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### Mayor's Proclamation.

Tuesday, May 3, being Decoration Day, under the auspices of Pat Cleburne camp. I hereby request all business people of the city of Waco to close their business houses from 2 o'clock p. m. to 6 p. m., so that their employees may have an opportunity to attend the services of the camp.

O. C. McCulloch,  
Mayor.

**The** Gabert Bros are the leading tailors. They have the finest workmen in the state, and are artists in cutting and fitting. If you would be well dressed, come to them all.

## OCCASIONAL TALK.

He Goes to Hear a Hardshell Baptist Preach

ON PREDESTINATION AND FORE-

Ordination and Gets Badly Mixed. Gets Frightened and in His Mad Flight for Home Loses His Hat and

MR. NEWS MAN—History repeats itself and so does er feller if he's the right kind uv er repeater. When I was er small fool I use ter go ter all sorts uv meetings, but the best sort I ever went to was the hardshell meeting. I loved ter go ter them because the preacher dun as he pleased and allowed you ter do the same. When he got inter the pulpit he pulled off his coat and rolled up his sleeves as good as ter say that Jordan was er hard road ter travel. He spoke as the spirit give his mouth utterance, but sometimes it was awful slow er bout its bisness. But they was mity good folks—thar aint many uv em now, nor thar aint many good folks now neither. They believed in honesty and pure whiskey. Their religion is sorter run down now, but their shoes aint, for their doctrine is ter change yer shoes every morning. Its bin er long time since I dun er bout my dinner listening ter these predestination fellers. News got inter both uv my ears tother evening that one uv em was gwynter knock the bottom out at the East Waco Baptist church. I fixed myself and went, when I got ter the church thar was er good crowd thar—thar is some monstrous party gals in East Waco, I was introduced by the preacher and he shook my hand like he was er candidate. He was er big set heavy teller and ball headed like Capt. Blair. He took his text from the 7th verse in the 1st chapter in Ephesians and he got me awfully mixed up and got mixed up his self. He leart me er few things that I don't know, and I don't know it yet. He said the Bible was his foundation for the doctrine he preached but what troubles me thar is hundreds uv others what claims the same thing. I don't know who's right on the rong road nor who's rong on the right road. His for ordination, predestination and several notions got me in a nation uv a fix. He said man was the author of his own sins, and had ter answer fur them. That beas the Methodists ter all holler fur they say we fellers is got ter carry old Adam's sins erlong with our own. He said we was chosen away back yonder before time ter be saved or left. That's a rite smart while ergo. Now if that doctrin is true we fellers ain't got nothin' ter do but ter find out if we are the ones. I guess when the old ship uv Zion is tied up on the banks uv the Jordan and we chaps goes down there ter git on I guess we won't git on unless we show our election foreordination and predestination through ticket from here ter the New Jerusalem. I don't like this election bizness and I nose several that will git tired in it er bout July and November. The preacher said Christ was sent inter this world ter save us, but what bothers me is how is He gwynter do it when we has already bin er lected or defeated one, er way back yonder er fore time. That's what gets me all mixed up so. Mixed whiskey gets me down, but mixed doctrin like that gets me down and holds me thar. Thar is one good doctrin er bout em and that is the washing feet doctrin. They has got good Bible fur that bisness cause its er command besides being er good sanitary institution. I likes the hardshells; I likes ter stay all night with em; I likes all good folks what tries ter get through the world and take sumbody else er long with em. Thar is er better world than this sum whar fur sum folks I know and then thars er heap worse place sumwhar fur sum folks I nose. Er good man aint got no bisness in er bad place and no bad man will ever slip inter a good place. Let us all be good folks and take our seats on the right hand of God.

Before he got heated up good thar was a rushing ter er emty wind. I couldn't tell from whence it cum nor whar it was er going, but I new it was er cuming and er goin' mighty fast. I split etiquett wide open and got out'en the church the best way I node how. The wind had kicked up a mighty dust so I couldn't see. I tried ter run but I run over er cow and fell bottom upwards in er ditch. Road engines sometimes ditch but

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W. MOSES, Proprietor.

fool dogs smelt me an' cum out a barkin' and er makin' more noys than Jack Harrison's pack of hounds. While I was er lyin' thar I heard the woman in the house say ter her old man "bring out yer gun, thats the thing whats bin er ketching our ohickins" thinks I ter myself, if time aint money I ken use er little uv it mity handy right now anyhow. Did yer ever put er red-hot firecole on er taripins back ter see how much peart-er it made him? If yer did you know how peart I got out, if yer never did yer don't. While the old man got his gun I got er way from thar—I made long steps and er lots uv em. While I was er fleeing from the rath ter cum I run up on sum more rath what had already cum. I run over er chicken coop what was ter the back end uv Hardwick Bros, grocery and give universal Democratic freedom ter er bout er hundred old hens and roosters. Thar never was such er fluttering er mong the hens nor sich fine running er mong race horses as I did. I cum mity nigh missing the suspension bridge. I lost my hat and religion. I found my hat but the religion was so small I never found it. "OCCASIONAL."

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W. C. T. U.

On next Thursday, May 5th, Mrs. Stoddard, State President of the W. C. T. U., and Miss Hethrington, State Superintendent of Juvenile work, will be in the city. At 2 p. m. on that day the ladies will meet at the city hall. At 3 o'clock there will be a meeting of all the school children, who will be entertained by an address. At night the president will deliver a lecture to which the public is invited. There will be music and every body will enjoy the meeting.

There was an impromptu card party at the Eiks' club rooms last night. Miss Rotan won the ladies' prize, a silver card basket, and Mr. M. C. H. Park the gentlemen's prize, a oxidised silver mounted penwiper. After the conclusion of the games refreshments were served and the balance of the evening was spent in music and conversation.

Ladies Night.

Friday night next, April 29, will be ladies night at the elegant Provident billiard parlors in the Provident building and be devoted to ladies with their escorts, from 8 to 10:30. A cordial invitation is extended to the ladies of Waco.

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