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MORRIS SHEPPARD'S OPENING SPEECH.

Even a cursory reading of Congressman Morris Sheppard's speech at Paris yesterday makes manifest the fact that he thinks the race for the senate lies between him and Col. Jake Wolters, since he stresses the points of antagonism between them in the degree of their importance. For this reason he comes out strong for prohibition, devoting a large part of his speech to that issue, which, per se, has only an indirect connection with national politics, including the duties of a United States senator. It is true that what he said on this subject related chiefly to the necessity of prohibiting by national authority the shipment of intoxicating liquors into dry states and communities, to which there is no avowed opposition among Texas democrats. Colonel Wolters himself being committed to it; but Mr. Sheppard went somewhat out of his way in declaring that prohibition is the paramount issue in Texas. Although this is true as to state politics, it is not, or ought not to be the foremost question in the choice of a United States senator. Mr. Sheppard was under no obligation to make such a declaration nor to announce his intention to vote for Judge Ramsey for governor, and his doing so is creditable rather to his courage than to his judgment.

On all other questions Mr. Sheppard opposes Wolterism, which is Baileyism revamped, at every point, except that while he strongly favors the initiative, referendum and recall, he would modify the application of the latter to judges so as to exempt them from its operation because of their decisions, but only for incompetency, corruption, drunkenness or other personal misconduct. He added, however: "Impeachment proceedings could be made more certain and more satisfactory by making their institution obligatory on presentation to the legislature or congress of petitions signed by 25 per cent of the qualified voters in the jurisdiction over which the judge presides and setting forth adequate allegations for removal. All judges, state and federal, could in this way be made more responsible to the people."

This proposition will be satisfactory to most progressives, and if Judge Ramsey would make a similar declaration it would greatly strengthen his candidacy. In this connection it occurs to us that there is a striking contrast all the way through between Mr. Sheppard's defiant challenges to his opponent and Judge Ramsey's pussy-footing, very much to the advantage of the boy orator of Texarkana.

BRAVE FRANK HAYNE.

The cotton farmers owe a vote of thanks to Frank Hayne for his speech in the cotton conference at New Orleans yesterday. Mr. Hayne is now under indictment in the federal court of New York for alleged violation of the anti-trust law in promoting the now famous bull pool of 1909.

"Along with William P. Brown of New Orleans, Fugee Scales of Texas and James A. Patten of Chicago," said Mr. Hayne, "I was indicted by a federal grand jury in New York on the grave charge of having unduly added \$200,000,000 to the value of cotton in the South. It is some compensation to note before an audience of this kind the crime with which I am charged does not bring upon me any disgrace. "I shall be proud to go to jail if I have in any way aided in the enhancement of the value of the South's product. But, if what we did in New York is decided to be a violation of the law, then I say, God help the Southern farmer. It would mean that the man who buys and sells what he has not got is to be praised and that the man who buys to help the people among whom he has lived is to be condemned. "The South this year," said Mr. Hayne, "probably will receive \$350,000,000 less for its crop of cotton than it received for the crop of the year previous. Those figures are astounding, yet the press comment of the country regarding them is meager. The press and the public stand aghast at the announcement of a reduction of \$20 a share on Steel stock, representing a paper loss of \$100,000,000, yet that loss may be only temporary and with a subsequent rise in the price of steel will be fully recovered. On the other hand, every bale of cotton which has been marketed to date this year at the ridiculously low price obtained represents a loss to the farmer and to the South which can not be retrieved."

Through the earnest co-operation of the varied interests of the South, Mr. Hayne said that effort to restore a normal price for cotton would be successful.

A BRICKBATLET AND A BOUQUET.

The Christian Commonwealth, a religious paper published at Madisonville, says: "Hon. Sheb Williams, chairman of the state democratic committee, is out in a card in which he opposes a primary next spring to determine the choice of democrats for president. We felt assured all along that politicians of the Colquitt, Wolters and Williams stripe would prevent, if possible, a primary for either president or United States senator. The truth is, the voters of Texas will have to deal with a pretty mean set next year; but they ought to demand their rights."

The Eagle favors giving the people a chance to express their choice for president and for senator; but in the absence of proof it is uncharitable and unchristian to attribute bad motives to those who do not agree with us or to assume that all the "meaness" is on one side. Remember, brother, the "charity thinketh no evil."

But there is good sense and sound reason in this suggestion from the same paper: "If governors are invariably to be re-elected at the end of their first terms, even when undesirable, why not elect them for two terms in the first instance and save expense?"

