BANQUET TO MR. TRICE.

Business Men of Palestine Evidenced Their Appreciation of His Worth.

Hundreds of Citizens Were in Attendance to Listen to the Good Things Said of Palestine, the I. and G. N. and Mr. Trice.

Palestine, Texas, May 28.—At the city hall this evening a banquet was given by the citizens of Palestine to Mr. Leroy Trice, vice president and general manager of the International and Great Northern railroad. The society of Palestine was out to the number of about 300. Among the prominent visitors from other cities were the following: Hon. J. H. Hawley of Galveston, E. J. Fry of Marshall, N. G. Kittrell of Houston, J. H. Hill of Galveston, Horace Booth and E. G. Austin of Houston, J. A. Rhea of Dallas, Jere Cook of Crockett, Hooker Eads and Dave Woodward of San Antonio.

The banquet was a fitting memorial of the high esteem in which the citizens of Palestine hold the general manager of this road. The city hall was decorated for the occasion, the table being arranged in the form of a horseshoe, extending the length of the room, and festoons were beautifully arranged along the ceiling. An elegant repast was furnished and the music was excellent. Hon. John H. Reagan was toastmaster and spoke with his accustomed geniality and good nature. From the remarks of Mr. Trice it is evident that this demonstration on the part of the citizens was highly appreciated by him and will long be remembered as one of the most pleasant events of his life. The whole affair was voted a grand success by every one who attended.

On the outside wall of the city hall, where the banquet was given, there was a large diagram of Texas showing the lines of the road of the International and Great Northern. In the center of this diagram was a large gland with arms and legs extending over the entire state. The effect was to give the entire circumference of the lines. The sign of the gland extended at Longview, the end of the road in that direction, the right leg extended through Louisiana, Dallas and Fort Worth, the right foot resting at Laredo, the left foot touching at Port Arthur, and the knee resting at Galveston.

In the center of and hanging from the stage was a life sized picture of Mr. Trice. The stage was in fact the entire auditorium from the first landing in the ceiling in the auditorium was beautifully draped with the national colors of the states requiring of Mexico, beautiful ferns, luxuriant plants and evergreens in profusion making the interior a beautiful sight to behold.

At the entrance were the words "All Aboard," and the different important stations were named, including Galveston, Houston, San Antonio, Austin, Waco, Fort Worth, Dallas, Corsicana and Palestine.

At the landing as one entered the hall were the words beautifully penciled on white canvas, "Your ticket, please." Second landing, "Keep the aisle clear." Third like this:

Trustworthy.
Resourceful.
Indefatigable.
Courteous.
Equitable.

All the first letters forming the word TRICE.

The menu was as follows:

SOUP
Bouillon
FISH
Baked Sheepshead.
Olives. Celery.
Chateau Beaulieu.
Hot Leg of Mutton, Tartar Sauce.
Sliced Tomatoes.
Anderson County Tockay. Cocoanut Jelly.
Mumm's Extra Dry.
Cream Fruits. En Bulange.
Angel Food. Sauce Wafers.
Strawberries. Whipped Cream.
Imported Cakes. Assorted.
Salted Almonds. Stuffed Dates.
Fon-Bons. Fruit.
Mocha
Whipped Cream.

The toasts:

An address to Hon. L. T. Dashiell and a response by L. Trice.

"Our Business Men" ..... A. W. Gregg
"Local Railroad Affairs" ..... E. O. Griffin
"Palestine in the Past" ..... T. B. Greenwood
"Palestine in the Future" ..... P. W. Brown
"I. & G. N. Development" ..... N. A. Scudder
"Local Press" ..... C. E. Young
"Parks and Rockery" ..... Lucius Gooch
"County Government" ..... W. C. Campbell
"Commerce" ..... J. H. Hawley
"Wend Angelo" ..... G. H. Gibson
"Remembrances" ..... N. H. Morris

ADDRESS OF TOASTMASTER.
(Hon. L. T. Dashiell.)

