reagan, he can not survive many years longer.

Judge Reagan and Governor Lubbock have resided in Texas for about three score years and have served in office nearly as long. During their days of activity they have endured much from the shafts of calumny and malevolence; but now since they voluntarily retire from private life the politicians are glad to honor them. Whilst on this point, it is sad to recall the shameful manner in which Judge Reagan was treated by the State Democratic Convention eight years ago at Dallas, because of his steadfast advocacy of bimetallism. The politicians are glad to worship a statesman when he retires from public life, but when he aspires to public trusts of honor or of emolument he becomes the victim of vituperation and misrepresentation.

THE SECOND DAY.

The second day of the Convention was at times interesting and exciting. An unusual program was carried out. The Committee on Platform and Resolutions announced that it would be unable to report before the afternoon, and in order to expedite business it was decided to transact the other business of the convention first and to take up the Platform Committee's report in the afternoon. This was not a good precedent, for the reason that the several candidates nominated accepted or rather received the honor without knowing the Party's platform and without

candidates are not bound by the provisions of the platform if their convictions are contrary to the platform demands. It is presumed that they will studiously live up to its demands, but such presumption is unsafe when vital issues are involved. It is the duty of the candidates for public trusts of honor or of emolument to go before the people and state their position on the issues. As long as men are candidates for office they are free—and, by the way, it is their duty—to assert their platforms of principles; but when they are nominated and are elected by the people they cease to be principals and become agents for the people, "who are and of right ought to be" the principals. If an officer can not endorse the people's mandates he should resign and give way to some aspirant who can do so without mental reservation. A republican form of government signifies that the officers or representatives are to reflect the people's wishes in all transaction of the government. Officers who refuse to carry out the instructions of their constituents should be branded with the stigma of disgrace. A candidate for a public trust should be much more than a mere place-seeker. Popular elections have something more holy in their object than spoils.

Judge Reagan put S. W. T. Lanham in nomination in a few brief but pointed remarks, and only one speech seconding the nomination was made. There being no other candidate for Governor Lanham's nomination was unanimous. Mr. Lanham was presented to the convention and he was received with the usual demonstrations of applause. He is a splendid speaker. His address was highly enjoyed by the multitude and it reads well in print. It was delivered with much feeling, but it deals wholly in glittering generalities and contains nothing definite or specific, so to speak. It is presumed that he will render the people "an eminently wise and patriotic" administration

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Dr. Peoples, who has been spending some time attending the bedside of his little boy at S. L. Rushing's in Fairview settlement, left this morning for his home in Lawton, Oklahoma.

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John B. Baker, Precinct No. 4's commissioner, has bought the Fish hotel building, which Mr. Baker and family will occupy for the purpose of patronizing the public school at Floydada. Mr. Baker will also keep some boarding pupils of the school. Floydada is ever glad to welcome such a family as Mr. Baker's in her midst.

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S. A. McMannis and daughter, Miss Arvie, of Gage, Oklahoma, are here visiting. They resided at this place until the spring of last year and have many friends who are glad to see them once more.

J. C. Fortenberry handed this paper a dollar with the solemn injunction: "Keep her coming and don't let her stop, for I can't live without her." Upon being asked if his children would cry for "her" if they did not get "her" regularly he answered in the affirmative.

C. B. Thomason has, after casting about for some time prospecting in this country, bought what is known as the Clint Weddington section, two miles south of Floydada. Mr. Thomason's eyes are prophetic enough that he sees an assuring present and a bright future in this country. He and his family will make their permanent home here as soon as they can arrange their affairs in Brown county. In Mr. Thomason Brown county will lose and Floyd county will gain a good citizen.

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Often the over-taxed organs of digestion cry out for help by dyspepsia's pains, nausea, dizziness, headache, liver complaints, bowel disorders. Such troubles call for prompt use of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are gentle, thorough and guaranteed to cure. 25c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

The Best Liniment for Strains.

