FALL GARDENS ARE NOW ORDER OF DAY WITH ARDMORE FOLK

'Twas Mark Twain who sung, in tuneful lay of summer's gardens passed away, and of the following trooping ills which marched along in grocers' bills. And warbling of the sinful size of canned goods awesome, fearsome size, he mourned for onions, passed away, for "beans sublime, oh, where are they?"

But then Mark never knew this clime, this land of hope and bright sunshine, this land where gardens in the fall can knock the growers' prices, tall; else he'd have grabbed a hoe and spade and crawled from out the gallery's shade and planted, 'gainst these high-price dubs fall lettuce, onions, beans and spuds.

The fall garden will go a long way toward solving the high-cost-of-living problem, according to a statement made by Eugene Woerz, a representative business man of Ardmore.

Mr. Woertz says that the seasonable rains of the past few days, has put the soil in excellent condition for seeding and that the season here is amply long for late, or fall gardens to mature and add to the family bill of fare before the coming of killing frosts.

The soil in this section of Carter county is, the gentleman says, peculiarly adapted to the successful cultivation of all kinds of garden plants and vegetables, while the seasons are such that, with intensive cultivation, as above stated, all will mature within a reasonably short time.

He suggested that lettuce, onions, radishes and bunch beans might receive particular attention, pointing out that these vegetables mature very soon after their first germination, and that they are particularly appetizing and make excellent dishes for both the home and the restaurant tables. In addition to this everyone knows that home-grown, or fresh vegetables are far better than the very best in the canned line can be.

It is said that many of the real old timers in this city, as well as in the surrounding country, have already planted good fall gardens from which, within a few weeks, the family tables will be supplied.

ATLANTA IS EXPECTING 100,000 PEOPLE AT THE CONFEDERATE REUNION

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 27.—More than 100,000 people from every part of the nation are expected to attend the 24th annual reunion of United Confederate Veterans in Atlanta, October 7, 8, 9 and 10. For several reasons, the reunion will be the most significant these grand old men of the South have known since they furled their tattered banners more than half a century ago. For one thing it is the first reunion since the world war and it will be in the nature of a big peace jubilee. For another, it may be the last time the soldiers who followed Lee and Jackson raise their voices together in the "rebel yell," for the number is growing smaller every year, the veterans are getting less and less able to travel, and another twelve-month may see the reunion custom ended.

For still a third reason, the reunion will be unwontedly big because the United States government is granting a cheap rate on the railroads of 1 cent a mile. This rate may be secured both going and coming by anyone who presents a certificate showing his official connection with the reunion, whether he be a veteran, a relative of a veteran, a member of the Sons of Confederate Veterans or other organization associated with the reunion.

The Sons of Veterans and the Confederate Memorial Association, founded by the women of the south in 1865, will hold their conventions jointly with the reunion, thus adding to the size of the crowd and the brilliance of the occasion.

All visitors to Atlanta will be entertained royally. The people of the Georgia capital have subscribed a fund of $60,000 to finance the balls, the parade, and other functions of the reunion. The veterans themselves will be cared for in the homes of the people. At some reunions they have had to sleep in tents and many of them suffered from cold and wet. Nothing of the kind will happen in Atlanta. Already hundreds of Atlantians have volunteered to take one or more veterans as their guests during the reunion, and a campaign will be launched next week to secure homes for 10,000 or more veterans. At the same time, a canvass of the city will be made to secure accommodations for other visitors. The hotels will incerase their accommodations and have pledged themselves not to raise their rates. Boarding houses and private homes where guests will be accommodated will be tabulated, so that the minute a visitor arrives he will be informed by the reception committee exactly where he will find "home" awaiting him.

While the veterans will be entertained in the homes of the people, at the same time they will have a camp of their own where they can assemble for lunch and supper and talk over the old days of 61-65.

The business sessions of the reunion will be held at Atlanta's auditorium-armory, which has a seating capacity of more than 8,000. Two blocks from the auditorium is the state capital, and its spacious grounds, by agreement of Governor Dorsey, will be made into an encampment for the veterans. A street on one side will be roped off and turned into a commissary, where lunch and supper will be served the veterans free.

Atlanta is looking forward to the veterans' reunion as she has to no occasion in the past 40 years. She has not forgotten that in 1864 it was these same men who gallantly defended her against Sherman's hosts. Only once before in her history did the veterans hold their reunion here, and that was 21 years ago. Her people feel that they owe a debt of gratitude to the veterans which they can never repay, but what it takes to show their appreciation they will have ready when the first old hero steps off the train on October 7.

POLICE CHIEF SAYS LOAFERS MUST WORK OR JOIN STREET GANG

Officer Jake Williams, who was shot and wounded Tuesday morning by an unknown negro, is resting easy at the Hardy Sanitarium, where it is reported that he will be able to be out within a few days, if no serious complications arise.

The police officers picked up 23 negroes in the drag in an effort to secure the right one, but last night all these were released from the county jail, wherein they had been confined.

