

TEXAS SHARKS ROPE UNWARY

Half the Land Deals in Lone Star State Based on Fraud.

FABULOUS PRICES EXACTED

One Who Knows Says to Leave the Sharks Alone and Stay from the State or from Individuals.

"Texas lands have been the means of holding up the Northern sucker. There have been hundreds in this part of the country each year, who are roped to on land in my state that is hopelessly misrepresented."

This statement comes from D. C. Coupland, who is here representing the Southern Texas Truck Growers' association of San Antonio. Coupland says that half of the land schemes afloat in Texas and Mexico are colored with fraud, that these floatings have hurt the legitimate land dealer more than the actual conditions of the land. The syndicate system of selling 5 and 10 acre tracts, including town lots on a Texas waste, the purchase price of which runs over \$10 an acre, he believes should be investigated as the value is likely inflated.

"If men wish to sell again after the syndicate has unloaded its holdings he usually gets but half of what he paid for it."

Shingles Are Numerous.

"In Corpus Christi on every fifth door can be seen the shingle of some land dealer. It is easy to see there are many in the business for what they can get out of it. These men will take one ear of produce which has been sold at a record price and use the figures of the same as the average yield that can be obtained on their lands. It's ridiculous to suppose that onions, for example, will yield an average of more than \$300. Yet the literature sent out at these roads \$1.00 to \$1.50. These fabulous prices would rope in any prospective land buyer and the northern goes to Texas with the idea that he will procure the same. In the first place it costs an average of \$150 to harvest an acre of onions, so he must be financially well fixed to go into onion growing to begin with."

Coupland Gives Advice.

Going on the theory that the worst knoek in the world is one who has been swindled, Coupland advises the man who wants to buy Texas land to purchase it from the state or the individual, or, if either has none for sale, to be sure of buying of a legitimate land dealer. He says that figures can be obtained and if the literature of a land company parades in bold type fictitious values it is best to leave it alone. He believes that what is true of produce in every state applies to Texas with the exception that certain sections of Texas do produce beautiful crops and have a ready market. Cultivation is, however, a very important factor in realizing big returns and a man needs plenty of initial capital to go truck farming or fruit raising.

Frosts Kill Crops.

Speaking on the prospects of Texas as a great orange producing state he said that the two or three hard frosts last winter had crippled orange growing 15 or 20 per cent according to the state's official figures. Coupland does not have the greatest of faith in the Satsuma orange, which is grown along the Gulf coast. It is too small an orange and he did not believe the climate would allow cultivating the orange to a product like that obtained in California or Florida.

Fort Says Coast is Looking Good

Gerrit Fort, passenger traffic manager of the Union Pacific, is back from a four weeks' tour of the Pacific coast. While away Mr. Fort visited most of the principal cities between Portland and San Diego and returns enthusiastic over the outlook for summer business.

Mr. Fort found active operations in progress for the expositions that are to be held in San Francisco and San Diego, respectively, during the summer of 1913.

San Diego proposes to have an exposition of its own and to promote the enterprise, the business men and the city have raised over \$100,000. The purpose is to feature Mexico and Central and South America, making it typical of the Latin-American countries.

One of the trying things that San Diego has to contend with this time is the members of the I. O. of W. W., which, in the language of the locality, means Independent Order of Worn Workers. There are thousands of these people in and around San Diego, lured there by the warm weather and delightful climate. They have become so numerous and such a nuisance that the city authorities have been forced to take the matter in hand. Police and deputy sheriffs in large numbers have time and again rounded up the vagrants and escorted them outside the city limits, but they always return and devote their time begging from house to house and sleeping in the open.

Glidden Tour Skips Omaha This Year

The Glidden tourists this year will run from Minneapolis through the Mississippi valley to New Orleans, according to a letter received by Manager E. V. Parrish of the publicity bureau of the Commercial club.

Mr. Parrish had written to the headquarters of the American Automobile association asking that the tour be made to include Omaha, if first being announced that the tour would extend from Pittsburgh to Denver. His answer was from E. Bruce, manager of the touring bureau of the association, who outlined the route now decided upon and said the tourists would not come this far west.

TRINITY PARISH ELECTS OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR

At a meeting of Trinity cathedral parish on Monday, April 8, the following officers were elected: Service warden, J. W. Tates; pastor warden, E. Wainley; treasurer, F. H. Davis; S. B. Barkan; Philip Peter; George H. Trammell; C. C. George; J. S. French and F. E. Zeller.

Crowley Advocates Crusade Against Smoke Nuisance

Gas Commissioner Crowley is advocating the elimination of the "smoke nuisance" which he declares fills the atmosphere with unhealthy gases, corrupts water and makes ice impure. "In a test I conducted recently," said the gas commissioner, "I took snow and melted it in a silver dish. This snow falling through air filled with smoke, part of which was sulphur, had a large amount of sulphuric acid in it. When left in the dish the niccol was consumed and the dish spoiled. "Black particles in ice which you often see is carbon from smoke. It's not dangerous, but there is also an amount of sulphuric acid to be reckoned with. The black spots are simply oxygen consumers."

