

**WACO FIRE DEPARTMENT.**

**Location of Fire Alarm Boxes.**

4 Fifth Ward Fire Station strikes	1111
5 Corner 9th and Austin	1111
6 4th	1111
7 Central Fire Station	1111
8 West End Fire Station	1111
13 Corner 14th and Washington	1-11
14 5th and Mulberry	1-11
15 8th and Columbus	1-11
16 8th and Jackson	1-11
17 8th and Webster	1-11
25 8th and Cleveland	1-11
26 5th and Spaight	1-11
27 6th and Washington	1-11
35 Royal Hotel 5th and Franklin	11-11
36 Wooten Mills 13th and Mary	11-11
37 Corner 14th and Jefferson	11-11

All boxes numbered above 8 strikes once; Box 13 strikes 1 and stops, then strikes 111 making Box 13, then repeats four times. Box 25 strikes 11 and stops, then strikes 1111 making Box 25 a 4 0 0.

**DIRECTIONS FOR GIVING ALARM.**

Keys will be found in residences on each corner where boxes are located. Open Fire Alarm Boxes and pull Hook down and let go. Leave key in box.

Turn alarm in only for fires. \$10.00 fine for false alarm.

Slow tapping of bells signify company calls.

Second Friday in each month each box is tapped twice, testing boxes and circuit line.

When alarm of fires give the Fire Department has the right of way on all streets. All vehicles must drive near the sidewalk and keep away from the fire. \$5.00 fine for running over hose.

Report of any careless driving going to or from fires by the Fire Department will be thankfully received by the Chief, as fast and careless driving is strictly forbidden.

The Hobson line runs to the Waco Greenhouse 14th and Barron street.

Big Muddy! Big Muddy! EGAN! EGAN! EGAN!

Joe Lehman's for ice cream and confectioneries 117 South Fourth street.

Joe Lehman is the most popular restaurant man in Texas. His place 117 South Fourth street.

A. D. Adams & Bros. Hard to Beat Peach and Apple Cider Try me I am good.

Sleeper, Clifton & Co. have added a repairing department in connection with their shoe store. All repairing of boots and shoes neatly done Charges reasonable. Leave your shoes to be half-soled at Sleeper, Clifton & Co's., corner of Fourth and Austin streets.

For all styles of photographic work go to Jackson.

Happy Hoosiers.

Wm. Timmons, Postmaster of Idaville, Ind., writes: "Electric Bitters has done more for me than all other medicines combined, for that bad feeling arising from Kidney and Liver trouble." John Leslie, farmer and stockman, of same place, says: "Find Electric Bitters to be the best Kidney and Liver medicine, made me feel like a new man." J. W. Gardner, hardware merchant, same town, says: "Electric Bitters is just the thing for a man who is all run down and don't care whether he lives or dies, he found new strength, good appetite and felt just like he had a new lease on life. Only 50c. a bottle, at W. B. Morrison & Co's., Drug Store.

**M. K. & T. \$15.30**

To New Orleans and Return on account of

**Mardi Gras.**

Tickets on sale February 28 and 29, good for return passage 10 days from date of sale. For maps, folders, sleeping car accommodations, tickets or any information, please call on or address, J. E. SMITH, Ticket Agent M. K. and T. Ry., No 124 South Fourth street, Waco, Tex.

**FOR SALE,**

1000 acre farm, 500 in cultivation, all first class prairie land. Ten houses, barns, sheds, wells and one never-failing spring. Small farms of 100 or 200, 320 or 400 acres each, and many others cheap and on easy terms.

**RANCHES.** Ranging in number of acres of 320, 500, 1200, 1400, 1866 and 3,000, situated near Waco. We can sell special bargains in houses, lots and business property.

**Bell & Sassaman,** Real Estate and Rental Agents, 111 South Fourth street, Waco, Texas.

**THE CHICAGO FOOTPAD.**

Even the Police Interested by His Activity.

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—Chicago has always been noted for the number of footpads, garroters and sandbaggers who have made it their stamping ground, but for the past week or two things have been in such an utterly lawless condition that even the police force of this city have been to a certain extent aroused. The reign of terror has also aroused the public. The epidemic of robbery and assault seems to have raged more violently than ever during the last twenty-four hours.