Mr. F. H. Wells, the merchant at Deer Park, Long Island, N. Y., says "I always recommend Chamberlain's Pain Balm as the best liniment for strains. Used it last winter for a severe lameness in the side, resulting from a strain, and was greatly pleased with the quick relief and cure it effected." For sale by R. C. Scott.

Heaven Help Us

In our troubles, but use Hunt's cure for itch, tetter, ringworm, itching piles and eczema. Guaranteed.

Cresyl... Under... C. Surgin... 100 ga... paint so... Remem... complete... Sorgh... prices at... Co., Lock... Stockme... recent hea... and all kin... fat.

A fine as... of large Mirrors... useful articles at J. G. Rant's Ha... Store. South side... of Square.

Many F... county farmers report that they... make some corn sin... It has been observed before that... this country can endure longer with... than any other farming cou... in the world, and the observation... is a true one.

Attention... is called to the Floydada... Children's... line advertisement, which appears in this issue.

Lincoln... for lice, ticks, screw worms, ma... house flies, lice on chickens, a... as a disinfectant, at R. C. Scott's drug store.

Don't Tell A Lie

When we sa... here is no shaking of bottles, no li... of spoons, no wry faces when... Chamberlain's Laxative Chill Tablets... used. 25c. No cure—no pay.

A large as... of paints just put in stock... the Floydada Lumber Company. If you are thinking of painting your house, barn or fences it will pay you to inspect this company's lines.

If A Man Lie to You.

And say so... the other salve, ointment, lotion, oil or... heged healer is as good as Buchien's Arnica Salve, tell him thirty years of marvelous cures of piles, burns, boils, corns, felons, ulcers, cuts, scalds, bruises and skin eruptions prove it's the best and cheapest. 25c at R. C. Scott's drug store.

Barbecue and Picnic.

This paper is requested to announce that there will be a barbecue and picnic on the Linguish Canyon two miles above the F Ranch headquarters in the north part of the county on Thursday and Friday, August 7 and 8. Plenty of barbecued beef and coffee will be furnished and visitors are requested to carry bread and nienoes, Speaking, broncho basting, tournament riding, etc., will be features of entertainment.

Floydada has had an abundance of preaching and revivals for the past month. First, the Holiness people held a ten days meeting; second, the Methodist people held one of about the same duration; and third, the Baptist people have been conducting a meeting since last Saturday. Much interest is being manifested in the present revival. Messrs. Rattan and Britton of Motley county are conducting the services. Mr. Rattan is well known among the people here. Mr. Britton is a preacher of acknowledged ability.

If you are Expecting to buy Farming Implements, Remember that C. Surginer, the Hardware Man of Floydada, is prepared to supply you with the very best Implements made and sold.

IF YOU ARE WANTING SOMETHING TO WEAR



That Will Fit

and will fit you right, and will fit you to the best advantage—show you off to the best advantage—, you can not do better at any place—as well at many places—than you can in selecting from my splendid stock of Men's and Boys' Clothing.

I have clothing for all sizes and ages—all occupations—and have bought them so that I can undersell others, quality considered. If you want to buy it will pay you to see me. It is always a pleasure to show my goods to you.

A. C. BOWERS, Floydada.

Should you need anything in the undertaker's line call on C. Surginer. He can supply you.

Have you ever seen a sample copy of Mr. Bryan's paper, The Commoner? You can get one at the office of THE HESPERIAN.

A Tripple Hanging

Smith, Brown, and Jones hang their hopes of recovery upon Cheatham's Laxative Chill Tablets. They will be around soon shaking hands with friends. 25c. No cure—no pay.

J. A. and R. L. Beckham, relatives of Judge Duncan, are visiting and prospecting here with a view of locating. They reside in Hopkins county. They ore well pleased with the appearance of this country.

"I am using a box of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and find them the best thing for my stomach I ever used," says T. W. Robinson, justice of the peace, Loomis, Mich. These Tablets not only correct disorders of the stomach but also to the liver and bowels. They are easy to take and pleasant in effect. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by R. C. Scott.