Mr. Trice: The pleasure which your presence on this occasion affords the business men of Palestine is accentuated by the desire to appropriately acknowledge the part which you and your associates are performing in the industrial and commercial development of Texas. Your modesty forbids the enumeration of those virtues which have inspired the respect of your fellow citizens, but the privilege of expressing their appreciation for all that has been done and their desire to cooperate with you in all future undertakings certainly will not be denied them.

While insisting that Palestine is "the center of the surrounding country," and that the hills and vales of Anderson county contain the summum bonum of all things, it may not be amiss to concede that our cattle State is teeming with splendid opportunities and magnificent possibilities. Increased facilities for transportation have been followed by a phenomenal growth in population and values, and the unexpected solution of the fuel problem leads us to hope that to the brain and brawn of our people will be added the talismanic power of capital, insuring the dawn of a glorious era, as the sky thus of morning foreshadow the sunshine of approaching day.

Thirty years ago Texas, with her 270 miles of railroad, was considered a State of incomprehensible distances. The depth of her forests, the breadth of her plains, the richness of her soil, the value of her minerals, the beauty of her flora, the salubrity of her climate and the grandeur of her vaulted firmament, lit with twinkling stars and embroidered with thrice clouds, were to the world unknown and unappreciated.

Today the remote sections of our great commonwealth are knit together with 10,000 miles of railroad. Twenty billion feet of yellow pine are accessible to our people; the playground of buffalo and mustang is pasturage for millions of cattle; $300,000,000 of agricultural products are annually harvested by a sturdy yeomanry; mother earth has been summoned to yield a part of her minerals, inexhaustible and of infinite variety; while in the centers of population may be heard the clang of the mechanic and the hum of modern machinery. During this period our population has increased 274 per cent, taxable values 439 per cent, railroad mileage 1323 per cent—establishing the conspicuous and necessary part played in the development of our State by these great common carriers. Nor is this all. In enabling the people of the various sections of Texas to conveniently mingle together, expediting the exchange of opinions and creating a community of interests, our railroads have forever fixed that singleness of statehood, that unity of empire, for which the fathers fought, for which they died, leaving to posterity the Lone Star of destiny, glorious forever.

But, gentlemen, pleasing as the retrospect may be, the spirit of the age demands that we look to the future. Of the hundred and seventy million acres of land in Texas, less than fifteen million are in actual cultivation. The remainder of this area, larger than five Pennsylvanias, more comprehensive than Italy, England, Scotland and Ireland, is open to the honest men of all climes, be they rich or poor. Here the mechanic may find just compensation for his labor, the husbandman a place for his vine and fig tree, the capitalist an ever opening opportunity for the investment of his millions, and here the citizen, whether of high or low degree, shall be protected in the possession of his property and profits and in the blessings of priceless liberty. For, in the wisdom of Providence, it has been eternally decreed that Texas, hyperoan Texas, shall be a land

"Where self-dependent power will time defy,
As rocks resist the billows and the sky."

To the further development of this great commonwealth, our guest is committed, and I have been delegated by the business men of Palestine to bid him God speed in all of his legitimate undertakings.

Therefore, standing, let us raise our glasses to his health, to his prosperity, to the continuance of his usefulness and to the reward which invariably crowns the efforts of sturdy manhood.

REPLY TO MR. DASHIELL.
(Mr. Leroy Trice.)

Saying that I appreciate this gracious expression of kindness and good feeling for myself and associates and the International and Great Northern rail—and from the new citizens of Palestine, slightly expresses my sentiments.

The interests of the International and Great Northern railroad and the interests of Palestine and Anderson county are one and the same. What is best for one is best for the other, and what is hurtful to one is a rifle to the other, and it is the duty of the officers of the road and it is my duty, and the duty of every officer and employee of the road, to assist, foster, and promote the interests of Palestine and Anderson county, and it will be our greatest pleasure to do so, to the best of our ability.

On the other hand, it is the duty of every business man of Palestine and every farmer of Anderson county, and every citizen of the city and county, to guard, protect, and promote the interests of the International and Great Northern railroad, and in this you have our cooperation, and we have the least to demand—but that you will do your duty, from towards us, to the extent that we deserve.

And we ask that the God of heaven and earth, the giver of all things, forever glorify this beautiful Anderson county and this glorious State of Texas, is our earnest prayer.