Between 7 o'clock Sunday morning and 2 o'clock Sunday night there were lodged at the Armory police station twenty-four complaints by citizens who had been stopped on the streets and robbed of such sums as they had about them. At other stations a large number of similar complaints were made.

At about 9 o'clock last night three gentlemen were passing the corner of Clark and Madison streets. Inadvertently one of them brushed against a shabby figure that lunged against the building. Instantly the figure sprang forward and with a savage oath drew a dirk. For a moment it looked as though a murder would be done. But the three men walked on. This was in the heart of the city and goes to show the singular boldness which seems to inspire the criminal element.

Among the more important crimes reported to the police were the following: Andrew Soronson of 21 North Union street, assaulted by two men within twenty feet of Desplaines street station. Nothing secured. George Sullivan, 134 Van Buren street, robbed of \$60 by two men on the Polk street bridge. Mary Foster, 40 West Fourteenth street, robbed by three men of her pocketbook at Adams and Halstead streets. Charles Harkenstein, 189 South Halstead street, stopped by three men at Pearson and Halstead streets. Nothing secured. John Warner of Columbus, O., robbed by crowd of men of diamond pin and \$50 in front of a saloon on Clark street, near Polk. Unknown Chinamen assaulted by two men on street car at Madison and La Salle streets; nothing secured. A. P. Richtmeyer, 4605 Dearborn street, robbed of \$125 in Eldridge court. D. Van Hooten, 81 Eighty-first street, near State street, robbed by three men of gold watch and \$5 on Rock Island tracks near Taylor street. Edward Barian of Toronto, Canada, robbed of \$60 by colored woman in front of 108 Dearborn street.

**Concerning Draw Poker.**

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 11.—If A, B and C sit down to a social game of poker and A should lose all his money to B, who in turn should be skinned by C, then A can sue C and recover the money which he lost.

This is the latest rule on gambling of Kansas City court of appeals, and of course is applicable only to the state of Missouri. As a general rule, suits which arise out of gambling have no standing in the courts of this state, but there is a law on the statute books of Missouri which provides that any person has the right to recover money or property which he may lose at any game or gambling device. The case in question came to the court of appeals on an appeal from the circuit court of Vernon county. Three of the inhabitants of that county, named respectively Brooks, Clinton and McMahon, indulged in a little game of draw. Brooks lost \$300 in money and checks to Clinton, who was promptly relieved of it in a jackpot by McMahon. The next day Brooks asked McMahon, who in the meantime had cashed the checks, to return his money. He was referred to Clinton, who had won from him, as being the person liable. He failed to obtain satisfaction and so entered suit against McMahon.

The court said that the persons engaged in the game undoubtedly knew that the money would necessarily frequently change hands in the course of betting on straights, bluffs and fulls, and accordingly the loser would finally be loser to him who came out winner. The specific identity of the money in circulation would make no difference.

**Divorces by Default.**

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 11.—The refusal of the circuit court to grant a divorce to Edward B. Clark from his wife, Laura Clark, was sustained by the court of appeals and at the same time the judge took occasion to make a few pertinent remarks regarding the granting of decrees in ex parte divorce suits.

One year before applying for a divorce Clark separated from his wife in Indianapolis and came to Kansas City. He made the usual affidavit that he did not know the whereabouts of his wife, and made publication of his prayer for divorce in an Independence paper. He accused his wife of offering such indignities as to render his condition intolerable.

On the trial of the case a divorce was denied, not because Clark did not swear strong enough against his wife, but simply because the court told him bluntly that it did not believe his statements.

In reviewing the case the court of appeals remarks that in all default divorce cases the trial court is justified in holding the petitioner to satisfactory proof of their allegations, and even though their testimony is undisputed, the court

is not obliged to believe it. Such cases naturally arouse suspicion, and in the instance of Clark it was esteemed rather peculiar that, although a resident of Kansas City, he should go to a small neighboring town and insert his publication of the proceedings in a paper which he naturally inferred would never be seen by his wife. It looked as if he was endeavoring to avoid rather than to give information to his wife of what he was doing.

**Murdered and Robbed.**

PHOENIX, ARIZ., Feb. 11.—Two Chinese, Lee Wong and De Mong, had their throats cut from ear to ear at Parqua Hall, a mining camp, last night, and their watches and several hundred dollars in money stolen.

