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A REAL GOVERNOR.

Under the above caption, the Austin American publishes a strong editorial commending the action of Governor Whitman in the Becker case. In fact, Editor Davenport comes with such force in his commendation that he displays real blood-thirsty propensities which we little dreamed lurked beneath his placid exterior, or found lodgment in his kindly, sympathetic heart. The American says:

"New York is to be congratulated upon its good fortune in having a real man for its Governor. The unostentatious, unyielding firmness which characterized Governor Whitman's action in the case of Becker, condemned murderer and professional grafter, exhibits that strength of character and conscientious regard for the faithful discharge of official duty which is particularly refreshing and exceedingly encouraging at a time when a great and increasing number of weaklings, possessing neither the courage, conscience nor self-respect to resist the importunities of emotional mollicoddies in behalf of condemned criminals, occupy the position of chief executives in several States. There are more States which have been disgraced by the action of Governors in pardoning bloodthirsty criminals than the average man cares to acknowledge, while it is far better for all concerned that the iniquitous record should be relegated to the backround.

"It is hoped that the tribe of Whitman may increase sufficiently to make possible the retirement of the jelly-fish brand of executive to the congenial society of professional sob-sisters and maudlin emotionalists enamored of criminal pervers, and the substitution of men worthy of the name in the important office which the former has so consistently disgraced."

The American should remember that Governor Whitman was biased and prejudiced in the Becker case. Whitman was the prosecuting attorney responsible for Becker's conviction and in his fight to send him to the electric chair his heart became so chilled, so hardened, so steeled against him that mercy, or even justice, found no room to enter. The strongest plea made by Bourke Cockran in his argument for a new trial for Becker was that they were placed in the position of having no Governor to whom they could appeal for clemency because of his previous connection with the case.

It is not the purpose of this article to defend Becker, but rather to call attention to the character of evidence that convicted him. The testimony of gunmen who had been promised immunity if they would "squel." And "squel" they did long and loud that they might continue to bask in the sunshine of freedom.

We hardly agree with the American in what it says about "emotional mollicoddies." This nor no other country has ever been hurt by executive clemency and mercy. Justice is always best administered where it is largely tempered with mercy. Our laws and their administering are based on that higher law, that divine law which says it is better that ninety and nine guilty men should go unpunished, rather than one innocent man should suffer.

GETTING RID OF PESTS.

Some years ago Corsicana had a plague of fleas, but that's now ancient history. Later Corsicana had a goodly supply of flies. But that, too, is becoming an historic circumstance if we may judge by this recital of the Daily Sun:

"The supply of flies is very limited now, so much so that but few are brought in at the price offered by the Sun and Civic Ladies. It is only at long intervals that even so much as a quart of flies is offered, whereas when the price was first put on them they came in great quantities. That traps properly looked after will reduce the number of flies to that extent that they will give but little annoyance and at the same time reduce the

chances for the spread of disease through that medium has been clearly proven."

That shows what a little pluck and perseverance will accomplish in this world. No fleas, no flies, no mosquitoes, Corsicana is indeed a fit town in which to live.—Waco Times-Herald.

And so that's the way to get them to "swat the fly," is it? Put a price on their heads. It's a good scheme. The John Henry part of it is to find the fellow who will put up the price.

The people of Texas seem to have acquired the swatting habit, judging from the result in Saturday's election.—Sherman Democrat.

The people of Texas were so very far wrong in their decision reached. The Reporter in an issue before the election declared its stand to be in favor of all of the amendments, the stand being taken on the ground that in theory all of the measures were good and they would make good laws if properly put into effect. Any law is good, if that be the case. Particularly do we believe that the people of Texas have made a mistake if they have failed to pass the University and A. & M. separation amendment.—Abilene Reporter.

"Good roads all the way to Galveston except in Brazos and Waller Counties," is what they all say. This is a stigma which Brazos County should remove and remove at once. It is fast coming to the point where it is considered a disgrace for a county to have bad roads, and it should be. A county that has muddy, dusty, nasty, dirty roads should be held up to the ridicule of those counties that have modern, improved highways.