LOCAL RAILROAD AFFAIRS.
(E. O. Griffin.)

Local railroad affairs concern all so deeply, the subject being of such vital importance to our city's welfare, I would have preferred that one better able to speak of the question should have been selected. However, you gentlemen decreed it were to choose me. Therefore, in obedience to your behest, or, rather, in consideration of your feeling, I will make the attempt to discuss the subject from a local and county standpoint.

The International and Great Northern Railroad company, as adjunct of the most important factor in the affairs of our busy commonwealth, has expended sums of money which, about fifty-six months ago, would have the general citizen, and more in particular, all the capitalists and operators of adjacent shores in this place. The addition to which, recently, erected, costing about Twenty Thousand Dollars, you should regard as a real of sentiment not likely to be lessened.

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N. R. Royall.

C. E. Young.

L. T. Dashiell.

J. W. Ozment.

A. Teah.

LEROY TRICE.

G. E. Dilley.

A. M. Rich.

George A. Wright.

William Branigan.

Max Davidson.

Hyman Pearlstone.

C. S. Bratton.

Daily Pres[illegible] had already been assigned a toast, "The Local Press," combined the two and spoke for five minutes, feeding sentiment happy over the contents of a bottle of Apollonaris water. His speech was as follows and was well received:

"This banquet was given by the substantial business men of this city to Mr. Trice. It has a deeper significance than a mere revelry. It means that the business men appreciate what our distinguished guest has already done for this city and county and for future good that he, as the chief executive of a great railroad, may yet do. Every business man of this city, I mean the man who invests in enterprises and bonuses, realizes the importance of fostering every pleasant relationship between the railroad company and the public. The business men of this city are not short sighted, but to the contrary they are broad and liberal in their views, and whatever has houred to the material progress and growth of the city and given to commerce its present pleasing features, they feel it a duty to give some expression of their appreciation to the source from which it came. Without passing any eulogy upon Mr. Trice as a public benefactor or an encomium upon his management, which has so largely contributed to our present good condition of affairs, this banquet, to my mind, is sufficient evidence that there are no barriers and that there exists the common, mutual and everlasting relationship of good feeling between the public and the railroad company. The local press, with some slight exceptions, has done much to bring about and preserve a harmonious feeling between the public and the railroad company. The local press is a powerful instrument for good, and editorial expression, no matter in what language couched, finds a resting place for commerce and sentiment.

BANKS AND BANKERS.
(Lucius Gooch.)

The banking interests are so interwoven with the general welfare of our country that our interests are mutual. If you prosper, we prosper. If you suffer, we suffer. We represent, as it were, the heart of the body politic, into which, and through which, and from whence flows the life-blood of commerce. The receiving teller is the auricle of the heart, the paying teller is the ventricle, and by their combined efforts the wealth of the nation is received and distributed. Our position is of great trust and responsibility, and I am proud to state that in the main this trust has been worthily executed and these responsibilities met. We do not claim to be in the business purely from philanthropic motives, for we, like the general run of mankind, live by feeding, and we believe that on every part of the field the laborer is worthy of his pay. In fact, so far are we removed from this erroneous position that many people, not understanding the true nature of our calling, look upon us with eyes of suspicion.

Notwithstanding our many faults and frailties, our efforts in the main are toward justice and right, and tonight we, together with our neighbor friends, rejoice in the opportunity thus offered of showing our appreciation of the efforts of our fellow townsman, Mr. Trice, to develop our great State; a State whose natural resources are so great, whose climate is so genial, whose plains are so extended, whose valleys are so fertile, whose mountains of iron ore are so stupendous, whose subterranean oceans of oil are so gushing that we feel warranted in making a paraphrase of a part of the speech of the illustrious J. Proctor Knott on the glories of Duluth, and say:

"That we believe if the immortal spirit of Homer could look down from another heaven than that created by his own celestial genius, to the long lines of pilgrims from every nation on earth to the gushing fountain of poesy, opened by the touch of his magic wand, he would weep tears of bitter sorrow, that instead of lavishing all the stores of his mighty genius upon the fall of Ilion, it had not been his more blessed lot to celebrate in deathless song the rising glories of Texas."

