K. T. GRAND COMMANDERY.

They Elect Officers and Will Meet Next at Dallas.

L. T. NOYES GRAND COMMANDER.

The Appointment of Committees and Other Business—Social Reception Last Night at the Temple.

The second day's session of the forty-third annual conclave of the Right Eminent Grand Commandery, Knights Templars, of Texas, commenced at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. The following report from the committee on credentials was read:

To the R. E. Grand Commandery, K. T., of Texas.

Houston, Texas, April 22, A. D. 1897, A. O. 779.—Your committee on credentials would report that they find present and entitled to seats in this Grand Commandery at this the Forty-third Grand annual conclave, as follows:

Officers: Sir Knight J. F. Brinkerhoff, R. E. grand commander; Sir Knight L. T. Noyes, V. E. deputy grand commander; Sir Knight A. A. Johnston, eminent grand generalissimo; Sir Knight F. T. Morey, eminent grand captain general; Sir Knight J. C. Carpenter, eminent grand prelate; Sir Knight A. R. Howard, eminent senior grand warden; Sir Knight F. M. Gilbough, eminent junior grand warden; Sir Knight J. C. Kidd, eminent grand treasurer; Sir Knight G. A. Gibbons, eminent grand recorder pro tem.; Sir Knight J. F. Zurn, eminent grand standard bearer; Sir Knight W. H. Bell, eminent grand sword bearer; Sir Knight Edwin Chamberlain, eminent grand warden; Sir Knight T. F. Harwood, eminent grand captain of the guard.

Past Grand Commanders: R. M. Klein of Houston, T. B. Benton of El Paso, R. S. Thomas of Houston, A. C. Lyons of Houston, L. M. Oppenheimer of Austin, James F. Miller of Galveston, N. W. Hunter of Palestine, T. J. Pender of Houston, J. O. Johnson, [illegible], D. C. Proctor of Cuero, E. J. Fry of Marshall and John Maddox of Austin.

Representatives of other Grand Commanderies near the Grand Commandery of Texas:

Alabama, L. M. Oppenheimer, Connecticut, James F. Miller, California, Chas. S. Morse, District of Columbia, John O. Johnson, Florida, L. T. Fuller, Georgia, James Garnett, Illinois, A. S. Kimbarker, Indiana, Territory, W. H. Bell, Iowa, A. R. Howard, Kansas, T. M. Gilbough, Louisiana, J. C. Carpenter, Maine, G. G. Rogers, Maryland, J. F. Fry, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, J. C. Kidd, Missouri, N. E. Gregory, Nebraska, N. W. Hunter, New Hampshire, John Holwerdy, New Jersey, R. V. Dixon, North Dakota, W. E. Hall, Oregon, F. M. Ryan, Pennsylvania, F. B. Stone, South Dakota, J. P. Bonsteel, Vermont, T. T. Lockwood, Virginia, Prosper, West Virginia, E. J. Fry, Wisconsin, H. Bradley, Wyoming, A. A. Jenkins.

The following past eminent commanders:

[illegible] Palestine No. 1—F. N. G. Bakr, J. M. Mills, C. W. Harper, J. Clark.

[illegible] No. 2—T. A. Pope, A. S. Richardson, T. F. Lockett, S. M. Williams, W. H. Cook, J. C. Kidd, J. C. Pope, A. H. Walker, S. D. Moore, H. H. Halbrook, G. C. Tyler, A. H. Cole, J. S. Wilson.

[illegible] No. 3—N. W. Hunter, A. H. Rose.

Galveston No. 4—W. H. Bell, J. R. Beall, E. F. Spencer, W. L. Calhoun, John G. Johnson, John M. Duncan, S. S. Shackleford, Tom Murrah, R. L. Graves.

Dallas No. 6—A. A. Johnston, John G. Hunter, A. V. Lane.

San Antonio No. 7—Edwin Chamberlain, E. S. Morse, C. F. Cotton.

Austin No. 8—L. T. Fuller, Tom Hill, Thomas Garrett, L. M. Oppenheimer, H. S. Stoddard.

Waco No. 9—J. F. Brinkerhoff, H. O. Hopwood.

Galveston No. 10—T. T. Harwood, J. P. Miller, B. F. Proctor.

Indivisible Friends No. 11—J. C. Carpenter, Lee Totten.

Sectored in Granville No. 14—F. C. Hand, James Garrett.

Cuero No. 15—F. B. Revere, E. J. Fry.

Fannin No. 17—D. C. Proctor, V. S. Friend, Jesse Cole, C. G.

El Paso No. 18—B. E. Crosbet, W. H. Bell.

