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WOULD SPREAD BOLL WEEVIL.

Dallas Man Said to Have Offered to "Blight Entire South With Pestiferous Boll Weevil.

The following dispatch from Washington appeared in the state press recently. Just what should be done with a man who would attempt such a dastardly act it is hard to say. The dispatch says the offer of a Texan to scatter the boll weevil through the entire cotton section of the South in order to affect the next crop prompted the Committee on Agriculture to report favorably today a bill of Mr. Lovering of Massachusetts to prohibit the interstate transportation of insect pests and the use of the United States mail for that purpose.

Some time ago a prominent cotton firm in New York received a letter from a man in Dallas offering to undertake the spread of the pest for the purpose of affecting the cotton crop in sections outside the present boll weevil area.

This letter was turned over to the Department of Agriculture and Secretary Wilson put some of the Department's detectives on the track of the writer. He was found to be a man of some prominence in Dallas. There was no way of reaching him for punishment, so the matter was presented in confidence to the members of the Agricultural Committee and Mr. Lovering drew a bill providing for punishment for any such attempt as he had suggested.

The letter that the Texan wrote to the New York cotton brokers was read to the committee today, but it was withheld from publication and the members of the committee were bound not to disclose the name of the writer.

The committee unanimously reported the Lovering bill, which provides that no railroad, steamboat, express, stage or other transportation company shall transport from one State to another any live insect which is notoriously injurious to cultivated crops of any kind, or the bugs, pupae or larvae of any such insects. The bill also prohibits the removal of such insects or eggs or larvae from one State to another by any individual. Any letter, parcel, box or other package containing such prohibited insects or eggs is declared non-mailable and shall not be conveyed in the mails nor delivered from any postoffice nor by any letter carrier; and any person who shall knowingly deposit or cause to be deposited for mailing or delivery anything by this act declared to be non-mailable matter, or cause the same to be taken from the mails for the purpose of retaining, circulating or disposing of or of aiding in the retention, circulation or disposition of the same shall for each and every offense be fined not more than five thousand dollars or imprisoned at hard labor not more than five years, or both, at the discretion of the court.

The Secretary of Agriculture is empowered under the provisions of the bill to prepare rules and regulations under which such insects or eggs or larvae may be transported for scientific purposes, such rules and regulations in so far as they affect the use of the mails being subject to the approval of the Postmaster General.

Any person, company or corporation who shall knowingly violate the provisions of this act shall be liable to a fine of five thousand dollars or imprisonment at hard labor, or both, in the discretion of the court.

A Happy Home.

Bonham News. 'Twas a cool, winter evening not long ago. The sky was clear. The stars had begun to peep through the blue windows of the heavens.

The moon cast floods of glory upon the earth. A mother and her five little children stood upon a south veranda waiting for "papa." Would papa we welcome? Yes. When he was tired from the day's labors and turned his face homeward, he knew there was a welcome awaiting him. Knowing this, he quickened his steps. When he arrived, he was made to feel that he was welcome. Before he got to the yard gate, four joyful children ran to meet him. They clung to his hands and coat-tail. One little tot was taken into the paternal arms. Thus, his face radiant with smiles, he marched to the doorway of his home, where he kissed mother and the babe. He seemed to be the happiest man in the world!

Why should he be? His home was a humble one—a mere cottage. He had very little of this world's goods. He labored for his daily bread. But listen: Love dwelt in that little cottage. Also, Love's associates, confidence, fidelity, attentiveness and gentleness, were there. In brief, it was a happy home.

The above picture we saw in the city of Bonham.

A happy home! What magic power is therein contained! The labor may be hard and trying, but if the laborer dwells in a happy home his arm is strengthened. The conflict may be long, the battle fierce and bloody, but to the wounded soldier boy, who has dwelt in a happy home, an inspiring vision will appear. Recollection will bring her sweetest picture from the archives of Memory and the soldier will take new hope and courage for the morrow as the old home of his happy childhood days appears before his mental vision.

Yes, and the poor outcast, whose virtue and happiness have been sacrificed to satisfy man's brutal passion, is never stronger impelled to return to virtue's narrow way as when, in Meditation's golden hour, Reminiscence leads her back to the old family altar and bids her listen once more to a sainted mother's fervent prayer.

So marvellous and enduring is the influence of a happy home that our prayers as Texans, as Americans, might well be: "God give us more happy homes."

GEN. LEW WALLACE DEAD

Author of Ben Hur Passes Away of a Wasting Disease—Was a Mexican War Veteran.

Crawfordsville, Ind., Feb. 15.—Surrounded by his family, Gen. Lew Wallace, author of "Ben Hur," one time Minister of Turkey and veteran of the Mexican and Civil Wars, died at his home in this city tonight, aged 78 years.

The health of General Wallace has been waning for several years and for months, despite the effort of the family to keep the public in ignorance of his true condition, it has been generally known that his vigorous constitution could not much longer withstand the ravages of a wasting disease.

For more than a year he had been unable to properly assimilate food, and this, together with his extreme age, made more difficult his fight against death. At no time has he ever confessed his belief that the end was near, and his rugged constitution and remarkable vitality have been responsible for prolonging his life several months.

The deathbed scene was one of calmness. Besides his physician, only his wife and his son, Henry Wallace, of Indianapolis, were present. Two grandchildren, although in the house, were not admitted to the room.

When told by his physician that he was dying General Wallace was perfectly calm and his last words were expressions of cheer to his grief-stricken family. Bidding them farewell, he said:

"I am ready to meet my maker," and lapsed into unconsciousness, from which he did not recover. No definite funeral arrangements have been made.

Never Heard The News.

When Bishop Meade was an enthusiastic young minister he made many missionary journeys into the wilds of the Southern mountains.

On one occasion as he sat at the door of a mountaineer's hut refreshing himself from a tedious jaunt with the buttermilk and cornpone the young mountaineer wife had offered, the enthusiast entered into the story of the Redemption to an interested audience of one.

As the story proceeded the young woman from time to time uttered exclamations of surprise and delight.

"You don't mean to tell me," said the young divine, feeling the sincerity of her surprise, "that you never before heard of Christ and Him Crucified?"

The young woman, realizing from his shocked tones the magnitude of her ignorance, put her fists into her eyes, drew up her apron to dry her tears, and apologetically and lamentably: "Oh, Mister! Us live so far from de Big Road, and my man John he don't never tell me no news!"

Civil Service Examination.

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that an examination will be held on March 6th 1905, at Brownsville, Texas, for the position of Inspector of Customs at a salary of \$3.00 per diem. Applications can be procured from the undersigned.

No application will be accepted unless properly executed and filed in complete form with the Secretary Tenth Civil Service District, at New Orleans, La., prior to the hour of closing business on February 25th, 1905.

For any further particulars inquire of the undersigned at the U. S. Custom House in the city.

A. A. BROWN,

Sec'y Board Civ. Serv. Exam'rs.

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CLINE.

Brownsville, Tex., Feb. 18th., 1905.—Tonight and Sunday, rain fresh to brisk easterly winds.