Aunt Lucindy

Always carries Hunt's Lightning Oil around with her, says it's fine for swellings, tooth ache, colic, weak-back, back-ache, cuts, burns, neuralgia, catarrh. Aunt Lucindy has sixty-nine grandchildren and ought to know what she is talking about.

Competitors may blow that they do not sell on time, and, for that reason their customers do not have to pay other people's debts. I will state that I sell as few goods on time as any man in Floyd county, and what goods I do sell on time are the same as the spot cash, for I have been in Floyd county a long time and know whom to credit and whom not to credit and I never fail to collect from all of my customers whom I accommodate for a short time. I can always collect from them without having to dun them thru the columns of the newspapers. I am anxious for you to call and price my goods. My long experience in the mercantile business is an important item for the custom to consider.—A. C. Bowers.

Next week's issue of THE HESPERIAN will contain the last of the editor's series of articles on his trip "From Highland to Lowland," and it will doubtless be refreshing to the readers to learn that no more trips of space-consuming importance, for the year 1902, will be made by the editor. Next week's article will be given in broken doses or in a variety of doses. It will tell of some of the editor's experiences and observations in Galveston, of his meditations and conversations in traveling, and of his visit and view of Austin. He met with some experiences that wonderfully enlightened him as to city customs, and he will not hesitate to present the whole account. It may, in some instances, place him in a ridiculous light, but his experiences will be splendid object lessons to those readers who have never been brought face to face with city airs and customs. It will be instructive and perhaps amusing.

I am making a special drive on my spring goods—calicoes, lawns, domestics, ladies' and men's hose, shoes and summer footwear, in fact everything—at the lowest cash prices of any firm in Floydada. I sell lower than any other house in Floydada. Mark it down.—A. C. Bowers.

Value of Texas Farms.

The actual value of the farming interests of Texas are adequately set forth in a recent bulletin issued by the U. S. Census, which states the value of farm lands and farm property in Texas amounted to \$862,486,273. There were 322,190 farms in the State, covering an area of 125,807,017 acres, or about 80 per cent of the total area of the State. Of the total value of the farming interests, the farm lands themselves were reported as worth \$595,550,802; the improvements, \$100,222,811; implements and machinery, \$30,125,705; and livestock, \$240,576,055. The value of animal products for the year 1899 amounted to \$166,970,711, and of crops \$72,842,533. The total value of farm products for 1899 exceeds that for 1889 by \$123,123,814, or 114 per cent; but a part of this gain is attributed to a more detailed enumeration in 1900 than in 1890.

The bulletin further shows the average size of Texas farms to be 357 acres, but only a little more than 15 per cent of the farm land is improved. The largest body of land in the State classed as a farm embraces 450,000 acres. Of the farm lands of the State 65,472 acres were held by negroes. The total value of the land in the State devoted to livestock is \$391,788,047, and of land devoted to cotton, the next most important agricultural interest, \$381,153,338. The average size of the live stock farm is 2115 acres and the cotton farm, 95 acres.—Literary Bureau Southern Pacific-H. & T. C. R.R.

The Fair at Quanah.

The meeting of the Northwest Texas Fair Association to be held at Quanah August 19 22 will be the best in the history of the Association. Arrangements are already under way, and a number of new and interesting features will be introduced for the entertainment of the people. A splendid racing program has been prepared, there being four races, daily with liberal purses. It is expected that the "Quanah Stake Race," for which a purse of \$400 will be hung up, will bring the cracks from all over the country. It is a running race, three-fourths of a mile. There is also a free-for-all pace or trot for a purse of \$350. All the purses are good. There will also be a novelty race each day, and a balloon ascension with a parachute descent. Some of the popular features of last year's meeting, the ladies' and boys' riding contests and the saddle and harness horse rings, will be retained. Liberal premiums will be given on all kinds of live stock.

