

Bryan Morning Eagle and Pilot

FOURTEENTH YEAR

BRYAN, TEXAS, SATURDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 27, 1909.

NUMBER 70

**New Goods
ARRIVING
Daily**

**Persian Lace
Bands
Edges and Allovers
to match**

**Allover Lace
Cream, White, Ecru
and colorings
75c to \$4.50
Per Yd.**

**The New
Novelties
Laces and bands in
Valenciennes match
sets
10c to 50c**

**New Line of
Ruchings
Laces
Watch this column
as the new goods are
opened up we will
keep you advised.**

**Within a few days
we can announce
complete stocks in
all departments.**

**A. J.
WAGNER
& CO.**

**"QUALITY AND SERVICE"
WE SOLICIT YOUR MARCH BUSINESS**

We are well prepared for the Lenten season. All fresh fruits and vegetables in season. We make a specialty of

FINE TEAS AND COFFEE

TODAY:

Fresh Tomatoes
Fresh Celery
Fresh Lettuce
Cauliflower

Howell & Newton

INCORPORATED
Grocers and Coffee Roasters
Phones 23 & 150

LONG WORDY WARFARE.

House Record For Twenty-Five Years Broken.

JACK BEALL'S HOT RETORT

Representative Refers to Mr. Tawney's Temper and Mr. Mann Recommends Improvement in the Manners of Texas Gentleman is Advisable.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Thursday's session of the lower house did not end until 3:20 o'clock this morning.

The proceedings, which lasted sixteen and one-half hours, were interspersed with bitter personalities. Chairman Tawney of the appropriations committee, who was trying to secure the passage of the civil appropriations bill, became rather irritated, and when Mr. Beall of Texas referred to Mr. Tawney's temper Mr. Mann of Illinois suggested that Mr. Tawney's temper might be improved if the gentleman from Texas would improve his manners.

"To copy those of the gentleman from Illinois," was the hot retort of the Lone Star congressman, "would make of myself a clown."

The records of the official stenographers show the aggregate remarks made during the day's session exceeded that of any day for the last quarter of a century.

KISSES INTOXICATING.

Osculatory Nectar Must Be Banished Like Booze.

Mount Gleed, O., Feb. 26.—A local minister has this to say of kissing:

Declaring that a kiss is a nectar, an intoxicant, a disturber of the peace and a menace to morality, Rev. Henry W. Ireland of the Disciple church, in a prelude to his sermon, said that it should be abolished. "It also said there must be no more hugging and kissing in his church during services."

"Why," said the Rev. Mr. Ireland, "I have seen young fellows who come to church for no other purpose than to disturb the service, lean forward over the back of the pew and press a kiss on some fair maiden's lips and the smack could be heard all over the house. Occasionally some elder persons have annoyed me in the same manner."

"The kiss is an intoxicant and, like the saloon, must go. The nectar quaffed from the red lips is more fruitful of consequences than any alcoholic beverage ever distilled. I think kissing is the worst thing a woman can do, and the amount of hugging and kissing some of our girls do—of our best families, too—is literally a menace to our morality. I have carefully inquired into the matter, and find that many young girls imagine this is the way to get husbands. It may help some, but kissing is not all that is necessary."

MISSOURI PENITENTIARY.

Legislative Committee Makes Anything but Flattering Report.

Jeffersonville, Mo., Feb. 26.—Starting conditions in the Missouri state penitentiary were revealed in the report prepared by the legislative committee on penitentiary and reform schools. The report is to be filed in the senate.

It recommends the building of one of the large structures be torn down as it is unfit for habitation. It is pointed out in the report that one cell room in the women's department has iron rings in the wall seven feet from the floor for the punishment of women prisoners, who have their hands tied by the wrists in it.

Sanitary conditions are described as the worst possible and cells as being dirty.

"The personal cleanliness of the female prisoners is, according to the inmates," the report says, "not brought about by the use of bath tubs."

Engine Turns Completely Over.

Des Moines, Feb. 26.—Engineer Brown of Perry, Ia., was killed and several injured in an accident to the Overland Limited of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway at Van Horn, Ia. The engine left the track and turned completely over. The baggage and mail cars were piled on top of each other, while the remaining coaches rested on their sides. The train was running at the rate of sixty miles an hour at the time of the accident.

BOTH SIDES BUSY.

Defense and Prosecution Secure All Available Testimony.

Nashville, Feb. 26.—Counsel for both sides in the Cooper-Sharp trial were busy after court adjourned Thursday afternoon. The startling attack of the state upon the integrity of Colonel Cooper as clerk and master in chancery and as the associate of a defaulting state treasurer took the defense by surprise. Special agents, however, were soon at work, and Thursday night several men from various points in the state—men who are presumed to be able to throw light upon the charges—were summoned. Until far into the night these men were in conference with the attorneys for the defendants.