The announcement that Wu Ting Fang has accepted the important position of director of foreign affairs in the new government of China and his statement of the plans and purposes of the revolutionists will do more than any other thing that has yet occurred to inspire confidence abroad. Heretofore he has stood aloof because he favored a constitutional monarchy, but now that he has yielded to the imperative demands of the situation and espoused the cause of the republic, well informed people all over the world begin to hope that a republic in China is not impossible. This incident is another illustration of the great truth stated by Patrick Henry: "In the beginning we aimed not at independence, but there is a divinity that shapes our ends." When a great movement gets started no man can control it.

The San Antonio Republic (republican organ) cottons up to Joe Bailey and his bunch of reactionaries more insistently than ever. The Republic knows where they belong and where they are bound to go, sooner or later. The editor of the Republic knows how to sympathize with the republicans in the democratic party, for he once traveled the road himself and he wants to show them the way.

The urgent call for every member of the good roads committee of the Commercial Club to meet with the county commissioners in Judge Board's office Monday morning at 10 o'clock should be heeded by everyone concerned. The man, however busy, who can not spare a few minutes of his time for the public good when called on to do so, is too selfish to be a good citizen.

Agricultural Commissioner Kone favors the opinion that cotton is immature when picked and should be held for two months before ginning. He says: "When cotton is first picked it is immature. If not ginned for two months the staple will continue to grow from the seed and increase not only in length but in strength and other desirable qualities. It should always be kept some time before ginning." This an important matter and every farmer should satisfy himself of its truth or erroneous-ness. He can do this by trying it for himself or the members of any local farmers' organization can co-operate in making the experiment.

A few days ago an intelligent farmer remarked to the editor of The Eagle that he was tired of being told how to raise corn and cotton, he could raise more now than he could sell for a remunerative price. What the farmers want, he continued, is help at the other end of the line. If the professors, the editors and the politicians really want to help the farmer the way to do it is to kill the bears, for it is they that are devouring his substance.

Some of the fellows on the street don't neglect any chance to hand The Eagle a hot roast—in an underhand way. With forty years experience behind him, the editor has learned to expect that. He has learned, too, that the roasters are not all bad; they do it because publicity interferes with their schemes, or those of their friends.

There are real estate owners in Bryan the value of whose holdings has been increased at least fifty per cent through the efforts of the Commercial Club, yet they not only refuse to do anything to help the club but give it a knock or a kick whenever they can. This is passing strange but lamentably true.

Woodrow Wilson has all of Roosevelt's good qualities without the latter's egotism, vanity and recklessness.

It now transpires that the justification of the anti over the supposed repudiation of prohibition by a majority of the people of Maine was premature. The corrected returns show a majority for prohibition of 758 votes. This announcement is made by Governor Plaistead, who is an anti-prohibitionist, and is the last word in the affair.

Louis J. Wortham is reported to have said in New York that in Texas the prohibitionists are for Wilson and the anti for Harmon. If Colonel Wortham said this he is either badly informed or misstated the facts. Prohibition has nothing to do with it and only a little bunch of standpatters are for Harmon.

The woman who most thoroughly despises her erring sister is the woman who has never been tempted because she is not attractive enough to invite temptation. Of course, there are many women whose virtue is impregnable, but if they have been tempted they can sympathize with their weaker sisters.

Criticizing The Eagle for spelling kosmos with a "k" the Beaumont Enterprise says: "We are thankful that we know how to spell kosmos." Webster gives both forms. Doesn't the Enterprise know that it is a Greek word and that the Greek has no equivalent for the English letter "c"?

The democratic theatrical managers are advertising a return engagement of the landslide of 1910 to be put on the boards in 1912, with Woodrow Wilson playing the star role, supported by a strong company of progressives, most of whom will appear behind the footlights for the first time.

More than a hundred school children have opened accounts with the postal savings bank in San Antonio. Some people don't think this has anything to do with their education, but it is a very important part of it. Such training is the best possible to make business men and women.

"If someone should say he had an invention that would cook a la carte meals in Bryan and serve the editor in Goree in fifteen minutes, we would not doubt it," says the Goree Enterprise. Yes, that's the kind of a live wire Bryan is, and the world is beginning to find it out.

Champ Clark has talked himself out of all prospects of ever getting the democratic nomination for the presidency. Since he quit the Chautauque lecture platform every time he opens his mouth he puts his foot in it, as they used to say in East Tennessee.

The movement to combine religion with business is all right provided it be the right kind of religion and the right kind of business. The kinds of each that won't blend harmoniously aren't worth having—in fact, the less we have of them the better.

The Temple Telegram's suggestion to swap the Philippines for Canada would meet with favor in this country if it were practicable, but everybody knows we would have to whip both Old England and Canada before they would agree to make the trade.

The Grand Saline Sun says Governor Colquitt will open his campaign after the new year, and it will be a hot one. Prohibition is the only issue between Governor Colquitt and Judge Ramsey. Is the governor going to start a conflagration on that?

Prof. Bergman of Breslau says American women are becoming reptilian in their characteristics. The German savant is wrong. He may have met some American women who were cold-blooded, but none of them ever hibernate.