The man whose home canner has been busy the past thirty days is the man whose grocery account will be light during the fall and winter. Living at home in this country is becoming popular.

From the number of votes polled in the recent election, it looks like a law to compel the men at home to vote is needed more than a law permitting the absentees this privilege wherever they may be.

The Austin American thinks if the Russian movements in Poland are entitled to the dignity of being termed strategic maneuvers, then the cotton-tail rabbit is a prime strategist.

The blessed rain today almost inspired our muse to "drap into poetry," as Silas Wegg would say. For the safety of Eagle readers, however, we resisted the temptation.

The Houston Post thinks Houston's ball team would have better luck by challenging the other pennant chasers to a watermelon-eating contest.

We "packed" water this morning until black in the face, watering the okra, some new plum settings and a few other shrubs—hence the rain.

We'll get the cotton. All we want is the price.

MORRIS SHEPPARD AT A. & M. COLLEGE

The Senator Arrived This Afternoon and Will Speak at Tonight's Splendid Program.

United States Senator Morris Sheppard arrived at the A. & M. College this afternoon and will be one of the speakers on tonight's program. He will discuss "Rural Credits," one of the most important questions before the National Congress at the present time. Bryan people should avail themselves of this opportunity to hear Senator Sheppard and more especially the discussion of this important subject.

The program for tonight as a whole is one of great interest and is as follows:

Vocal solo, Mrs. Marshall.
Address, Clarence Ousley, director of extension at the A. & M. College.
"Relation of Credit to the Proper Housing of Crops," Nathan Adams, cashier of the American Exchange National Bank of Dallas.
"Rural Credits," United States Senator Morris Sheppard.

The meeting will be in the college chapel and the interurban cars run on a convenient schedule for all to attend who may desire.

FOOD NOW REACHING MEXICO CITY

[By Associated Press.]
Washington, Aug. 3.—Provisions began entering Mexico City yesterday.

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EXPLAINED SPREAD OF PELLAGRA IN U. S.

Declared People Were Attracted by Labels and Paid Little Attention to Real Food Values.

[By Associated Press.]
San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 3.—Speaking of relative food values and increases in the prices of foodstuffs, Dr. S. J. Crumline, secretary of the Kansas State Board of Health, Monday addressed a meeting at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. He asserted that the cheaper grades of fruit sometimes were more nutritive than the choicer grades.

"In some instances," Dr. Crumline said, "the marketing of inferior grades of food in fancy containers, together with the use of brilliant labels, making the articles appear extremely attractive, is bordering very closely on the prohibition in the law that foods must not be made to appear better than they really are. If the truth were made known of the actual caloric value of many of the fanciful packaged foods on the market that are widely advertised as having exceptional nutritive merit, their sale would encounter a heavy slump.

"Sufficient experimental work already has been done to show that excessive heat in the preparation of foods destroys vital principles. It is found that in sterilizing milk and in canning most foods the process deprives them to a greater or less extent of their vitamins, and we are just beginning to understand how, in the midst of plenty, people may be starving—starving in the sense that normal metabolism is interfered with, producing a disease which ultimately proves fatal.

"It now is very generally accepted that pellagra, which is making such rapid inroads in our Southern States and gradually spreading in the North, is a disease of metabolism, induced, in all probability, by the monotonous diet of the poor—those who chiefly suffer pellagra; who live in a very large measure out of the can."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY HONORS.

