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## THE HERALD'S COMPLIMENTS TO ITS PATRONS.

The Herald has had printed on a number of large desk blotters the cut and description of the new Cameron County Court House which appeared in the issue of Saturday, Jan. 13, and is distributing them, with its compliments, to Herald patrons. Any subscriber wishing one of these souvenirs may obtain it by calling at The Herald office. The pictures show up quite handsomely on the soft surface of the white blotter, and some who have received them have tacked them on the wall instead of using them as desk blotters.

## ROOM FOR IMPROVEMENT.

While on the subject of building court houses - It would not be a bad idea for Uncle Sam to enlarge the federal court accommodations at Brownsville. Not only is the court room small and lacking in the dignity and impressiveness that a federal court should possess, but the custom-house accommodations in general, and particularly the postoffice also might well be enlarged and improved. There is ample room on the site of the federal building for a considerable addition, and it may be advisable for Brownsville to seek to secure an appropriation for the enlargement of the building. The rapid growing of the town and correspondingly increased tax upon the facilities of Uncle Sam's various department accommodations here will soon necessitate an expansion, and it would be well to secure the improvement in time.

## A PRACTICAL COMMENTARY

The president's message, a synopsis of which appears in The Herald this morning, is an able paper, indicating careful, almost prayerful study of the principles of economy on the part of our chief executive. The enlightened democrat, however, will see it is an exceedingly practical commentary on Mr. Hitchcock's plan for government ownership of telegraph lines. The president calls attention to the woeeful waste in the administration of the several departments of the executive side of our affairs. Due to various causes but chiefly to inefficiency in the office work of the government, the people whose business it is to do Now, in the one hundred and thirty-sixth year of our national existence, it appears that the business of the nation is so lamely conducted that one small commission is able to effect economic reforms in the mere management of the clerical force of the departments that will amount to \$2,000,000 a year.

We are informed that it cost one department \$5.84 per thousand to handle incoming mail, while another department paid \$84.40 for the same service. One department expended \$5.94 per thousand to handle outgoing mail, and another paid \$69.89 for the same service.

Waiving therefore all question of the abstract wisdom or unwisdom of government ownership of public utilities, the average democrat is disposed to ask how far a government so equipped and so conducted is in a position to handle efficiently either the great telegraph lines or any of

the other vast concerns that are included in the socialistic program of government ownership.

Have you paid your poll tax, Mr Voter?

Only twelve more days in which to pay the poll tax and retain your vote.

Only twelve more days in which to pay your property tax and avoid the ten per cent penalty. Better see the tax collector, if you haven't already settled.

Now that Brownsville has pure drinking water and clean baths, she is not ashamed to invite guests to visit her. And when she completes the paying in the business district, and builds that \$300,000 tourist hotel, she will be clamoring for the next national democratic nominating convention.

## CARNIVAL WILL CONTINUE.

Arrangement to Extend It Until Saturday Night.

Although the Midwinter Fair was concluded last night the Reiss carnival will be continued at the fair grounds grounds until Saturday night. This was arranged last night at a meeting of the fair directors and Mr. Reiss. The association will still have the gate receipts, charging ten cents admission each night as formerly. There will be no charge for admission during the day. Mr. Reiss expects to go from here to San Benito with his shows.

New attractions are promised by the carnival daily during the remainder of the engagement here, and three more night of fun are anticipated by the devotees of the Pleasure Path, which has been such a popular feature of the Midwinter Fair.

**Lay Water Mains Monday.**—N. E. Rendall, the contractor, has informed members of the water and light committee that he will be ready to begin laying the new water mains Monday. Mr. Rendall expects to complete the laying of the new mains through those streets which are to be paved by Feb. 15. The work of paving probably will begin about that date.

## Laid at Rest.

The funeral and interment of little Virginia McDavitt occurred yesterday afternoon at four o'clock from the family residence on St. Charles street. As announced, it was private, only the family and a few very intimate friends being present. Rev. Dr. L. R. Burrell and Rev. G. M. McDougall conducted the funeral services jointly. Interment was made in the city cemetery. Many beautiful flowers were sent by sympathizing friends to adorn the tiny white casket and the grave in which the beloved little one was laid at rest.

## FOR A' THAT AND A' THAT.

Is there for honest poverty  
Who hangs his head, and a' that?  
The coward slave, we pass him by;  
We dare be poor for a' that.  
For a' that and a' that,  
Our toils obscure, and a' that;  
The rank is but the guinea's stamp,  
The man's the gowd for a' that.