Worth No. 19—T. E. Grammer, John F. Zurn.

De Molay No. 20—W. H. Goolsby, J. P. Reese.

Brownwood No. 21—B. F. Carter.

Belton No. 22—K. T. Saunders, J. L. Wilson, W. E. Hall.

Bellville No. 23—W. T. Melton.

Trinity No. 25—R. E. Charles Hazmund, A. T. Anderson.

Melita No. 30—J. L. Patrick.

Big Springs No. 31—F. O. Vaughan.

Malta No. 32—D. H. Randolph.

Representatives of Commanderies:

San Felipe de Austin No. 1—I. M. Cline, E. C., William M. Scrimgeour, proxy for Gen.; Charles M. Gill, C. G.

Rathven No. 2—A. K. Taylor, E. C.; W. N. Kidd, Gen.; T. W. Crosan, C. G.

Palestine No. 3—Frank Hoffmann, E. C.; J. M. McMillan, proxy for Gen.; Leland Douthit, C. G.

Colorado No. 4—W. G. Bell, E. C.; C. J. Johnston, Gen.; Milton Morris, C. G.

Dallas No. 6—J. W. Polk, E. C.; F. H. Shumate, C. G., and proxy for Gen.

San Antonio No. 7—C. F. Cotton, E. C.; R. L. Ball, Gen.; C. F. Cotton, proxy for C. G.

Ivanhoe No. 8—John Q. Tabor, E. C., and proxy for C. G.; A. M. Rhode, Gen.

Paris No. 9—W. R. Harris, proxy for E. C.

Waco No. 10—Charles Banister, proxy for E. C.; J. B. Sawtelle, proxy for Gen.; L. C. Puckett, proxy for C. G.

Gonzales No. 11—T. F. Harwood, Gen., and proxy for E. C. and C. G.

Cleburne No. 12—H. A. Bourland, proxy for E. C., Gen. and C. G.

Indivisible Friends No. 13—Lee Totten, E. C., and proxy for Gen. and C. G.

Bertrand du Guesclin No. 14—F. C. Hand, E. C.; H. C. Talbot, proxy for Gen.; John H. Rice, proxy for C. G.

Brenham No. 15—A. C. Murray, proxy for E. C. and C. G.

Gray No. 16—E. J. Fry, proxy for E. C., Gen. and C. G.

Fannin No. 17—George Stormfeltz, E. C.; William Thomas, Gen.

El Paso No. 18—Hanan C. Miles, E. C. and proxy for Gen.; W. E. Race, proxy for C. G.

Worth No. 19—E. H. Keller, proxy for E. C. and C. G.

De Molay No. 20—W. H. Goolsby, proxy for E. C.; J. P. Regan, proxy for Gen. and C. G.

Belton No. 22—W. P. Flewellen, E. C.; H. C. Surghnor, proxy for C. G.; T. W. Cochran, proxy for Gen.

Denison No. 24—J. E. Howard, E. C. and proxy for Gen. and C. G.

Ballinger No. 28—W. T. Melton, proxy for E. C., Gen. and C. G.

Trinity No. 29—J. W. Thompson, E. C.; A. T. Anderson, Gen.; R. W. Brahan, C. G.

Melita No. 30—J. L. Patrick, proxy for E. C.

Big Springs No. 31—F. O. Vaughan, proxy for E. C., Gen. and C. G.

Malta No. 32—D. H. Randolph, E. C.; H. Deutz, C. G.

Very respectfully submitted,

A. L. Steele,
R. O. Rounsavall,
H. C. Surghnor.

The committee on time and place, consisting of one representative from each commandery represented, was appointed, and reported in favor of Dallas. The time fixed was April 13, 1898.

The time for the annual election having arrived, the election was held and resulted as follows:

Sir L. T. Noyes of Houston, R. E. grand commander; Sir A. A. Johnston of Dallas, V. E. deputy grand commander; Sir F. T. Morey of Belton, E. grand generalissimo; Sir A. R. Howard of Palestine, E. grand captain general; Sir J. C. Carpenter of Sherman, E. grand prelate; Sir F. M. Gilbough of Galveston, E. senior grand warden; Sir J. F. Zurn of Fort Worth, E. junior grand warden; Sir R. M. Klein of Houston E. grand treasurer; Sir J. C. Kidd of Houston, E. grand recorder.

The installation of officers was made the special order for 4 o'clock.

An appropriation was made for the procuring of jewels for five past grand commanders.