The real offender has not been apprehended up to date, but he is known and his arrest is looked for at any time.

Chief of Police Chancellor states that there is going to be a general cleaning out of that part of the city on East Main street, known as the "hollow" or "dive," and the idle negroes were either going to work for their own benefit or they would work the streets for the benefit of the city.

The chief has instructed all officers to see that this order is carried out.

OKLAHOMA'S ASSESSED VALUE IS RAISED BY NEARLY HALF-BILLION

Oklahoma City, Aug. 27.—At the conclusion of the meeting of the state board of equalization yesterday afternoon it was estimated that, after a hearing was granted to each county, nearly half a billion dollars had been added to the assessed valuation of the state. Last year the total assessed valuation was, in round numbers, one and one-half billions.

What the levy will be is the next question that is of prime interest to the taxpayers. State Auditor Carter is of the opinion that it will be necessary to advance the levy to the statutory limit, three and one-half mills, to raise a sufficient amount to meet the state's expense. Other members do not agree with Auditor Carter. Several hold that with the increase in the assessed valuation the levy can remain as it was last year, two and one-half mills.

Through yesterday, as on the previous day, there was an element of "give and take" in the action of the board. In almost every instance the county commissioners and assessors present to offer protest to the various increases asked by the state board, recognized that the assessment in certain classifications was too low, but rigidly objected to increases on other classifications. In this the state board exercised its prerogative and equalized and as a result the assessed valuation over the state has been increased about thirty-three and one-third per cent but still the claims of those counties which had specific classifications of properties in at what was believed to be a reasonable figure were recognized.

At the two-day session of the state board there were, from time to time, from 100 to 150 men present to represent their respective counties. The sessions were held in the hall of the house of representatives and as the roll of counties was called its representations were presented by a member of the board of county commissioners or the county assessor and immediate action was taken upon each county in the rotation in which the names of the counties were given.

In the absence of Governor Robertson Acting Governor Trapp presided at the deliberations of the board.

CHAS. W. RICHARDS PLANS BIGGEST YEAR IN ARDMORE SCHOOLS

Prof. C. W. Richards returned Tuesday from an extended visit with friends in Tennessee, Georgia and Mississippi. He stated that he enjoyed his visit to the older states very much.

While away Professor Richards was called upon several times to address educational bodies and he ever responded through enlightening his hearers by describing the schools and school system of Oklahoma.

Mr. Richards is making preparations for the opening of city schools September 15th. Previous to the opening, a week's teachers' institute will be conducted here.

Mr. Richards says that he is prepared to introduce many new innovations into the Ardmore city schools the coming year, and will add features that will materially raise the standard of Ardmore schools, which is already high.

He states that he has surrounded himself with a corps of able teachers, and every department of both the high school and the ward schools will be looked after by the same competent painstaking teachers as they have been in the past.

Mr. Richards says that he is going to make a supreme effort to make the coming year the best in the school's history and those who know him, and who know his ability as an educator, know that he will accomplish his purpose.

ARDMORE WILL FEED RETURNING SOLDIERS ON SUNDAY EVENING

The Chamber of Commerce has worked out a plan for feeding the soldiers who will be in Ardmore Sunday night from Fort Sill, and everything will be in readiness to receive the troopers provided the plan devised by Secretary Paul B. Smith materializes.

It has been decided to serve the lunches at the canteen, at the union station, by the ladies of the canteen committee and Red Cross.

These ladies will be expected to prepare and disburse the lunch, after they have been provided with funds to defray expenses, by the Chamber of Commerce committee.

The Chamber of Commerce has drafted men to act as collectors of this fund, and while none of them have been notified that they have been impressed into service it is expected of them to serve. As soon as the members o. the committee reads this article they are expected to communicate with the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce and notify him of their acceptance.

The city has been divided into districts, with two men appointed to each district, who are expected to get the money and not excuses. The collectors will not accept less than one dollar donations, nor will they take one for over five, but they do expect to get enough to make up the required amount which is said to be about $300.

Another thing the secretary wishes to impress upon the committee members is the fact that they are to get the money as they go, so as not to be compelled to make return trips. In this manner it is hoped to have the necessary amount raised, so that purchases of supplies may be made not later than Thursday night or Friday morning.

The districts and committees are as follows:

From B street west i the business districts, Don Cochran and W. W. Clemens; from B street east to Washington, not including the Simpson building, G. P. Selvidge and J. W. Krueger; Simpson building, Frank Sherwood and G. A. Ramsey; north side of Main, from Washington to Santa Fe railway, J. E. Hamilton and R. B. Gilbert; south side Main, from Washington to Santa Fe railway, E. D. Nelms and J. A. Moodey.

The ladies will receive their instructions from the Chamber of Commerce and will do their work thoroughly. It is now up to the committee to get the wherewithal to do it with.

