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## CONTEST FOR CONTRACTS.

### Rates Accorded Railroads for Carrying Mails Make Them Worth Trying For.

The speed contests between the various railroads of the West and the Southwest, under the direction of the government, the purpose of which is to decide the postal department in awarding mail contracts, brings up another important question upon which Bryan's Commoner submits these remarks:

"It is announced that some time this spring the government will weigh the mails west of the Missouri river for the purpose of fixing the compensation the railroads shall receive during the next four years for carrying the mails. The weighing will occupy about 100 days. The railroads will be paid for four years on a basis of what is carried during the weighing period. This plan makes it easy to pad the mails during the weighing period. It has been charged time and again that during the mail weighing season the mails have been loaded down with public documents sent out under congressional frank and shipped from point to point, weighed and reweighed time and again during the weighing season. That the payments made the railroads for transporting the mails are responsible for the deficit in the postal department is well known. Forty millions of dollars are paid every year to railroad corporations for mail service. Pound for pound the railroads charge 800 per cent, more for mail carrying than they do for express carrying, and instead of furnishing cars as they do for express carrying, they charge Uncle Sam a rental for the mail cars that annually equals the cost of the cars, and in many cases exceeds it."

### Little Katherine Bandy.

At twenty minutes past two Saturday morning, February 10, the spirit of little Katherine Bandy, took its flight to the God who gave it.

This sweet little babe whose life on earth numbered six months and four days, had been a great sufferer her entire life, until death came to her relief as a result of pneumonia, contracted Wednesday morning.

To the heart broken parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lockard Bandy, and many others whose idol she was, the heartfelt sympathy of many friends is extended.

The funeral services were conducted Saturday afternoon at 3:30 at the family residence, by Rev. M. B. Umsted of the Methodist church, the burial following at the Walnut Grove cemetery.

### Thrown Down a Bluff.

Eureka Springs, Feb. 9.—Harry Kimberling, the 8-year-old son of Arch Kimberling, proprietor of the Crescent Transfer Company of this city, met with a serious accident today, which came near resulting in his death. While snowballing with some companions and being chased by them he ran into a swiftly moving electric car, which knocked him headlong down a bluff, rendering him unconscious. Physician pronounced his condition not necessarily fatal.

### Davis at Jonesboro.

Jonesboro, Feb. 9.—Governor Davis addressed a large crowd of ladies and gentlemen at Malone Theater last night. Nothing new developed. He spoke along the usual lines of his form-

er speeches. He paid his respects to Attorney-General Robert L. Rogers, who is a candidate for governor, and to the boodlers in the last legislature. He said in about sixty days Cook and Cox and others who had been indicted would be in the penitentiary. He claimed that this county went against him two years ago unfairly, and said the machinery now was against him, but he demanded that he be given a representation in the selection of judges, and asked Dr. B. L. Harrison and Walker Higginbotham to furnish them with a list. He spoke for two hours.

### Relief Society Report.

I beg leave to submit my annual report of the fiscal year ending January 15, 1906:

#### RECEIPTS.

Hotels, banks and Wolff-Goldman boxes.....	\$ 10.68
W. H. Barnes & Co. Xmas gift.....	10.00
Elks Christmas gift.....	25.00
Coll. from members and others.....	166.20
Thanksgiving gift.....	6.00
House rent for 1905.....	72.00
Sold sewing machine.....	20.00
Amount to Bal.....	116.74
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$426.62</b>

#### EXPENDITURES.

Grocery bill.....	\$114.55
Dry goods.....	32.07
Wood bill.....	12.00
Nurse for sick.....	78.50
Taxes for Mrs. B.....	14.25
Drummond for coffins.....	6.00
Rent for Mrs. S.....	6.00
Lee family.....	3.60
Railroad tickets.....	55.20
Drug bill.....	33.25
Cash.....	.85
Comm's. Mrs. S.....	8.80
Hauling.....	1.35
Board bill.....	18.55
Thanksgiving box.....	8.65
Christmas gifts.....	19.00
Papering 1 room in Relief house Rimmel Ave.....	5.00
Ins. 3 yrs. Relief house.....	9.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$426.62</b>

Very respectfully submitted.

LOU MINOR,  
Treasurer.

### Omission in State Digest.

Attorneys are now busy looking up an error recently discovered in the digests of the state laws, regarding the act regulating the sale of property under mortgages and deeds of trust, which may have more or less far reaching effect. The error occurs in an omission in section 5416, Kirby's digest, which omission, it is claimed, has been copied from Mansfield's and from Sandels & Hill's digests of the state laws. The omission, which is the last section of the amended act of March 17, 1879, and amended March 17, 1883, is as follows:

"And provided further that the mortgagor or mortgagors, grantor or grantors in any mortgage or deed of trust, when the sole consideration of the mortgage or deed of trust is money loaned to the mortgor, shall, if he or they desire, have the right to waive any and all rights of appraisal, sale or redemption provided for in this act, by a clause in said mortgage or deed of trust to that effect."

While it is a fact that the omission of the above clause does not change the law in regard to the matter, yet, it is stated, this omission might in some cases lead to adverse decisions. The clause in question, it is said, has never been repealed.—Democrat.

## CUTTING THE SCHEDULE.

### Gould Roads Puts On Still Faster Mail Service to Get Contract.

St. Louis, Feb. 9.—A persistent rumor was going the rounds in railroad circles here today to the effect that the Gould lines intended cutting off two more hours in the fast mail schedule between St. Louis and Dallas.