The Grand Commandery then adjourned to meet again at 2:30 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

When the Grand Commandery met at 2:30 o'clock the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of the Grand Commandery be and hereby are tendered to the rector of Christ church, the choirmaster, organist and members of the choir for the very acceptable and impressive manner in which the devotional services were rendered on yesterday, and be it further

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Commandery are hereby tendered to the ladies of Houston for their hospitality and courteous attention to the members of the Grand Commandery and their ladies, and especially for the tasteful and elegant manner in which the rooms of the Temple have been ornamented and fitted up for the occasion of our reception. And be it further

Resolved, That the grand recorder be instructed to send a copy to the rector of Christ church and furnish copies of these resolutions to the press for publication.

The grand commander-elect made the following appointments:

Sir R. H. Bell, R. grand standard bearer; Sir Edwin Chamberlain, E. grand sword bearer; Sir T. F. Harwood, E. grand captain of the guard; Sir Will E. Hase, E. grand captain of the guard.

The officers, together with the elected at the morning session, were duly installed by Past Grand Commander H. B. Stoddard, retiring officer, and Past Grand Commander T. T. Lockett, marshal.

At the conclusion of the installation services the grand commander announced the following standing committees:

On reports—J. C. Kidd, H. B. Charles Hazmund, A. H. Monk, J. P. Regan, J. G. Tyler.

On finance—L. T. Fuller, A. V. Lane, N. E. Hall, J. L. Patrick.

On grievances and appeals—D. C. Proctor, F. J. Fry, Jesse McDonald.

On foreign correspondence—R. B. Beall, John J. F. Miller, James Garrett, L. M. Oppenheimer, F. T. Brickell.

On foreign correspondence—R. M. Klein, R. W. Brahan, Reed Bourgeault, W. V. H. Wilson.

On jurisprudence—J. C. Kidd, J. S. Wilson, R. H. Cole.

On [illegible]—James F. Miller, R. H. Harper, T. F. Harwood, J. F. Brinkerhoff.

[illegible] was appointed a special committee on Templar history for the right eminent grand commander.

The commandery made an appropriation of $[illegible] for the Masonic Home and orphans' home.

[illegible] were appointed to report in Dallas Tuesday, April 13, 1897.

The Mystic Temple, Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, will meet today and tomorrow.

Knights Templars Reception.

The first thing which impressed the visitor at the reception given to the Knights Templars last night in the Masonic building was the immense crowd and the elegance of the company. After a tour of the hall, however, the beauty of the decorations could be grasped. Those which have prevailed through the week were enhanced by quantities of fresh vines and flowers and a striking arrangement of fabric, a German cross of flowing red bulbs, a Maltese cross of red, white, blue and yellow and at the back of the room the words "Welcome" in large white letters all shone. Large mirrors with candelabra standing before them and vases of flowers, covered the whole. The ceiling was especially handsome in decoration.

The hall was crowded to the utmost capacity and a reception room. The ladies were either in full dress or in fancy evening costumes and this feature surpassed elegance in the season. Indeed there was such a bewilderment of decorations, handsome dresses and beauty accentuated by the uniforms of the Sir Knights that it is impossible to give a description which is at all adequate.

A fine orchestra discoursed music, while lemonade was served in the entrance hall. A great many of Houston's society people were in evidence and of course a large number of visitors.

The dining room was the gem of the evening. Here the most lavish decorations were used with very beautiful effect.

The supper room was used for the occasion embellished with masses of smilax in which red flowers were interwoven. Roses and rows of red Japanese lanterns and umbrellas were used, while underneath were placed small tables covered with drawn work napkins and daintily set for the serving of delicious refreshments.

The central table was especially handsome with its burden of red and green cakes and bonbons. Mention must also be made of the goat, who chewed at the decorations peacefully in his tent at the end of the hall.

Supper was announced at 10 o'clock, 150 being seated and served at once until all had been refreshed.

Although such a very large company, there was no flaw in the affair in any particular and everything was very elegant.

Following were the committees, to whom much of the success is due:

Committee on decoration—Mrs. Dow, chairman; Mrs. Ford, Miss Taylor, Miss Noyes, Miss Watson, Mrs. Kirby, Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Roberts, Miss Ford, Miss Harrison, Mrs. Gibbons, Mrs. Bloxon, Miss Elgin, Miss Baker, Mrs. Stewart, Mrs. McDonald, Mrs. Lovett, Miss Richardson, Miss Gibbons, Mrs. Drew, Mrs. Fox, Miss Cleveland, Miss Lubbock, Mrs. Cooley, Mrs. Burns, Mrs. Coyle, Miss Smith Ellis, Miss Coyle, Miss Wilson.