Haakon VII, King of Norway, was born August 3, 1872, at Charlottenlund Castle, in Denmark. Prior to his election to the throne by the Norwegian people in 1905 he was Prince Charles of Denmark, the second son of the late King Frederick VIII. In 1896 he was married to Princess Maud, third daughter of King Edward VII of Great Britain. There was considerable opposition to the marriage, as the princess was the daughter of the future King of England, while Charles was only a Danish prince. At that time no one forecasted the brilliant future in store for Prince Charles. After the marriage Prince Charles was well received in England. When Norway severed her connection with Sweden the name of Prince Charles was the only one seriously considered in connection with the throne. In 1905 Prince Charles and Princess Maud were crowned at Trendhem under the title of King Haakon VII and Queen Maud. The royal couple have one child, Crown Prince Olaf, now in his thirteenth year.

BAPTIST PRAYER MEETING.

The midweek prayer service at the Baptist Church tomorrow night will take up a discussion of the Beatitudes, Matt. 5:1-16. A cordial welcome awaits all comers and all are invited to attend.

A. & M. EXTENSION DEPARTMENT NOTES

Helpful Suggestions for Dairymen, Livestock Men and Poultrymen.

To weigh a cow's milk daily is one of the best methods known to keep tab on her condition, according to J. W. Ridgway, professor of dairy husbandry at the A. & M. College. There are many advantages in keeping a daily record by weighing a cow's milk. Of course the owner, whether he has a big herd or just one or two cows, can tell what use a cow is making of her feed, whether she is making her way or whether she is just a boarder. If she is in poor condition or on the verge of a breakdown from some disease she will show herself to be in this condition from her milk flow. The best way to determine what a cow should eat is to weigh her milk. Weighing the milk and making the Babcock test to determine the percentage of butter fat go hand in hand. By making this practice a habit, the farmer can tell exactly what returns his cow is giving him from the feed she gets.

During July and August there will be much sickness in livestock, says Dr. Mark Francis, professor of veterinary science at the A. & M. College. One of the most vital things to do where stock has died of some disease, and especially where there is a suspicion that the disease in anthrax or carbon, is to bury the carcass or to burn it right on the spot where the animal died. Draw out a little blood from the cow and place a small speck of this blood on a piece of glass. With another piece of glass make a smear across the glass on which the blood was placed. Allow it to dry and then send it to the veterinary department, A. & M. College, College Station, Texas, for microscopical examination. Most of the specimens of diseased animals that are sent to the college are sent in such shape as to render them useless for reliable result-getting investigations.

It is not too late to "swat the rooster." Kill your male birds and render your eggs easier to keep during the hot weather. The removal of the male from the flock will not reduce the production. On the other hand, it will increase the desirability of your eggs. They may be kept for an indefinite period in the cold storage if they are infertile. Fertile eggs spoil very quickly. In the cooler months males may be allowed to run with the flock to produce eggs for hatching.—F. W. Kazmeier, poultry husbandryman at the A. & M. College.

CONFERENCE ON PEACE FOR MEXICO

Representatives of Six South and Central American Countries Try to Solve Problem.

[By Associated Press.]
Washington, Aug. 3.—Six South and Central American countries' representatives met Mr. Lansing today to discuss the pacification of Mexico. The embargo on arms from all quarters will be considered. It is reported they will also consider the advisability of using force if necessary to restore quiet.

OVERCOATS WORN IN SIOUX CITY

[By Associated Press.]
Sioux City, Iowa, Aug. 3.—The temperature dropped to 51 today. Overcoats were worn.

DEATH LIST NOW AGGREGATES 991

[By Associated Press.]
Chicago, Ill., Aug. 3.—The Western Electric Company's final check now shows that 991 lives were lost on the Eastland.

WORK OF THE COMMISSION FOR RELIEF IN BELGIUM

A recent report of the Commission for Relief in Belgium gives a clear idea of the extraordinary task which the commission has carried forward. The Belgian population in the occupied area is now not far from 7,000,000, and throughout this area business is at a standstill. The great bulk of this population in normal times is engaged in manufacture, transportation and mining. They are largely dependent upon imports for their food, but there is no possibility of transacting a normal trade with them. Those who have money are as helpless as those who have not, except as some neutral agency brings the food in and distributes it.—Hartford (Conn.) Post.

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