Nor were the state's attorneys less occupied. A decision of the defense to put Governor Patterson and Adjutant General Brown upon the stand was reached late Thursday afternoon. State's counsel heard it almost immediately and at once began consultation over this new feature. The stenographic report of the entire testimony thus far was gone over and every reference to Governor Patterson and Adjutant General Brown transcribed again for reference on cross-examination. At least two of the counsel for the state are bitter political enemies of Governor Patterson.

The crowds which attended trial Friday morning were as large as ever, and lunch boxes were numerous.

When Colonel Cooper resumed the stand he made a statement that he had only given an old soldier \$50 out of the amount secured from his farm. He made this correction, as the stenographic report stated he had given \$1,050. He was not questioned further.

Lieutenant Pilcher of the United States army testified as to the position in which he found the body of Carmack when he arrived on the scene of the tragedy and also as to picking up the revolver of the senator, which lay about eight inches from his right hand as the senator's body lay on the ground. He said the revolver had four loaded shells and two empty ones. He said he believed the revolver had been recently exploded, but was not positive on that point. The revolver is a .38 caliber Smith & Wesson hammerless.

Sergeant Meadows of the Nashville police force was the next witness. Sergeant Meadows testified that immediately after the tragedy he went to Fort's infirmary and got from Patrolman Vaighan two revolvers—one Robbin Cooper's, a 32 automatic Colt's, and the one found by Lieutenant Pilcher. Sergeant Meadows also said that later he received from Sergeant Reid, a nickel plated revolver which had not been fired, and which was said to have been taken from Colonel Duncan Cooper. He admitted the pistols might have been changed while in the hands of the lieutenant of police.

W. O. Vertrees, a prominent attorney, testified that he loaned Senator Carmack a revolver. He also identified the scabbard, which was shown him, and stated the revolver was loaded in every chamber when given to the senator.

After, on request of the defense, the jury had been excluded, Mr. Vertrees stated that when he gave Carmack the revolver the senator said he had received a threatening message from Colonel Cooper, who said that if Carmack used his name again one or the other of them must go. "After the message there was nothing for me to do but to put his name in again and it goes in tomorrow," said Mr. Carmack. The senator then asked me to loan him my revolver, as it was Sunday night and he could not buy one. He said he did not know how to use it, but friends insisted that he arm himself.

"I told him that it was a self-acting revolver and all he had to do was to pull the trigger. I removed the loads and demonstrated the use of the weapon. The senator put the revolver, with the scabbard on it, in his pocket."

The defense objected to admitting the statement with the exception of the fact of the senator putting the weapon in his pocket. A long argument ensued and Judge Hart stated the question was an important one as it affected the state's rebuttal in the case. Court adjourned until 2 o'clock.

FIVE BURN TO DEATH.

Widow and Her Four Children Believed to Have Been Murdered.

Bakersfield, Cal., Feb. 26.—Mrs. M. W. Beckman, a widow, and her four children, who reside seven miles from this city, lost their lives in a fire that destroyed the home. It is believed they were murdered and the house set on fire.

VOTE RECONSIDERED.

Further Action, However, Postponed Until Tuesday.

Austin, Feb. 26.—In the house Friday morning Mr. Reedy called up his motion to reconsider the vote by which the joint resolution providing for a smaller legislative body and fixing salaries was lost Thursday. He secured a reconsideration.

Mr. Terrell (of Cherokee) offered an amendment providing for a house of ninety members, to be increased to a maximum of 150 as the population of the state increased, and the senate of thirty-one members to remain fixed. Mr. Reedy offered a substitute for the amendment, permitting the law to remain as at present, but giving each legislator \$650 yearly salary and mileage.

After some discussion the resolution and amendments were postponed to the afternoon of March 2.

The senate refused to take up for consideration, by a vote of 9 to 16, Senator Holsay's bill making it unlawful for a representative, state senator, member of congress or United States senator to qualify and perform duties of office while in the employment of public service corporations. In attempting to secure consideration of this bill Senator Holsay said that he did not intend to reflect upon the character of any man in the state senate of Texas, but was only seeking to have corrected what he conceived to be a serious condition that exists in Texas at present. He believed the principle wrong.

The following bills were passed finally by the senate:

Bill granting Beaumont new charter; bill providing compensation for district attorneys; senate bill changing state reformatory to state training school. An attempt was made to exclude women as members of the board of managers of this institution, but it failed. House bill by Byrnes requiring railroads to have their repairing of equipment done in Texas; senate bill providing for investigation of penitentiary system, committee to be composed of three senators and four representatives; senate bill defining delinquent child and incorrigibles; senate bill increasing compensation of district judges for traveling expenses; by Weinert, to appropriate \$5,000 to build a monument to Gonzales, to mark the birthplace of Texas independence.

The senate confirmed the appointments sent up by the governor, of Galveston, Port Arthur and Sabine Pass pilot commissioners, also the appointment of F. S. Rogers as district attorney of Caldwell county.

George H. Barney of Ennis, assistant engrossing clerk, tendered his resignation to the senate, which was accepted.

These bills were introduced in the senate:

By Meachum: To amend the constitution so as to provide that all persons, to be qualified electors, must be able to read and write English, provided the act does not apply to persons or their descendants who qualified as voters prior to 1867.