Committee on supper—Mrs. Ashe, Mrs. Beard, Mrs. Rothwell, Mrs. Wall, Miss Lubbock, Miss Shackford, Mrs. Cade, Mrs. Hare, Mrs. Ford, Mrs. S. McNeill, chairman; Mrs. Quattlebaum, Mrs. Curtin, Mrs. Humphreysville, Miss Elgin, Miss Tod, Mrs. Buse, Mrs. P. A. Rice, Mrs. Mitchell, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Michaux, Mrs. Crawford, Miss Cronin, Miss Milby, Mrs. Harris, Mrs. H. C. House, Mrs. Ed Cushing.

Most of these ladies, in addition to a score of others, formed a reception committee, while the Houston Sir Knights were offering a cordial greeting to every one. Mr. D. W. Michaux was at the door with genial courtesy to all and within were hundreds of plumed Knights with their fair ladies.

It was a night of such brilliancy and elegance as Houston will not soon forget. The Knights Templars know how to give entertainments and they gave one last night that was an unqualified success.

A WOMAN SOLDIER.

FIRST FEMALE EVER ELECTED MEMBER OF THE G. A. R.

Mrs. Sarah Edmonds Seelye Becomes a Member of McClellan Post of the G. A. R.

George B. McClelland Post, Grand Army of the Republic, of this city, bears the distinction of having the only woman veteran member in the United States. She is Mrs. Sarah Edmonds Seelye of La Porte, Texas, and she served as a private in the Second Michigan infantry. She has her discharge papers intact, and is enjoying a $12 pension from the government every month.

In the army she was known as "Frank Thompson." Her real name was Sarah E. Edmonds.

Yesterday morning, with all the gusto incident to the conference of the initial degree, Mrs. Seelye accepted the muster, and a moment later was known as Comrade Mrs. Seelye.

"FRANKLIN THOMPSON."
2nd Mich. Reg't Vol. Inf.

Mrs. Sarah Edmonds Seelye as She Appears at Home.

W. T. Allen of Houston also took unto himself membership of the post, but that ceremony paled into insignificance beside the other one.

Novelists have often portrayed feminine characters as being in the front rank, receiving bullets of an enemy, and subsequent recognition from their country for deeds of valor.

In the case of Mrs. Seelye it was no whim of a word painter, but a stern reality. She is the author of the book "Nurse and Spy," thousands of copies of which have been sold over the country. Her husband is L. H. Seelye, who is a well known and respected contractor of La Porte, to which place he moved from Fort Scott, Kansas, about three years ago.

Mrs. Seelye nee Miss Edmonds, alias Frank Thompson, is now a woman between 45 and 50. When a girl she ran away from her home to escape a marriage set of her own choice, assuming male attire and the name of "Frankie Thompson." She commenced her romantic career as a book agent. She joined the army as a member of the Second Michigan infantry, and for two years served in the civil war.

She speaks unreservedly and fluently of the struggles of girlhood while buffeting a cold world that compelled her at an early age to go out from home and kindred to seek an honorable livelihood. Of the toil and hardships that knit her frame, and of the developed self-reliance and exalted courage, and of the inspirations that kindled in a noble heart the fires of patriotism and love of justice that culminated at the breaking out of the civil war in the liberty loving Sarah E. Edmonds casting off the habiliments of her sex, donning a suit of blue, and under the alias of "Frank Thompson" and under the starry folds of "Old Glory" offering her services and her life, if needs be, on the altar of her adopted country.

She depicts in a graphic manner the weary march, the lonely picket, the horrors of battle, the agony of the wounded, the prayers of the dying, the glories of victory and the blessings of peace, as seen by the sympathetic eye and recorded by the gentle hand of a woman. She mentions, in a modest way, that after retiring from the army, and while recovering from sickness induced by exposure and hardships incident to army life, she retreated to a rural town in Ohio, where she wrote her popular book.

RELIGIOUS REVIVALS

At the Washington Street and the Tabernacle Churches.

The meetings are continuing with increased interest and attendance. Rev. O. T. Hotchkiss preached one of his usual powerful Gospel discourses last night, taking for his text one of the beatitudes from Christ's sermon on the mount, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God." Matt. v, 8. He dwelt at some length upon the fact that all the world recognizes the truth of this beatitude, that the pure in heart are the happiest persons living, that infidel, sinner, Jew and Gentile, all creeds, acknowledge this one great truth which Christ taught and urged upon his hearers the great necessity of obtaining pure hearts. At the close many came forward to the altar, expressing their determination to obtain a closer acquaintance with God, and more fully consecrate their lives to His service.