It is desired to make this meeting in reality as well as in name a Northwest Texas institution, and it is hoped that all neighboring counties will take an interest. It was decided to hold the meeting earlier this year on account of it being more of an idle time than later on when fall work has begun.

From Highland to Lowland.

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because he promises to discharge his duties to the utmost of his ability. It was an opportune time to pay Judge Reagan a deserved tribute and Lanham did so with becoming grace. About all that characterized Lanham's speech was its euphoniousness and even tenor.

Mr. Lanham has always represented his constituents ably in Congress and he will doubtless discharge his gubernatorial duties ably, patriotically, acceptably.

The names of the other candidates for State offices were presented and voted on at one time, and all were endorsed by acclamation. As stated before, the nominations of candidates for State offices were merely formal, as there was only one aspirant for each position before the convention.

After the nominations for State offices were declared, the Convention proceeded to the election of the Chairman of the Democratic Executive Committee, which was disposed of before the Convention adjourned for noon. Of the chairmanship contest I shall write under another caption below.

CHAIRMANSHIP CONTEST.

In Democratic State Conventions the election of the Chairman of the Executive Committee is usually an affair of little interest, but the Galveston Convention was a unique occasion. It was something of a reversal of all preceding conventions.

The name of James B. Wells was placed in nomination to succeed himself by a number of wind-jammers. Walter P. Blake presented the name of Joseph E. Cockrell in a forcible speech. The Wells contingency attempted to prevent Blake from delivering his speech by frequent and constant yells, but Blake is a man of too much determination to surrender at the clamor of any opposition that may confront him in any laudable undertaking. In reply to frequent

attempts to "sit down" he kept from making my speech, for I am in a Democratic Convention." Mr. Blake delivered his speech amid much confusion and under exasperating circumstances. A number of orators had to "blow off their bazoo," and some did so without being heard. For a brief period the confusion was such that an on-looker might be led to dub the assembly a congregation of huddlums. There are always on every occasion some persons who disregard rules of decorum.

The issue between Cockrell and Wells was over the attitude of each towards the demand for uniform primary elections—for all counties of the State to hold their primary elections on the same date. Wells was Chairman of the Executive Committee and lent his influence against the holding of uniform primaries, whilst Cockrell as a member of the Committee pressed the demand for the reform, and in that way he was groomed as a candidate to succeed Wells. Wells, however, came over to Cockrell's position; but inasmuch as Wells had been "weighed in the balances and found wanting" on one occasion there were many, like myself, who felt that Wells should be retired and replaced by one who had been in thorough harmony with the popular demand for uniform primaries. The supporters of Cockrell also held that inasmuch as it had not been the custom for a Chairman of the Executive Committee to serve longer than two years—which is a good custom—it was but proper for Wells to retire.

The speech making was ended by a motion to ballot on the contest. This was the only question settled by a ballot by counties. Floyd County's one vote was cast for Cockrell, and while it was in the minority Floyd County has no apology to offer for the course pursued. If it was to do over Floyd County's one vote would be registered as it was before.

At the conclusion of the balloting Mr. Cockrell made a motion that the nomination of Wells be made unanimous, after which he proceeded to explain the part he played in the contest. He thought it was well for the sup-

porters of Wells to know the facts and he presented them without if or but. He was perfectly serene and composed while addressing the convention and uttered some truths hard for the supporters of Wells to swallow. He said that he had been opposed in his effort to have uniform primaries by every official in the State administration from a convict guard up to the chief executive, to which charge Governor Sayers dissented by shaking his head vigorously. He had never sought office and for that reason he could speak plainly. Upon being asked by some one what he was running for anyway Mr. Cockrell retorted that he was not running for anything, but if he were he guessed he would get permission from the political bosses. His utterances sounded like shot and shell. They were thunderbolts.

During my stay in Galveston it was my pleasure to cultivate the acquaintance of Mr. Cockrell. I found him to be most pleasant and agreeable. He is plain and positive. He is not in any sense a place-seeker. He is too honest for that.