So, with a glad good will, in this crystal goblet, and in behalf of the banks and bankers of Palestine, I drink your health and happiness.

MENTAL ANGUISH.
(G. H. Gould.)

Fellow sufferers: It becomes my painful duty tonight to address you upon a malady which afflicts mankind more at present than ever in the previous history of the world. Mental anguish has increased with the progress of civilization, and the peculiar characteristic of it is that it follows railroads. Before the advent of railroads into our country very little of the present kind of mental anguish was known. It is a peculiar affliction. It can neither be smell, seen, tasted nor touched. It can only be felt; and I must say that I have an attack of it right now, myself. The kind of which I am going to speak, however, is not the original old kind of mental anguish which was described by Homer. That is old-fashioned, home-made, mental anguish that you have all suffered at times, but the kind of which I am talking is the more modern, excruciating, nerve-racking kind of mental anguish. It may be divided into three kinds—the real, the imaginary, and the feigned. But they all jump as regards and bring the same price in the courts of the country. In its comparison with physical pain it bears the ratio of 16 to 1; that is, every ounce of physical pain produces 16 ounces of mental anguish. The patient when attacked does not call a physician or a minister, but seeks a lawyer, believing that he is the only one who can furnish a balm for his afflicted soul.

This malady, as I have said before, has increased with the building of railroads in our country. While I was at Cearse at court last week, after supper I was sitting out in the gallery of the hotel smoking and observed a number of drummers sitting at a little distance from me talking. They first discussed the hotels of the country, and then got on to the railroad subject and one of them remarked that the International and Great Northern was the "crackerjack" railroad of the State. He said it was the best track and the best equipped and the best managed road in the state. Another drummer spoke up and agreed with him and went further and said that Leroy Trice was the boss railroad manager of the Southwest. I thought to myself that what they were saying was the truth. But the sad thought came over my mind that all these blessings were accompanied by that great affliction, mental anguish, which costs the railroad each year a large portion of its earnings. While the legislature of the State has done much for the country in creating a commission to regulate railroad rates, I think they ought to go further and empower the commission to regulate the price of mental anguish.

But I am happy to say there is a remedy for this malady. It is the "gold cure," which is usually administered in generous doses by twelve men, superintended by a shrewd lawyer who officiates as wet nurse.

VOLCANOES OF PHILIPPINES.

United States Geological Survey Makes a Report on Them.

Of interest in connection with the recent volcanic eruptions in the West Indies, is the report of George F. Becker on the geology of the Philippine Islands, which has just appeared in part III of the twenty-first annual report of the United States geological survey, and which contains a review of everything bearing upon the geology of these islands.

The report deals in general with the geologic and economic features of the islands, from extant reports on the subject, and from studies in the field, so far as they could be carried on during the disturbed period of 1898-99, though geologizing under arms and with a military escort was found to be more exciting than profitable.

In many respects the Philippine islands so closely resemble the West Indies, especially in being the scene of violent past and present volcanic energy, that the chapter of the report on the active and extinct volcanoes of the archipelago is at this time particularly interesting. While it was possible to visit but few of these mountains owing to the hostility of the natives, much valuable information from local and other sources was collected. Forty-nine of the eruptive mountains were located among the islands, and their altitudes and the dates of their eruptions obtained. Conspicuous among them is Mt. Apo, the highest mountain in the Philippines, which rises 10,761 feet above the level of the sea. At Camiguin de Mindanao, one of the most interesting volcanoes of the group, a cone nearly 2000 feet in height has risen since 1871 over what was formerly a lake, the basin of which was presumably an ancient crater. Mayon, or the volcano of Albay, is said to be the most symmetrically beautiful cone in the world, and the famous Taal volcano, situated on a small volcanic island in the lake of Bombon, is readily accessible from Manila. The accounts of the eruptions of these and other volcanoes of the group bear a striking resemblance to those of the recent outbursts of Mount Pelee in Martinique. Of an eruption which occurred in the year 1641 near Jolo the report quotes: "The darkness and atmospheric disturbance were so great that the people of Jolo could not perceive whence came the stuff which fell from heaven upon them." And in one of the numerous eruptions at Taal, loud detonations like discharges of artillery were heard, incandescent stones were thrown out, and a great fire ran like a river across the island. The fire then shifted into lake Bombon, throwing up water and ashes in immense masses. "The water grew hot and black, fish were stricken on the beaches as if they had been cooked, and the air was so full of sulphurous smells and the odor of dead fishes that the inhabitants sickened." At one of the eruptions of Albay that in 1814, 1200 lives are said to have been lost.