Mr. Hotchkiss will preach again tonight. Services commence at 7:45 p. m. Rev. J. W. Horn cordially invites all to attend and will make you welcome. A good live song and experience meeting is held before preaching. Christian workers are specially invited to come and help.

The revival services at the Tabernacle Methodist church, corner Polk and Caroline streets, are being conducted by the pastor, Rev. J. B. Sears. The congregations are fairly good, and the interest is on the increase. Services every afternoon at 4 o'clock and at 8 o'clock in the evening. Everybody is invited.

A DECLARATION

By the Harris County People's Political Party.

The executive committee of the people's party for Harris county has made the following declarations by resolution:

Whereas, It has come to our notice that Marion Butler seeks to still the voice and throttle the will of the party by refusing to call the National executive committee together in conference with the Reform Press association, as becomes his duty as chairman of such committee; therefore be it

Resolved, That we, the executive committee of Harris county, in meeting assembled, do hereby condemn his (Marion Butler's) action and recommend his resignation as chairman be requested.

Resolved further, That we declare ourselves as being opposed to any and all fusions in the future, but to adhere strictly to the principles of the Omaha platform and thereby remain straight in the middle of the road; and be it further

Resolved, That we favor and recommend the addition of the initiative and referendum and the imperative mandate to the Omaha platform.

It was ordered that hereafter the chairman shall call no more mass meetings, but that the party in Harris county shall be managed by its executive board.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Colonel James Garrity of Corsicana is in the city.

Hon. Edwin Waller, mayor of Quintana, is in the city.

Mr. Wm. Huvlighouser of Kerrville was in the city yesterday.

Mr. W. Miller of Navasota was in the city taking in San Jacinto day.

Mrs. J. W. Vosberg has as guests Mrs. E. W. Nash and Mrs. A. M. Morgan of Dallas.

Mr. R. S. Rather, one of the enterprising business men of Huntsville, is visiting the city during the Masonic meeting.

Messrs. A. B. Woodall and C. O. Somma, members of the Tom Hamilton Guards, from Huntsville, paid The Post a call yesterday.

Dr. John McLendon of Calvert, Texas, is in the city, having brought down a young lady patient to have a surgical operation performed on her face.

Mr. Fred Mayfield, editor of the Huntsville Enterprise and a member of the Tom Hamilton Guards, was an appreciated caller at the office of The Post yesterday.

Cadet W. K. Noble of the Agricultural and Mechanical college, after participating in the sham battle at Forest park on the 21st instant, will remain until Sunday morning, April 26, before returning to college.

Mr. Harry Fisher, who has been down on the Brazos river, running his steamboat, Horatio, between Galveston and Columbia, came up from Columbia yesterday and will spend a few days in the city with his parents at 2112 Carolina street.

W. F. McFarland, attorney at law; Robert Martin, stockman, and C. C. Hill, lumberman, all of Huntsville, are in the city attending the various festivities. They were shown the city yesterday by Mr. Updike.

Rev. George G. Woodbridge and Captain D. D. Pedrick of this city are commissioners from the Presbytery of Brazos to the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church, which meets at Charlotte, N. C., May 20 to 31.

James W. Winters of Big Foot, Texas, who has been renewing old time acquaintances of the days of Sam Houston, with whom he saw service at San Jacinto, paid The Post a pleasant call. He carried a cane made from the grand limb, a tree that grows on the Rio Grande. Around the cane proper is coiled an enormous rattler, whose head comes to the top of the handle. An elegant scandi on the handle drinking from a barrel of 1881 whisky.

Mr. A. V. Moore of Hallsville, Texas, is one of the San Jacinto veterans who attended the reunion at Houston this week. Mr. Moore is an honored citizen of Lavaca county, but lived in Houston when he first came to Texas. Mr. Moore was born in Alabama in 1824 and came to Houston with his brother, Mark Moore, in 1839. Young Moore's first work was on the old Houston Telegraph. He was afterward engaged in steamboating on the bayou.

Captain John W. Parks of Dallas, a past commander of the G. A. R., is in attendance at the encampment. He is a prominent candidate for the position of United States marshal of railroads and is strongly indorsed by the Grand Army and the ex-Union soldiers. He is an experienced railroad man, of over twenty years service with the Texas and Pacific railway. He was an officer in a Pennsylvania regiment several years and six months and is deservedly popular in Texas and throughout the country. Besides being high in the organization's council, Mr. Parks was commander of the Texas department several years ago.

CITY BREVITIES.

The Light Guard entertained their lady friends last night with an enjoyable card party.

There will be a cake sale for the benefit of Trinity mission on Saturday, April 24, at Stuart's drug store.