The Chicago police say society women in that city must quit playing poker and the society women say they won't. The public may never find out which gets the best of it, but our six bits goes on the women.

The movement launched yesterday by the joint action of the county commissioners and the good roads committee is one of the most important ever undertaken in Brazos county.

Texas democrats may not get the presidential primary this year, but if they don't they will get those who beat them out of it as soon as they get a chance.

Clarence Ousley reminds us of the coy maiden who enjoys being wooed. He is putting off saying "Yes" as long as possible though his heart has been won.

The political delirium rampant in about half the states today reminds us that one thing to be thankful for that Texas has no election this year.

Col. Jake Wolters must be running for the senate on hi record as a fist-cuff fighter or as an anti-prohibitionist, for her has no other record to run on.

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The man who pays his bills from his pocket may be suspected of living from hand to mouth.  
 The man who has a Bank account and pays his bills by check is the man who is making a success of life.

**The First National Bank of Bryan**  
 invites accounts from corporations, firms and individuals.

HARMON SAYS DEMOCRATIC LANDSLIDE

Massachusetts, Kentucky and New Mexico and Other Doubtful States Give Democratic Majorities.

The earliest news from yesterday's elections indicated that neither side had anything to shout over, but later returns were rather more favorable to the democrats, making it certain that they carried Massachusetts, Kentucky and New Mexico. This was partly offset by a republican victory in Maryland and the election of a republican legislature in New York. The latter defection, however, is interpreted as a protest of honest men of all parties against the corrupt influence of Tammany in the last session of the legislature, in which the democrats had a majority. In the Ohio municipal elections the principal cities all chose democratic mayors, which is construed as unfavorable to President Taft. The democratic majority in New Mexico was surprisingly large, many republican strongholds having changed their political allegiance.

**Governor Harmon's Prediction.**  
 [By Associated Press.]  
 Columbus, Ohio, Nov. 8.—Basing his opinion on the results in Massachusetts, Kentucky, Ohio and other doubtful states where democratic candidates were elected yesterday, Governor Harmon today predicted a national democratic landslide next year.

**Son of His Father Defeated.**  
 [By Associated Press.]  
 Baltimore, Md., Nov. 8.—Returns this morning indicate the election of Goldsborough (republican) for governor over Gorman (democrat) by about 4000.

The constitutional amendment for the disfranchisement of negroes appears to have been decisively defeated. In New York city Tammany's influence was shaken but not broken.

**New Mexico Strongly Democratic.**  
 [By Associated Press.]  
 Albuquerque, N. M., Nov. 8.—The complete triumph of the democratic ticket is indicated by today's returns. Reports of decreased republican majorities come from counties that are usually strongly republican.

**Reform Ticket Wins.**  
 [By Associated Press.]  
 Philadelphia, Pa., Nov. 8.—The independent republican mayoralty candidate, Rudolph Blankenbrug, is elected on the reform ticket.

EVAN JONES SUICIDES AT WEATHERFORD

[By Associated Press.]  
 Weatherford, Texas, Nov. 8.—Evan Jones, Sr., a contractor and builder, killed himself this morning with a shotgun. He leaves a widow and eight children.

MYSTERIOUS KILLING AT GRANDBURY

Grass Widow and Actor Shot from Behind by Somebody Unknown.

[By Associated Press.]  
 Grandbury, Texas, Nov. 8.—Up to noon today no arrests had been made in connection with the killing of K. K. Beatty, an actor, and Mrs. Carl Robinson, who were shot from behind. Mrs. Robinson and her husband separated about two weeks ago. Robinson was not in town today, and the police said he left last night.

**COTTON PALACE, WACO, November 4-19, 1911.**  
 The I. & G. N. Railway will sell excursion tickets daily. For particulars in regard to popular excursions inquire of agent.

FOURTH COTTON GINNING REPORT

Census Bureau's Report Shows 9,968,177 Bales Ginned, Which is More Than Ever Before on November 1.

[By Associated Press.]  
 Washington, Nov. 8.—The census bureau's fourth cotton ginning report of the season issued at 10 a. m. today and showing the number of running bales, counting round as half bales, of cotton of the growth of 1911 ginned to November 1, with comparative statistics to the corresponding date for the past three years, is as follows:  
 United States: 9,968,177 bales, compared with 7,345,953 bales last year, when 62.5 per cent of the entire crop was ginned to November 1; 7,017,849 bales in 1909, when 69.7 per cent was ginned; and 8,191,557 bales in 1908, when 62.6 per cent of the crop was ginned.  
 The number of round bales included were 68,343, compared with 81,183 bales in 1910.  
 Arkansas ginned 445,505 bales to November 1; Louisiana, 232,047; Oklahoma, 555,754; and Texas 3,210,218 bales.