It was further stated that the Frisco-Katy combination had learned of this cut and that it would be promptly met. If such a schedule were carried out the Iron Mountain fast mail train, leaving St. Louis at 3 a. m., would probably have two engines to carry it through the hilly stretches in Missouri.

Then between Hoxie and Little Rock a much faster schedule would be carried out, and the fast mail would arrive in Little Rock probably an hour and fifteen minutes ahead of its present time. It would thus reach the Arkansas capital about ten o'clock, making the run of 345 miles in seven hours.

#### FAST TIME IN ARKANSAS.

The Gould officials, in figuring on a further cut, are said to have mapped out a schedule whereby the greater part of the two hours is lopped off in Arkansas, where the Iron Mountain has an excellent roadbed. Railroad men here expressed doubts as to whether the Frisco-Katy combination would be able to meet the cut.

On the Iron Mountain road the distance between St. Louis and Dallas is 686 miles. On the Frisco-Katy roads it is 657 miles, thus making the Iron Mountain route 29 miles longer than the other road. But the Iron Mountain tracks through to Texarkana are in much better shape than the Frisco-Katy and this advantage more than overcomes the 29 miles.

#### MAKES UP AN HOUR.

That the rumor was well grounded was proven Saturday when No. 7 passed Newport 48 minutes ahead of the late schedule. If the train does that well from here to San Antonio, the time should be reduced more than two hours.

### Candidate for Coroner.

J. C. Masters of near Elgin, Bird Township, requests the Independent to announce his candidacy for coroner of Jackson county, subject to the democratic primary.

Mr. Masters has been a resident of this county the past 25 years and has a wide acquaintance with whom he stands well. For 17 years he was in the mercantile business at Tuckerman, but for several years past has been farming in Bird Township. He is genial and pleasant and well qualified to make a good officer.

### Governor Sets Date.

Gov. Davis has issued a proclamation fixing February 27 as the date of execution for John Dow at Batesville, for murder in the first degree. He was convicted at the spring term, 1905, and sentenced to hang on December 15, 1905, but took an appeal to the Supreme court, which affirmed the lower court.

### Shooting On Train.

Hoxie, Feb. 9.—The news-butcher on an Iron Mountain passenger got into a difficulty with a passenger yesterday near Okean, resulting in the butcher shooting at him with a 38 Colts.



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No matter how little it cost you, if it doesn't tell you the right time. That kind of a watch would be dear if you got it for nothing.

A handsome case is desirable—but an accurate inside mechanism is absolutely INDISPENSABLE.

If you like you may put one of our \$15 works into a tin case, and you will have an excellent time-piece.

What we wish to point out is that the works are the watch, the case is the adornment.

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Call in and hear our arguments.

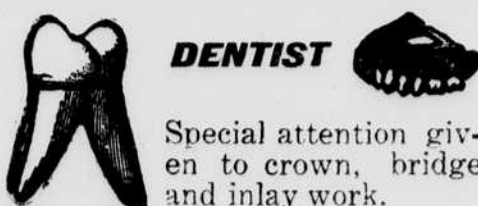
## Palace Jewelry Store

## Will not be Open long.

The chance to get the Daily Independent and either the Cosmopolitan or Woman's Home Companion for the price of our Daily, \$4.80, will not be open long. Many of our subscribers have taken advantage of this offer. If you have paid for the Daily for the month of January, \$4.40 will pay your subscription to the Daily Independent to January 1, 1907, and either magazine will be sent you FREE.

## Daily Independent.

## DR. HARRY E. DOWELL



### DENTIST

Special attention given to crown, bridge and inlay work.

Office over Chas. Meyer and Joyce's Drug Store.

J. H. Franklin and John P. Oliver, two Memphis traveling men, were on the train. Oliver's face was slightly powder burned, and the bullet cut through Franklin's hat. The passenger was unhurt, and the butcher escaped.

### NOW ON DISPLAY.

The grandest line of embroideries ever brought to Newport. See them at Chas. Meyer's Great Bargain Store. 43 btf

## ANNOUNCEMENT

It is with pleasure that we announce to you that we have become a fixture in this city, and we wish to thank you for your past favors and consideration which has brought this result and made this store a success and I assure you that we will always endeavor to merit your confidence by giving you always the best goods at the lowest possible price.

This store is your store, its policy is dictated and directed by your demands. It will grow and greaten only by pleasing you. Your every dollar weighs a full one hundred cents of value at all times.

Having closed out our entire damaged stock caused by the recent fire, finds us better equipped to serve your every fancy than ever before. Our Spring and Summer line is now in transit, and we will show a complete brand new stock. We are specialists in Men's Apparel and you will always find the correct styles here. Among the famous brands we handle are the Alfred Benjamin & Co. Correct Clothing, Manhattan Shirts, Crown Trousers, Knox, Stetson and Hawes Hats, Edwin Clapp Shoes, Adler Gloves, Waterhouse Cravats, Lord & Taylor Hosiery. We would be pleased to have you call in and inspect our line.

Thanking you for your kind consideration, we beg to remain

Very truly yours,

**Jos. M. Berger, Jr.**

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It's not too early to think of new Spring Embroideries and laces, and we are now showing a beautiful and extensive line of the newest creations in

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