The ladies of Shearn church tendered a very pleasant reception last night to the pastor, Rev. Seth Ward.

A trolley ride will be given to the visiting lady delegates by the Woman's Relief Corps at 2 p. m. The start will be made from their hall at the Mason block.

Mrs. W. B. Ransone of 910 Crawford street will give a reception from 5 to 7 today for the Daughters of the Republic and Mrs. Dora Fowler Arthur of Austin. No cards.

J. R. Sovereign, the grand master workman of the Knights of Labor, has notified Mr. John F. Y. Ivy of the Houston Labor Council that he has arranged to be in Houston and participate in the next Labor day festivities.

One of the buildings in course of construction in Houston is the Delphian Faith Home. The association which has charge of this work must have funds in order to finish the building. To raise money for this purpose the ladies have planned an excursion to the San Jacinto battleground tomorrow, Saturday, April 24. The steamer Eugene, with a large barge, will leave the foot of San Jacinto street at 8:45 a. m. and return at 6:30 p. m.

Building Permits.

The following building permits were issued yesterday:

J. L. Mitchell, stable on Chartres street, $25.

Mrs. Kate Pennington, shed on Bayou street, $15.

Mrs. J. Newton, repairs to fence on Crawford street, $35.

Lee Craft, wood house on Dallas street, $15.

Jacob Hornberger, interior repairs to building on Franklin street, $50.

C. Thompson, bath house, lot 7, block 26, Nobles addition, $25.

Criminal District Court.

The following business was disposed of in the criminal district court yesterday, Judge E. D. Cavin presiding:

Garfield Griffin, burglary and theft; nol pros for want of evidence necessary to convict.

J. J. Taylor, cattle theft; not guilty.

This court will not meet again till Monday.

TRY IT YOURSELF.

The new machine St Pachard's Troy Laundry uses for turning collars makes it impossible to break edges. 912 Prairie avenue 'Phone 332.

TRIP DOWN THE BAYOU

THE HARDWARE MEN TAKE THE KANSAS LEGISLATORS.

Down the Bayou to the Bay Giving Them a View of Houston's Waterway to the Gulf.

The legislative committee composed of Senators L. R. King of Winfield and George Campbell of Oswego and Representatives W. F. Brown of Pratt, G. W. Johnson of Seneca and Ed T. Hackney of Wellington, named by the governor of Kansas to investigate the outlet for Kansas products through gulf ports, arrived in the city yesterday morning and through the courtesy of the Wholesale Hardware Men's association were taken down the bayou. They returned in the evening.

The trip to Morgan's Point was truly a delightful affair.

The steamer Eugene was engaged for the occasion and in spite of a high tide and brisk breeze from the south good time was made to the Point, where a fish dinner was served by Mrs. Allen, which was faultless in every detail. Following the feast were a number of speeches, proving the hardware men to be clever in humor as well as thoroughly versed in trade statistics.

The Post representative will not particularize, for each speech was complete within itself, as none failed to speak in the most enthusiastic terms of Houston's highway to the sea. Buffalo bayou, always delightful, was particularly enjoyable yesterday and each gentleman and lady on the trip will in future be enthusiastic advocates of deep water to Houston.

The Kansas legislators were more than delighted to take this ride and their report to the people of Kansas will be favorable.

On the return trip a brief stop was made at San Jacinto battlegrounds and souvenirs from this sacred spot were carried home by a majority of the visitors.

Among those present were: James Maroney, president, Dallas; F. A. Heitmann, first vice president, Houston; Henry Deutz, second vice president, Laredo; Robert F. Bell, secretary and treasurer, Weatherford; A. P. Duncan, Waco; W. L. Sanford, Sherman; George Trumbull, Dallas; Robert Eikel, Waco; J. C. Bering, H. W. Cortes, Houston; R. W. Shapleigh, St. Louis, representing the National Hardware Jobbers' association; J. J. Mandelbaum, representing the Southern Hardware association; J. T. Warner, St. Louis; J. P. McManus, Consolidated Steel and Iron company; Banks Rucker, Byron Willis Mechanical Rubber company, Cleveland, Ohio; Tom Richardson, Captain and Mrs. George C. Felton and their guests, Senator and Mrs. O. K. Gaymon, Breckenridge, Colo.

The Kansas legislative committee are men of influence in the Sunflower State. They represent all three of the political parties and are determined to secure the advantages the short haul to deep water on the gulf should secure to the producers of the great corn and wheat growing commonwealth. It is the intention of this committee to investigate all the outlets and Houston as well as Texas people can rest assured that they were profoundly impressed with the great importance of making Buffalo bayou an outlet to the sea for the deepest draught vessels.