What though on hamely fare we dine  
Wear hoddin' gray and a' that?  
Gie fools their silks and knaves their wine—  
A man's a man for a' that.

For a' that, and a' that,  
Their sinels show, and a' that;  
The honest man, though e'er sae poor,  
Is king o' men for a' that.

Ye see you birkie ca'd a lord,  
Wha struts and stears and a' that?  
Though hundreds worship at his word,  
He's but a coof for a' that;

For a' that, and a' that;  
His ribbon star and a' that;  
The man of independent mind,  
He looks and laughs at a' that.

A prince can mak a belted knight,  
A marquis, duke and a' that;  
But an honest man's aboon his might—  
Guid faith, he maunna fa' that!

For a' that and a' that,  
Their dignities, and a' that.  
The pith o' sense and pride o' worth,  
Are higher ranks than a' that.

Then let us pray that come it may—  
As come it will for a' that—  
That sense and worth o'er a' the earth,  
May bear the gree and a' that.  
For a' that and a' that,  
It's coming yet, for a' that—  
When man to man, the world o'er,  
Shall brothers be for a' that.

## Not Likely.

No, comparatively, gentle reader, we do not think Mr. Roosevelt would rather write than be president.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

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## KING RANCH CATTLE FOR BRAZIL.

Contract to Furnish 800 Head in the Spring.

Corpus Christi, Jan. 17.—Arrangements have been made by one of the foremen from the 9,000,000-acre ranch in Brazil of which Murdo MacKenzie, a former Texan, is manager, with the King ranch near here to help stock the big ranch in Brazil with Texas cattle. Eight hundred head of cattle have been contracted for and the shipment will go forward sometime early in the spring through the Galveston port.

## MADE OF HARD WOOD FROM RIO GRANDE VALLEY

Pedestal Displayed at Midwinter Fair Shows Eight Kinds of Native Woods.

One of the exhibits displayed in the Art department at the Midwinter Fair which deserves special mention is a pedestal made from a collection of the Lower Rio Grande valley. Eight varieties were used in the construction of this pedestal, including ebony, brazil, cat-claw, china guallacan, ash, mulberry and mesquite.

This piece of work was executed by Richard Miller, he having collected and prepared all the woods himself. Mr. Miller's object was to use this pedestal to illustrate the different woods of this section and how they might be utilized for fine cabinet work, whereas most of them are used daily as fuel throughout the Valley.

## W. O. W. BID ON COURT HOUSE BONDS.

The report of the award of the county court house bond issue of \$200,000, published in yesterday's Herald, erred in stating the amount of the premium offered by the Woodmen of the World, which was \$1,000, instead of \$500 as reported. The correction is made at the request of B. E. Hinkley, state organizer of the order, who made the bid on the bond issue for the W. O. W.

## TAYLOR'S BEST PLAY

Speaking of "Our Attorney," one of the plays which the Albert Taylor company will put on at Brownsville next week, the Dallas Morning News of Sept. 27, last, says: "In 'Our Attorney' Albert Taylor has one of the best comedies of his career, and in the character of 'Patrick,' Taylor is doing very superior work, which is saying much, as Taylor has long since been rated as one of the most artistic and intelligent actors on the American stage."

## WEATHER.

Meteorological data for 24 hours ending at 7 a. m. today:  
Barometer at 7 p. m. yesterday, 30.4  
Barometer at 7 a. m. today, 29.92  
Temp. at 7 a. m. today, 61.8  
Maximum Temp. yesterday, 74.5  
Minimum Temp. this morning, 58.4  
West Texas, Cloudy in the south, and probably snow in the north portion Thursday. Colder with cold wave in the Panhandle. Friday probably fair. East Texas, rain Thursday. Much colder by night. Cold wave in north and central portions. Friday fair and colder in the south.

## Real Estate Transfers.

The following warranty deeds were filed for record at the County Clerk's office, yesterday:  
E. G. Alexander and wife, to A. J. Ernest et al. south half of Survey, No. 41, Consideration \$3,100.  
E. H. Smith and W. H. Morrison to Mrs. Fra F. Clark, lot No. 12 in block 19 of Rio Hondo Park town-site for \$500.

Walter J. Jacobson et al. to John T. Holland, the west half of block No. 48 E. & B. Fernandez grant, \$10,500.

T. W. Goodell, to J. T. Vineyard, a portion of block No. 37 of the San Benito Land and Water company's survey, \$76.

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