PLATFORM DISCUSSIONS.

The consideration of the Platform Committee's report was the last transaction of the convention. There were some minority reports which elicited some discussions. That on the child's labor plank was of absorbing importance. Conspicuous among those favoring "legislation that would prevent the employment of children under 12 years of age in factories using machinery" was Judge A. W. Terrell of Austin and Judge Edward Gray of Dallas. Lieutenant Governor George T. Jester spoke against the minority report which was surprising to me. But when the vote was taken the minority plank gained a telling victory, and Floyd County's one vote was on the side of the children of tender years. There was a minority report against the adoption of the State bank plank, which was submitted by W. P. Bl...

al banks of issue the plank prevailed as submitted by Mr. Blake. The chartering of State banks of deposit and discount will reduce the number of National banks. National banks have the power of issuing money and thereby places in the hands of a comparatively few persons the power of controlling the circulation and distribution of the money. State banks have not the power of issuing money.

There was also some discussion over a resolution introduced by the laboring men deploring the interference of State institutions of learning and manual training with the rights of striking laborers. This resolution was the outgrowth of the action of the acting president of the A. & M. College in sending students of that institution to take the place of the strikers in the I. & G. N. Railway shops at Palestine a few weeks ago. Mr. Curtis, the defeated candidate for Railroad Commissioner, made a vigorous and convincing speech in behalf of the resolution. I must say that Mr. Curtis in his effort in behalf of the laboring men of Texas won my respect and admiration. I had always before looked upon Mr. Curtis as one who would oppose the best interests of the masses, as I had understood him to be the corporations' candidate. In listening to Mr. Curtis' speech I learned something new. Never before had I heard of strikers being commonly known as "scabs." My ignorance of the term is due to the fact that I have for a number of years "lived" close to nature" and far from the "madding throng." Farmer Shaw interrupted Mr. Curtis by suggesting that the resolution was too mild and that it should demand the removal of the president of the Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Farmer Shaw offered to amend the plank, which pertains to National issues, by adding some expressions touching upon the financial question. When Farmer Shaw stated that it was with the greatest modesty that he offered an amendment to a Democratic platform a laugh went up from

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THE PLATFORM IN BRIEF.

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It declares its faith in the principles of the Kansas City platform; commends the Senators and Representatives; favors the improvement of our public roads; favors the enactment of laws providing for the employment of children under 12 years of age in factories using machinery; favors the enactment of the present uniform text-book law, which expires in 1908; favors generous dealings with all State educational institutions and demands that the public schools be taken out of the domain of politics; requests the establishment of a department of Agricultural and Mechanical training be introduced into State normal schools, public free schools and the State Orphan's Home; favors a broad and enlightened policy towards capital and corporations doing business in the State; favors the well-considered riparian law of the State; favors the State; favors the

a Constitutional amendment authorizing the charter of State banks of deposit and discount; demands a law prohibiting the employment of children under 12 years of age in factories using machinery; endorses the purpose of the Texas World's Fair Commission; recommends the passage of a law that will prevent the evils of issuing free passes by railway companies; recommends legislation that will correct the evils of the dismissal of subordinate officers without cause; demands a law which will regulate primaries for the nomination of National, State and District officers so that such nominations shall be invalid unless held on the same day in every county in the State; declares unqualifiedly for uniform primaries and instructs the State Democratic Committee to call said primaries for the next general election on the second Saturday in July, 1904; favors the remission of taxes due the State from the County of Galveston for a period of fifteen years for the up-building of the great seaport of Texas; and declares a platform pledge to be a covenant with the people and that it is the duty of every Democratic nominee to support and urge the fulfillment of each plank.

The platform, as a whole, meets my highest expectations, considering the circumstances. It endorses the Kansas City platform on National issues, and that was what I was most interested in. On National issues it makes special mention of the dangers of imperialism, centralization, trusts, monopolies, mergers, unjust taxation, and kindred evils; but it fails to mention the dangers of the single gold standard, which was supremely important, inasmuch as the other dangers were mentioned. Bimetallism is essentially a Democratic principle and tradition, and the Democratic party can never depart from bimetallism without being compelled to return to it for renewed life and vigor.