By Peeler (request): To permit surety companies to form associations for mutual protection.

By Kelle: To encourage and foster the work of the state correspondence school.

By Veale: Making it an offense for a dealer in intoxicating liquors in local option districts to fail to report to the county clerk monthly the number of prescriptions filled.

By Peeler: To lease state property on the Colorado river to the Confederate Woman's home.

The senate judiciary committee No. 2 reported favorably the hunter's license bill; also wild bird game bill and anti-game shipment bill.

Internal improvements committee recommended that the Terrell (Bowie) bill, to place telephone and telegraph companies under the jurisdiction of the railroad commission, be referred to judiciary committee No. 2.

Hurled Into Ditch.

Comanche, Tex., Feb. 26.—A wagon driven by Captain James Alderice was hit by a Frisco railway switch engine. A horse was killed. The captain, who is fifty-seven years old, was hurled into a ditch. He sustained concussion of the brain and a leg was broken. His recovery is doubtful.

Mexican War Veteran Dies.

Dallas, Feb. 26.—At his residence, northwest of this city, where he had lived over forty years, John McCommas, a veteran of the Mexican war and also a Confederate soldier, passed away Friday morning. He was a prominent Dallas county farmer. He was eighty-one years old.

Cooper Former Resident of Waco.

Waco, Feb. 26.—Colonel Duncan B. Cooper, on trial at Nashville in connection with the killing of the late ex-Senator Carmack, was formerly engaged with Captain J. W. Stanberry in the dry goods business at Waco. Flavius Cooper, a brother, died in this state.

Taft For Tariff Revision.

New York, Feb. 26.—President Elect Taft declared in an interview in this city that a revision of the tariff is the primary requisite for the relief of the present business condition and expressed the hope that the revision will be accomplished by June 1.

For Irrigation Dam.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Representative Slayden introduced a bill to provide for the negotiation of a treaty with Mexico to permit dams in the Rio Grande for irrigation purposes.

**8%
EIGHT PER CENT**

IS THE INTEREST
YOU PAY

**THE
CITY NATIONAL
BANK**

WHY PAY MORE?

G. S. PARKER, President
E. H. ASTIN, Vice Pres.
J. N. COLE

A. W. WILKERSON, Cashier
E. W. CRENSHAW, Asst. Cashier
J. W. ENGLISH

CAPTURED AT LAST.

Attempts to Stab Thirty-Sixth Woman When Officers Arrest Him.

Berlin, Feb. 26.—The man who during the last fortnight has been making attacks on women on the streets was captured Friday morning. He made an attempt to stab a woman on a crowded shopping street. The clothing of the victim was cut, but the woman suffered no harm. Her assailant was captured by a policeman. He is a young man and not yet identified. His last attempt was the thirty-sixth since the beginning of the outrages.

Searching For Girl.

Fort Worth, Feb. 26.—Arkansas relatives are here searching for Lida Foutay, aged fourteen, who mysteriously disappeared a week ago after starting from Fort Worth to her father's home in a small Arkansas town. Relatives fear the girl met with foul play. The family is prominent.

Buys an Island.

Shreveport, Feb. 26.—The Texas company purchased Grigsby Island, nearly 1,000 acres, two miles south of Shreveport, supposedly to establish a skimming plant or refinery, to prepare oil for shipment by barge on Red river to New Orleans.

New High Wheat Marks.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—A new record mark for the season was established in the wheat pit when May delivery sold at \$1.17 3/4 per bushel and July at \$1.05 3/4. The price for May delivery was within 4 cents of the best market reached during the memorable Gates campaign in 1905, when the price touched \$1.21 1/2.

Due to Gas Explosion.

Columbus, O., Feb. 26.—Fires which started in the fourth story of the building occupied by the Brunswick Bowling company spread to the five-story brick building occupied by Tracy, Wells & Co., and destroyed it with its contents. The total loss is placed between \$200,000 and \$300,000. The fire was started by a gas explosion.

Turner Ranch Sold.

Houston, Feb. 26.—The Turner ranch, one of the last of the larger ranches of this section, ten miles north of the city, was sold by L. M. Scofield to Rider & Co. of St. Louis, for \$250,000. The land comprises 20,000 acres.

Gasoline Causes House to Burn.

Texarkana, Feb. 26.—The explosion of a gasoline tank caused a fire which consumed the residence of F. S. Hix. The family barely escaped.

Groceries, Garden Seed, Poultry.

These are our leaders. No better Groceries anywhere. Garden Seed bought in bulk, therefore pure and fresh. Poultry and eggs always on hand.

C. E. Bullock & Co.

WE LOAN MONEY

AT **5%** ON

LONG TIME

The Jackson Loan & Trust Co.

120 West Capitol Street, Jackson, Mississippi.

SEE R. O. BOUNDS, AT MILLER HOUSE

WATCH FOR GREATER REDUCTIONS

In Our

Big Grocery Sale

ALL FRESH STOCK

Will S. Higgs