In drawing comparisons between the volcanoes of the Philippines and those of the Dutch East Indies, Mr. Becker notes the "Papandayang, in West Java, had a great eruption in 1772, destroying forty villages. Galung Gung in 1822 destroyed 114 villages and it is some measure of the violence of the Krakatoa explosion of 1883, that over 36,000 people perished.

The powder puff may help to hide the ravages of time but it avails little to hide the ravages of disease. When the face is disfigured by eruptions, the treatment must go below the surface to the blood which is corrupt and impure.

Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures disfiguring eruptions which are caused by impure blood. It cures scrofulous sores, erysipelas, boils, pimples, eczema, salt-rheum and other eruptive diseases which impure blood breeds and feeds.

"I was troubled with eczema from the crown of my head to the soles of my feet," writes Ella Quick, of Cass City, Tuscola Co., Mich. "Could not walk at times nor wear my clothes. Thought there was no help for me—at least the doctor said there was none. I went to my friends at Christmas time and there heard the good that Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery had done for them, and was induced to try it at once. For fear that I might neglect it my friend sent to the village and got a bottle and made me promise that I would take it. I had been getting worse all the time. I took thirteen bottles of the 'Golden Medical Discovery' and ten vials of Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, and used 'All-Healing Salve,' which made a complete cure. It was slow, but sure. I was taking the medicine about eight months.

"I would say to all who read this, try Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery before wasting time and money."

The sole motive for substitution is to permit the dealer to make the little extra profit paid by the sale of less meritorious medicines. He gains; you lose. Therefore accept no substitute for "Golden Medical Discovery."

Dr. Pierce's Pellets cleanse the clogged system from accumulated impurities.

Truck Growers association. The car was out over the Houston East and West Texas road and was profusely decorated with streamers and ribbons and was consigned to S. T. Fish & Co. of Chicago.

Tomatoes in small lots have been on the market for a number of days and the first arrivals came in good time. All reports have been broken, however, for a shipment of such volume this early in the season. Unless insects become too destructive Texas will turn out the largest crop in her history, and Angelina county will share in the profits.

TRUSTS AFFECT NEW YORKERS.

Produce Exchange Laments Decadence of Business.

New York, May 28.—John F. Barnes president of the New York Produce exchange in his report at the annual meeting of the exchange claimed the decline in business on the exchange is the result of trade combinations. He said: "The port of New York has shared in the general growth of trade and commerce of the country, but certain interests of the exchange have not benefited. The net registered tonnage entered and cleared from the port of New York increased more than 1,000,000 in last year. Much tonnage was carried, however, at unprofitable rates. There has been a considerable increase in the export which from the country, and a slight increase at this port. Corn exports at New York for the past twelve months show a decrease of thirty-three million bushels compared with the previous twelve months.

"The farmer is prospering, but the produce merchant as a middleman is steadily being supplanted by large corporate interests, dealing almost directly between the producer and consumer. A large petroleum trade once conducted on our floor has passed in this trade evolution, and the big provision, lard and oil trades are concentrating in a limited number of corporations which is most noticeable in the export trade of these products. Even the grain trade is not free from the same tendency.

"I am convinced the remedy for the continued diversion from this port of the trade as well as general commerce is the enlarged canal from the lakes to the Hudson river."

WARD SEMINARY.

Commencement Exercises at Which Three Texas Young Ladies Graduate.