**THE TRANSMISSISSIPPI CONGRESS.**

Some Important Matters to Come Up at the Next Meeting.

GALVESTON, Feb. 11.—Colonel Gresham, who is chairman of the committee on constitution and by-laws of the Transmississippi congress, which is to meet in New Orleans on the 23d of this month, has written to the different members of the committee, inviting them to meet him in this city on the 20th instant for the purpose of preparing the report of the committee. Col. Gresham is in receipt of a letter from Hon. Howell Jones of Topeka, stating that he will be present on that occasion.

Hon. Warner Miller of New York will address the congress at New Orleans on the subject of the Nicaragua canal, and it promises to be a very interesting and important session.

It is suggested by some of Galveston's leading citizens that it would be a good idea to bring Hon. Warner Miller and other prominent gentlemen from the New Orleans meeting to this city on a visit.

Colonel Gresham has also received the following letter on this matter, which is self explanatory:

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 6.—The indications are that the meeting at New Orleans will be the most successful one ever held by the congress.

Among the subjects to be discussed are the following: "Waterways and Harbors," "Arid Lands and Irrigation," "Silver Coinage," "The Interstate Commerce Law," "The Nicaragua Canal," "Corn as Food," "Mines, Mining and Mineral Lands" and "The Hennepin Canal."

Among the prominent and able speakers who are expected to be present are the following named gentlemen: Hon. Warner Miller of New York, ex-Gov. R. B. Hubbard of Texas, Senator F. E. Warren of Wyoming, Hon. George T. Anthony of Kansas, Colonel A. C. Fisk of Colorado, Hon. George L. Miller of Nebraska, Hon. Jos. S. Sikes of New Orleans.

The meeting at New Orleans will be most interesting and important.

Subjects of vital importance to the Transmississippi states and territories will be discussed and considered.

The city of New Orleans puts on her gayest and best attire in the month of February.

At the close of the congress will begin the Mardi Gras festival. These festivals are world renowned for their splendor and magnificence.

It is urged upon those who have authority to appoint delegates to do so at once and immediately send their names and postoffice addresses to the secretary at Lincoln, Neb.

You are earnestly requested to call this matter to the attention of those who have authority to appoint delegates and give the matter as much publicity as possible through the press of your state and otherwise.

C. A. ATKINSON, Secretary.

Colonel Gresham says it is generally understood that Hon. George L. Miller of Nebraska will open the war on the interstate commerce commission at the New Orleans meeting.

**The Overman Courtmartial.**

CLEVELAND, Feb. 11.—The taking of testimony in the Overman courtmartial ended today, and tomorrow will be occupied by the counsel in summing up the evidence. Overman was practically the only witness, and he was subjected to a searching cross-examination by Captain Myrick, judge advocate. He admitted that he had written letters demanding money from contractors, but that no record of such letters appeared in his office. He said his private letter book would show copies of the letters but that the book could not be found, having been lost or destroyed by his successor.

**Against the Anti-option Bill.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 11.—At a meeting of the board of directors of the board of trade, the anti-option bill, now pending in congress, was discussed and the president was authorized to appoint a committee to go to Washington and appear in opposition before the senate committee considering the bill on Feb. 16.

**Hogshead Cheese Poisoning.**

GREENVILLE, TEX., Feb. 11.—R. D. Woodard, Ed Boulden, Mrs. Cook and Johnnie Mays were poisoned from eating hogshead cheese at supper. They all became violently sick shortly after eating and suffered greatly. All have recovered except Mrs. Cook, who is dangerously ill.