As to the State's policy towards capital and corporations I believe in welcoming them if they come within the State's borders to do business, but when they attempt to transcend

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their legal rights they should be put on a level with other violators of the laws. Some platform expressions or declarations are rather tame, but it is especially clear and emphatic on the demand for uniform primaries and some other needed reforms.

YOUR READING For 1902

For the benefit of readers of THE HESPERIAN who wish to subscribe for other periodicals in connection with THE HESPERIAN the following combination offer is made:

Thrice-a-Week World,

Regular Price, \$1.00
With The Hesperian, 1.70

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Regular price, \$1.00
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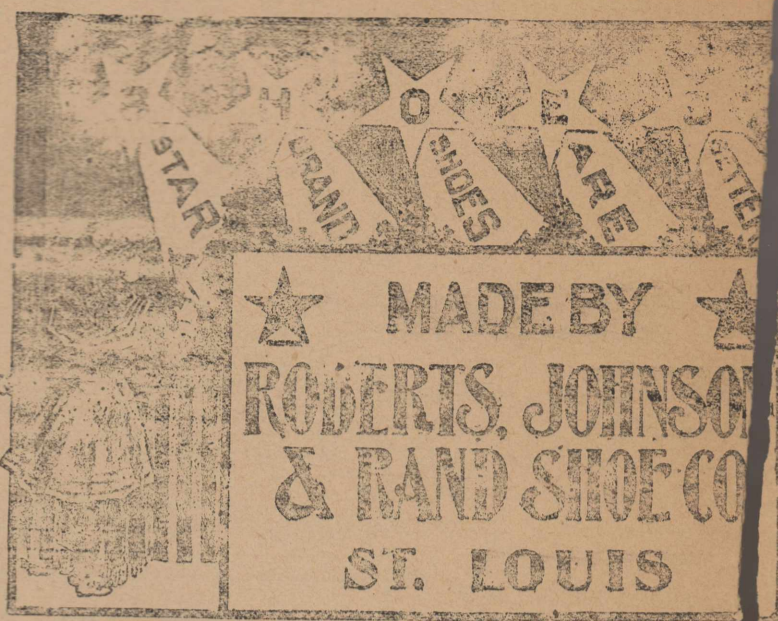
Stage leaves Childress at 5 a. m.; Floydada, 5 a. m.; arriving at Childress at 8 p. m.; Floydada, 9 p. m.; same day. Leaves Matador at 9:30 a. m. and arrives at Matador at 4 p. m.

Cary Griggs writes this paper that he will return to Floyd county about September 1 from Puerto, New Mexico, and will remain among the people of Floyd county in the interest of his candidacy for County Treasurer.

L. T. Pate bought a half section of the G. W. Darden place, three miles northeast of Floydada. Mr. Pate and family left Tuesday for their home in Parker county and will move to their Floyd county home next October. It is understood that Mr. Darden will not leave the county, but will seek a location where he will have more range.

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Floydada Lumber Company has in stock a lot of shingles for the trade. They are of the best grades and at prices to win the trade.

Announcement Column.

THE HESPERIAN will announce candidates under this head at the following rates:

District Judge	\$10.00
District Attorney	5.00
County Offices	5.00
Precinct Offices	2.50

THE HESPERIAN is authorized to announce the following candidates for the respective offices, election November 4, 1902:

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CHAS. E. COOMBS.
JO A. P. DICKSON,
J. M. MORGAN.

For District Attorney, 50th District.
R. M. ELLERD.

For County Judge,
ARTHUR B. DUNCAN.

For County and District Clerk.
HOMER HOWARD.
U. S. WILKINSON.

For Sheriff and Tax Collector.
C. F. RAMSEY.
E. C. HENRY.
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