FOUR JURORS IN MCNAMARA CASE

[By Associated Press.]  
 Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 8.—Four full-fledged jurors immune from challenge for future elimination, unless they fall ill, are now on the McNamara jury. The prospects that the jury can be filled by the middle of December are good.

FOR REHEARING IN LANE-FULMORE CASE

[By Associated Press.]  
 Austin, Texas, Nov. 8.—A motion was filed before the supreme court today for a rehearing in the Fulmore-Lane mandamus case, in which the court previously upheld the governor's veto of part of the attorney general's two-year appropriation.

NINE JURORS IN LYNCHING CASE

[By Associated Press.]  
 Cameron, Texas, Nov. 8.—With nine jurors secured, the examining of veniremen in the Mexican boy lynching case was resumed this afternoon.

TO TAKE UP BEATTIE'S CASE

Richmond, Va., Nov. 8.—The supreme court of appeals of Virginia, which convened for its autumn session today, is expected to take up next week the appeal in the case of Henry Clay Beattie, Jr., the young man now under sentence of death for the murder of his wife.  
 Should a writ of error be allowed it is probable that Beattie's second trial will be set for the January term.

CORN CROP OF 1911

[By Associated Press.]  
 Washington, Nov. 8.—The total corn crop of the United States this year is estimated at 2,776,301,000 bushels, which is an average yield of 23.9 bushels per acre.

**Reclaiming Swamp Lands.**  
 Elizabeth City, N. C., Nov. 7.—Reports of gratifying progress in the reclamation of swamp and overflowed lands in this section were presented at the fourth annual convention here today of the North Carolina Drainage Association. The convention will con-

SAM GREER FOUND DEAD

Died Alone from Natural Causes as He Slept—Coroner's Verdict to That Effect.

Sam Greer, colored, was found dead this morning in the servants' house at the home of Mr. D. M. Dansby, in which he lived alone. He had separated from his wife and Mr. Dansby permitted him to occupy his servants' house.  
 When found he was lying in his bed in a perfectly natural position. His shoes and outer clothing had been removed, and every indication was that he had undressed and retired for the night. The last time he was seen alive was shortly after dark Monday night and it is supposed he died that night. He was at the home of a relative after supper, and as he left remarked that he was sick and was going home and go to bed. He was not seen again until found dead this morning.  
 He was about forty-five or fifty years old and was reared out on Wixon creek, near Steep Hollow. His parents were two of the oldest negro settlers in Brazos county, having lived here ever since the war until their death.

Falconio on His Way to Rome.

Washington, Nov. 7.—Mgr. Falconio, the apostolic delegate, left the capital today to pay a visit of state to Cardinal Gibbons at Baltimore before he leaves for Rome to attend the consistory at which he is to be made a cardinal. Mgr. Falconio probably will sail from New York in company with Archbishops Farley and O'Connell. All three will receive the red hat from the hands of the pontiff at the same time.

HUNTERS RETURNED.

R. M. Nall, T. P. Boyett, A. G. Board, W. C. Boyett, Lamar Bethea, W. Wipprecht, Carl Cole and Henry Rohde have returned from a week's hunt in the Big Thicket in Hardin county. They report a fine trip, every moment of the time being enjoyed and not a single accident occurring to make a discordant note in the daily round of pleasure. A deer was killed on the morning of their arrival and as a result the table was provided with venison and plenty of small game during the entire stay.  
 Six deer were killed in all, and of the Bryan hunters R. M. Nall killed two and W. C. Boyett two. The other two were killed by hunters who joined them at Kountze.

RESIDENCE BLOCK FOR SALE.

I have for sale cheap the most beautiful building block in Bryan. Ideally located, perfectly level and covered with oaks and other trees. It is on West Moseley street, leading out between the First National and First State banks. Only seven blocks from these two banks, six blocks from federal postoffice site, and four blocks from Westside school. It is ideal.  
 A. J. BUCHANAN.

BARN BURNED.

Mr. Sam E. Cavitt of Wheelock had the misfortune to lose the large barn on his farm by fire Monday. The entire contents of the barn were also burned, consisting of some seven hundred bushels of corn, a big lot of hay, plow tools, harness, etc. The loss was estimated at \$2000, with no insurance. The origin of the fire has not been learned.

We are now better prepared than ever to look after your wants. All business given us will be highly appreciated. We will remain in the grocery business in Bryan, rumors to the contrary notwithstanding. John M. Lawrence & Co.  
**STUDENTS TO SAN ANTONIO.**

Prof. John C. Burns of the animal husbandry department of A. & M. College and about twenty senior and junior animal husbandry students went to San Antonio to the fair today. The students will enter the contest in judging livestock and dairy products. W. R. Parker was in the city today from Thompson Creek.