The trip was a complete success. Refreshments were served going and returning and the local hardware men proved themselves accomplished entertainers.

THE STATE CAPITAL.

QUARANTINE PROCLAMATION.

Austin, Texas, April 22.—The governor issued the following today:

Be it known that I, C. A. Culberson, governor of the State of Texas, by authority invested in me by the laws of this State, do hereby declare that quarantine shall be established on the gulf coast and Rio Grande border on and after May 1, 1897, and that it shall continue till closed by proclamation.

Said quarantine shall apply to all vessels, persons or things coming from places infected by yellow fever, smallpox or cholera, and all places south of 25 degrees north latitude shall be considered infected unless proof to the contrary be submitted to the State health officer, and special exemption be granted to said places, and persons from such places are prohibited from entering this State within a period of ten days.

I further declare quarantine against any person or persons infected or liable to be infected with yellow fever, smallpox or cholera, either within or without the State, and direct the quarantine officers of the State and health officers of counties and towns to establish local quarantines around any and all such persons whenever discovered.

CHARTERED.

The following charters were filed with the secretary of state today:

Investors Security company of Fort Worth; capital stock $55,000. Incorporators: C. J. Shapard, Wm. D. Williams, Glen Walker, J. N. Spencer, Morgan Jones.

Patton Seminary Building of Oak Cliff; capital stock $10,000. Incorporators: E. G. Patton, A. S. Laird, W. I. Addison.

J. S. Presnell company of Rosebud, Falls county; capital stock $10,000. Incorporators: J. S. Presnell, W. O. Brown, M. C. Brown.

CREATED A SENSATION.

Woman's Revelations About the Manner of Procuring Evidence.

El Paso, Texas, April 22.—Quite a sensation was created in Juarez, Mexico, last night by the arrest of a man for beating his wife. The wife testified this morning that her husband was responsible for the recent arrest of numerous parties in the United States on the charge that they were implicated in the assault on the Palomas custom house. The woman stated that her husband was an agent in the employ of the Mexican government, and that he was now and had been working up evidence against Santa Teresa and Senor Calderon, the latter now in jail at Juarez. She stated that her husband had yesterday tried to induce her to go over the river and swear to certain things which he dictated about Santa Teresa and Senor Calderon. This the woman refused to do, and after a long attempt at persuasion he at last became mad, and because she would not swear to what she knew was untrue he struck her and she had him arrested. While the woman was making this statement a Mexican came up and said he had been approached in the same manner and asked to go over the river and swear to things he knew nothing about against Santa Teresa. Calderon is a G. A. R. man who was arrested and thrown in prison recently.

Deed of Trust.

Brownwood, Texas, April 22.—Lancaster & Co. filed a deed of trust; M. H. Denman trustee. Preferred creditors $2400.

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WEATHER INFORMATION.

Last Night's Readings.

An area of high pressure overlies the South Atlantic States. An area of low pressure is central over North Texas, with the lowest, 29.68 inches, at Amarillo.

The weather is generally partly cloudy to cloudy. Precipitation amounting to .10 of an inch or more is reported from St. Louis and Kansas City.

General Observations.

Observations taken by the United States weather bureau at 8 p. m., 75th meridian time.

	Temp.	Rainfall.
Jacksonville, Fla.	74	T
Atlanta, Ga.	68	.00
Montgomery, Ala.	70	.00
Vicksburg, Miss.	76	T
New Orleans, La.	68	.00
Palestine, Texas	72	T
Galveston, Texas	72	T
Corpus Christi, Texas	74	.00
Memphis, Tenn.	66	.02
Nashville, Tenn.	72	.00
St. Paul, Minn.	70	.00
Davenport, Iowa	72	.02
St. Louis, Mo.	70	.12
Kansas City, Mo.	68	.20
Omaha, Neb.	66	T
North Platte, Neb.	66	.00
Dodge City, Kan.	68	T
Amarillo, Texas	78	.00
Oklahoma City, O. T.	74	.00
Abilene, Texas	74	.00
El Paso, Texas	82	.00

Weather Forecast.

Washington, April 22.—Eastern Texas—Partly cloudy weather; occasional showers in eastern portion; south winds.

Arkansas—Unsettled weather with showers; south winds.

Tennessee and Kentucky—Threatening weather with showers and probably thunderstorms.

Louisiana—Occasional showers in morning, followed by clearing weather; south winds.

Alabama and Mississippi—Threatening, with occasional showers; south winds.

Georgia—Fair in southern portion, showers in northern portion; southeast winds.