**TEN THOUSAND READERS.**

If you want a clerk, book keeper, office man, salesman, butler, errand boy, porter, or a mechanic of any kind, the quickest way to obtain him is to advertise in the Cheap Columns of

**The - News.**

If you want a servant, cook, nurse, seamstress, housekeeper or any other female help, you can always obtain the very best by advertising in the Cheap Columns of

**The - News.**

If your house, flat, room, store, building or stable is vacant, you can almost invariably obtain a satisfactory tenant by making the fact known through the Cheap Columns of

**The - News.**

If you have city, suburban or country real estate for sale, to lease or exchange for real estate, you can pretty surely find a buyer or through the Cheap Columns of

**The - News.**

If you have a dry goods, boot and shoe, hardware, grocery, millinery or any other kind of business for sale, or if you want to buy one, it will be to your best interest to announce the fact in the Cheap Columns of

**The - News.**

Business notices of all kinds are certain to bring about the very best results when inserted in the Cheap Columns of

**The - News.**

The cost for this class of advertising is only **ONE CENT A WORD** each insertion, and, compared to the results you obtain, is a mere trifle. Suppose, for an experiment, you try an ad. in the Cheap Columns of

**The - News.**

Estimating an average of five readers to every copy of THE NEWS sent to subscribers, the number of readers of each daily issue of THE NEWS

**IS TEN THOUSAND.**

**DON'T DRINK**

**BUT IF YOU DO DRINK AT ED HATTON'S PACIFIC BAR,** where nothing but absolutely PURE LIQUORS and FINEST OF WINES are offered customers. A full stock Spanish Hand-made Cigars.

**Remarkable Rescue.**

Mrs. Michael Curtain, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a *hopeless victim of consumption* and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from the first dose. She continued its use and after taking ten bottles, found herself sound and well, now does her own housework and is as well as she ever was. Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery at W. B. Morrison & Co's. Drug Store, large bottles 50c. and \$1.00.

**To the Ladies.**

Mrs. F. J. Sullivan has removed her dressmaking establishment to 509 1-2 Austin avenue, up-stairs over the "Leader," where she will be glad to see her patrons and friends.

**SOCIETY NOTE.**

Items and communications intended for this department should be sent to No. 309 North Twelfth street or telephoned to No. 30, on or before Friday afternoon of each week, in order to receive proper attention. News notes received after 10 o'clock Saturday morning cannot appear until the next week, however much we may regret the delay.

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**HOME.**

**Contentment at Home better than Riches Abroad.**

As the evening shadows darken more deeply the glimmering twilight of a mid-winter day, the curtains are drawn, the shutters closed, the lamps are lit, the coal in the grate piled higher, the easy chairs drawn nearer to the open fire, and the queenly wife, with her beautiful babe in her arms, awaits the coming of her husband and protector. The children, too, await a father's coming with eager appetites, for well they know his arrival will signal the ringing of the supper bell. How warm and pleasant it is indoors this clear, cold night. What enjoyment of peace and contentment hovers around the family fireside. Ah! here is happiness. But here comes Pa, his features lit up

**THE WEAK**

with a kindly smile, beneath which, however, can be seen a trace of suffering. Overwork, care and anxiety is breaking down his constitution. He don't sleep well, he don't eat well, he don't feel well. His stomach feels weak, his kidneys feel sore, he aches all over. No, he says he don't want any supper, says he feels tired and will go to bed. Ah, he is a sick man. The morning finds him too ill to go to his office; a doctor is sent for, says he needs rest, and needs it badly. Says he needs a good tonic. Recommends Dr. John Bull's Sarsaparilla. Knows the composition of this remedy, and advises his patient against taking any other. He uses this remedy, quickly recuperates, and every one is happy. When you feel weak and debilitated, when your system craves a tonic, when eating gives you distress and your digestion causes pain, when your back aches and your kidneys seem to be wasting away, take Dr. John Bull's Sarsaparilla and it will give you health and strength again.

**MADE STRONG.**

Edward F. Manning, Newport, Ky., writes: "For a year my health had been failing. I lost flesh and strength. My weight decreased from 150 lbs. to 145 lbs. I suffered excruciating pain in my back and joints, and rheumatism in my left leg made me a cripple. I was advised to try Dr. Bull's Sarsaparilla, and used in all about ten bottles. From the start I gained in flesh and improved in every way. Now again I feel once more myself. I sincerely believe it saved my life."

"Neglecting a child troubled with worms is cruel. Give it Dr. John Bull's Worm Destroyer. They taste good, are safe, and only cost 25 cents."

"Less than one bottle of Smith's Tonic Syrup cured me of chills and fever." C. D. Clarke, Frankfort, Mo.

JOHN D. PARK & SONS, Wholesale Agents, 124, 177 and 179 Sycamore St., Cincinnati, O. [4]