NORMAN PHONE KICKER HAS NEW AND CRUEL WAY TO PUNISH THE EX-KAISER

Oklahoma City, Aug. 27.—Dozens of letters are being received at the office of the state corporation commission commending the action taken in the filing of a blanket complaint against the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company alleging inadequate and inefficient service. Some of the language written is more than expressive. One man, a resident of Norman, after setting out many complaints against the service said, in substance:

"They used to ask me how I would punish the kaiser. I have made up my mind that none of us had the right conception of real punishment. If it were up to me, I would put him down at a desk in Oklahoma and tell him to put in about 12 calls a day over these lines. If he still retained his reason at the end of 30 days I think it would be well to let him go without further penalty."

Complaints continue to pile up. Many of these are specific and may be used at the general hearing contemplated for early in September. Others of th.se are of a less specific nature but are calculated to indicate the public's impression of its lack of service.

Mayor Grows Hard-boiled

There were 12 cases before the mayor this morning, in municipal coura, The defendants we ercharged with various offences, and all paid the usual assessment to the court.

The mayor is getting hard-boiled, and says he is going to remain that way toward the parties who are repeatedly before him for violation of the city ordinances.

A neat little package of $19.00 and cost is the smallest unit the mayor reckons with during warm weather.

Sinaloa Bandit Is Dead

Mexico City, Aug. 27.—The death of Silverio Soto, a bandit leader who has been operating for some time in the state of Sinaloa, is reported in a communication to the war department by Lieut. Antonio Palazuelos, a federal army officer in that state.

PACKERS' AGENT DUBS TRADE COMMISSION THE "TIRADE" COMMISSION

Washington, Aug. 26.—"Unless we can be assured of more efficient and economical government control than was the case with the railroads, telegraph, and telephone companies, neither the producer nor consumer can hope to benefit from such legislation," Everett C. Brown, president of the National Livestock Exchange, which is composed of stockyards brokers, told the senate agricultural committee today. The witness appeared in opposition to the Kenyon and Kenrick bills, proposing license regulation of the packing industry, and transfer of refrigerator cars and stockyards.

Mr. Brown took exception to testimony given before the committee by Federal Trade Commissioner Clover and remarked that "in our great industry, it has seemed more proper to speak of the 'tirade' commission than the trade commission."

"The witness," he said, in referring to Mr. Clover, stated the socalled independent packers existed merely at the sufferance of the large packers. If this be true, how does he account for the fact that at many of our great markets the independents repeatedly and aggressively set the pace in buying livestock. Would the so-called 'trust' voluntarily permit the continuation of such expensive 'sufferance?'

"Livestock is today the one farm product assured of a daily cash market. Anything which would disturb this condition would be ruinous to the producers."

Refrigerator car development Mr. Brown classed as "a bright spot in the history of the packing industry, and urged caution in legislating upon their use.

"The federal control act gave the railroad administration the right to take over these cars, but they carefully refrained from doing so," he said. "The interstate commerce commission after careful study confessed that only inefficiency could result from turning the cars over to the railroads."

Ownership of the stockyards by the packers, Mr. Brown said, was not a cause for objection by shippers so long as competition was maintained and yard charges were reasonable.

Proctor Preliminary in Progress

The preliminary hearing of the Proctor brothers alleged slayers of Ray Massad at Healdton one day last week, is being conducted before Judge Winfrey this afternoon.

The state and defendants have a large number of witnesses to be examined and it will be well toward night before the preliminary trial is finished.

County Attorney Brown is being assisted in the case by Judge Ben F. Williams of Norman, who is said to be one of the best criminal lawyers in Oklahoma.

ALL CITY AND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FAVOR DRUG-CURE HOSPITAL

City and county officials are considering the advisability of consulting state authorities relative to the establishment of a state institution where drug addicts may receive free treatment thereby giving them a cure of the course with which they are afflicted and a new lease of life as well.

Chairman Taylor of the board of county commissioners, is inclined to look with favor upon such a move and is backed by the other members of the board who are willing to do everything in their power to accomplish this end.

Ardmore is unfortunately situated with reference to drug addicts. It is close to Texas cities that oftimes run their victims out of town, and it is but natural for them to seek refuge in Oklahoma.

The result is that hundreds are before the Ardmore city court every year who do not belong to Ardmore. They add to the worries of the city and county officers who try to keep the numbers of drug addicts here down to a minimum.

Just what action will be taken in this county toward this end is problematical, but there is an element here who are willing to go their limit toward providing a place for these poor unfortunates by giving them a chance of being cured.

It is said that a cure under proper conditions can be effected in from four to six weeks. If this be so there are many charitably inclined in Ardmore, who would gladly donate their bit to cure at least one of these.

Passing of "Choc"

Police Chief Chancellor is making it hard sledding for the various and sundry "choc" brewers of Ardmore.

"Choc" plants are discovered nearly every day and destroyed and the old offenders have been put out of business by financial failures. They could not make enough to pay fines and maintain plants besides, so gave up the ghost.