Nashville, Tenn., May 28.—The commencement exercises of the thirty-seventh year of Ward seminary have just closed. Rev. T. Plunket, D. D., of Augusta, Ga., preached the baccalaureate sermon Sunday, May 25, on the subject "The Sphere and Dignity of Woman's Work," taking as his text Mark x, 44, 45. On Monday, at 8 p. m., was given the annual commencement recital of the school of music. On Tuesday the senior banquet at the Maxwell house at 8 p. m. and the alumnae reception in the seminary parlors from 7:30 to 10:30 p. m. On Wednesday, commencement day, Dr. Ira Landrith of Nashville delivered the literary address to the graduates, thirty-eight in the seminary course, seven in piano, four in voice and four in elocution. Six special certificates were awarded in piano and one in voice. Four graduates from the college preparatory course received certificates to Wellesley college, and two to Vanderbilt university entrance examinations and were certificates of entrance. The W. E. Ward memorial scholarship, established and supported by the Alumnae association, was held for the past session by Miss Mary Bell of Tennessee. The total enrollment of students was 186, the number of boarding pupils and 250 city and submission pupils.

The following is a list of the graduates from Texas: Bessie Claire Heley, Maud Wilson, in seminary course, and Belle Frizzell in piano.

SHORT TEXAS SPECIALS.

SMITHVILLE.—Rev. T. C. Swofford has resigned as pastor of the baptist church.

NACONA.—The annual district meeting of the holiness people is now under way here.

GOLIAD.—The need in the way of clothing now is thin underwear, both men and women's.

GONZALES.—Boll weevils are reported in a number of places, but they are by no means general.

SAN FELIPE.—Grasshoppers have appeared in the bottoms and are reported as doing some damage.

ELLIOTT—The boll weevil is already at work in this vicinity, piercing every form as soon as it appears.

NOCONA.—It is reported that a contract has been let for grading the road between this place and Montague.

BROOKSHIRE.—Children's day at the church was largely attended and an excellent program was presented.

BROOKSHIRE.—There is quite a boom in realty on in this section and several good trades have been made recently.

AMARILLO.—All the streams in this vicinity are full; it has been raining here almost continuously since Sunday.

GONZALES.—Grand Master H. B. Stoddard was entertained by the local commandery of Knights Templars with a banquet.

STONEHAM.—The picnic given here was more largely attended than had been anticipated, but the crowd was cared for in good shape.

ANDERSON.—District court is in session and the special venire cases have been set. The Garrett Scott case is down for the fifth Thursday.

WARRENTON.—Several new cases of smallpox have appeared among the negroes. The county authorities have as yet done nothing in an effort to prevent the spread of the disease.

FLORESVILLE.—The public school closed with commencement exercises. The Misses Hughes, Miss Stevenson, Miss Wiseman, Miss Murray and Mr. Lee Robberson constituted the graduating class.

GREENVILLE.—Elder R. F. Jenkins reports seven additions to the Baptist church Sunday, following the very fine commencement sermon for Burleson college by Elder J. B. Riddle of Whitewright.

WACO.—All of the schools of the city, including the universities, will close next week and the commencement programs will begin tomorrow night in some of them. There will be a great many visitors to the city next week to attend the closing exercises of Baylor and Add Ran universities.

FIRST CAR OF TOMATOES.

All Records Broken by Shipment from Angelina County.

Lufkin, Texas, May 28.—The first car of Texas tomatoes was shipped today from Lufkin by the Angelina County Fruit and

TO THE LADIES.

Freedom from aches, good general and special health and bodily vigor, tend to make life happy, contented and attractive—to make life worth living and fit you for pleasure or duty. What is the use of dragging through existence only half alive to its opportunities and enjoyments? Why be many of you do it, simply because you think there is no cure? In this you are very much mistaken. Women are much alike—all are subject to or liable to the same drains, pains, aches and nervousness. These ills come to many—may come to all.

G. P. P. has cured thousands of them, will cure the others if given a chance to do so.

"I had suffered for a year and three bottles has restored my health entirely. Friends and the many female remedies used had no effect upon me whatever, but to G. P. P. I owe my life. You have my permission to publish this letter that other sufferers may profit by knowing of this wonderful remedy and be cured."—Mrs. Carrie Richardson, Green, Miss.

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