Oklahoma and Indian Territory—Partly cloudy weather; possibly showers; south winds.

North Dakota—Rain; cooler in southern portion; north winds.

South Dakota—Partly cloudy with northwest winds.

Kansas and Nebraska—Occasional showers; cooler; west winds, becoming northerly.

Colorado—Probably fair; slightly cooler; north winds.

Wyoming and Montana—Partly cloudy with showers; north winds.

ATTEMPTED ESCAPE.

Prisoner's Desperate Break for Liberty—Hurt the Jailer Badly.

Brenham, Texas, April 22.—Jack Franklin, colored, late of Galveston, was arrested at the Union depot this morning and two six-shooters taken from his pockets. He was locked up in the calaboose.

At 1 o'clock Jailer Ward went to the calaboose to take the prisoner dinner. As he went to close the door the prisoner shoved it open and assaulted him with a small piece of gas pipe, inflicting six gashes and knocking him down, making his escape. Mr. Ward's cries for help brought a number of people to the scene in time to see which way the prisoner ran and Sheriff Teague mounted the first horse he came to and gave pursuit, capturing the assailant at Camptown. He was incarcerated in jail and complaint for assault with intent to murder filed against him.

Father Brannan at Bryan.

Bryan, Texas, April 22.—Father Brannan, the eminent Catholic divine, arrived in the city yesterday and opened his series of eight lectures at St. Joseph's Catholic church last night. His subject was "Confession," and tonight the same subject will be continued. The church was crowded to the doors, and he held his audience with rapt attention from the opening to the closing sentence.

Dwelling Burned.

Devine, Texas, April 21.—This morning between 1 and 2 o'clock the dwelling house of Mr. Charles Obits, a farmer, who resides about four miles south of Devine, in Frio county, was totally destroyed by fire. Nothing was saved, not even wearing apparel. The occupants barely escaped in their night clothes. Loss between $2000 and $2500. No insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Cattle Shipments.

Beeville, Texas, April 22.—H. B. Woodley bought of J. M. Dobie 1000 stock cattle. The stock were delivered here yesterday and shipped one train going to Sabinal and the other to the Territory.

V. Kohler sold to Frazier & Farley of the Territory 250 2-year-old steers Saturday.

BELIEVES IN COAST COUNTRY.

Ex-Governor Waite Proposes a Colonization of Fruit Lands.

Waco, Texas, April 22.—Mr. E. S. Peloubet, president of the Texas division of the American Cotton Growers' Protective Association, is in receipt of a letter from ex-Governor Davis H. Waite of Colorado, in which he declares his purpose to colonize some of the Texas fruit lands on the south east, south or southwest gulf coast. Governor Waite declares that the attempt to irrigate the arid lands in the West has been only partially successful and the arigable lands have about all been taken. He says the effort to catch and husband enough water in the arid region to answer for irrigation in the dry season has proved a failure and it has dawned upon the experimenters that great reservoirs and ditches are worthless without water. Something then must be done to find a home for the horde of immigrants who are being attracted to the West by the hope that irrigation will furnish them a paradise. The ex-governor believes Texas furnishes the lands to which this tide may be turned and he purposes starting his colonization scheme in St. Louis about May 1.

Kentucky Senatorship.

Frankfort, Ky., April 22.—The joint session for balloting today attracted much more attention because the republicans were without a nominee and all wanted to see how they would vote. Congressman Walter Evans, the newly arrived candidate, was on the floor of the house. The republicans evidently knew they were being watched and refused to answer their names.

The five anti-republicans helped to break a quorum. Only Baird and Norris, who have been voting with the republicans, answered present. It was the fifty-first ballot. Baird voted for Martin, as did the man. Stout did not vote. The republicans seemed to have lost their gold democrats. The republicans sat still, however. The vote stood: Blackburn 45, Martin 12, Bailey 1. No quorum.

Florida Contest.

Tallahassee, Fla., April 22.—The legislature in joint session today cast two ballots for United States senator, as follows: First ballot—Call 23, Chipley 23, Raney 16, Bisbee 11, Burford 5, Mabry 2, McKay 2, Warren 1, Darby 1, Bisbee 1.

Second—Call 23, Chipley 23, Raney 16, Hocker 11, Burford 5, Mabry 2, McKay 2, Darby 1, Wolfe 1, Bisbee 1. Necessary to a choice, 55.

Republican Retains His Seat.

Frankfort, Ky., April 22.—The Bell-Crumbaugh contest was at last settled in the senate today before the joint session. Crumbaugh, the republican, retains his seat by a vote of 22 to 14. All the silver democrats voted against him and the republicans and gold democrats for him.

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