Prof. Crowley wants the city hall, which is one of the greatest "offenders" equipped with smoke-consuming apparatus and if successful believes it ought to be extended to other establishments. Many progressive cities, he pointed out, have eliminated the smoke nuisance entirely. "I tell you I'd like to have a laboratory in the country a thousand miles from any smoke stack. You can't keep the streets nor the houses clean. Installing smoke consumers on buildings would lessen the expense of keeping the city clean and would make this a more healthy place."

Costly Grief Ends a Stolen Joy Ride

Joy riding is all right while things run smoothly, but the aftermath brings the trouble. Clarence Kellogg, a porter, working for the Thomas Cusick Co., took an automobile belonging to R. H. Woodruff, 206 Dewey avenue. Kellogg picked up Jake E. Blair, a white man, and two women, and the four had several hours of good time. When Kellogg brought the machine back to the garage he was criticized severely by a friend.

All would have been at right had not Mr. Woodruff wanted to take a ride in the meantime. When he appeared at the garage for his car it was out. He notified the police and Officer Heil arrested Kellogg and Blair. Kellogg resisted arrest and for his double violation he was fined \$5 and costs, while Blair was fined only \$5 and costs.

ALFRED ADAMS ELECTED H. S. BASE BALL CAPTAIN

Alfred Adams, 12, was elected captain of the 1912 Omaha high school base ball squad at a meeting of the candidates held in the assembly room yesterday. Adams has had considerable experience with amateur aggregations on the local diamonds. He will hold down the backstop position for the Capitol hill school team.

Express Company to Help the Sufferers

The Wells Fargo Express company that operates on a number of the railroads penetrating the flood stricken sections along the Mississippi river has issued notice that it will carry, free of charge, everything in the way of food supplies, clothing and medicines sent into its territory.

WHITE SLAVERS UNDER FIRE

Federal Grand Jury Takes Up Ford and Kenzie Cases.

SESSION WILL NOT LAST LONG

Investigators for Government Organized Yesterday and Will Consider Twenty-Five Cases During Week.

The federal grand jury for April reported yesterday and shortly after 10 o'clock went into executive session. Twenty-five jurors were chosen, sixteen of whom must be in the court room at one time to investigate. W. A. Page of Decatur was selected as foreman.

Judge W. H. Munger instructed the jurors not to make public any of their investigations and cautioned them especially against talking to newspaper men. United States Attorney F. S. Howell will conduct the investigation and will be assisted by Attorney A. W. Lane of Lincoln.

The jury did very little business, talking up a few minor cases, but in the afternoon commenced their grand inquest. Berta Love, the Omaha woman charged with transporting from Chicago to Omaha by way of Des Moines, Juanita Ford, for immoral purposes, went before the grand jury to answer to the charge of white slavery. The case of Ryllis Kenzie, who is alleged to have been brutally and inhumanly treated at the Millard hotel by Ray Jordan and others, will go before the grand jury to tell her story.

The case of Ryllis Kenzie is attracting much attention and will probably be the first one to come to trial and there is no doubt but what an indictment will be returned against the three or four men who have been arrested by the government for complicity in the matter.

BOOSTERS' BAND TO GIVE A MILITARY BALL MONDAY

Kiplinger's Military band has been given the contract to furnish the booster music for the Nebraska and Iowa trade excursion which leaves Omaha on June 2 and returns on June 5.

In order that the band may make a more presentable appearance on the trip they will hold a military ball, to which the public is invited, in the Armory on Monday evening, April 15, the proceeds of which are to be used for purchasing the new uniforms and equipment.

The music will be furnished by the entire band of thirty-five pieces under the leadership of Al Fairbrother, director.

Commercial Club Plans Big Dinner at the Auditorium

Members of the Commercial club, old and new, will be invited to a big dinner to be given in the Auditorium sometime in the near future.

At a meeting of the executive committee Tuesday, this means of welcoming the new members and at the same time boosting Omaha was definitely decided upon. It is expected that a greater crowd than ever before that has been in attendance at a Commercial club affair will witness the continuous vaudeville and special entertainment features that are planned. In order to accommodate the crowd it is probable that the feast will be a buffet luncheon, an informal affair to which business men may go direct from their work.

The executive committee made honorary members of Rev. Charles H. Fleming, pastor of the Church of the Covenant, and Rev. Ralph Housman, formerly pastor of Castellar Presbyterian church.

Bryan to Speak Here on Memorial Day

Word was received by Charles W. Allen, in charge of the Grand Army of the Republic program for Memorial day, that Bryan has accepted an invitation to speak on that day at the Auditorium in Omaha. The subject on which he will speak has been left to him. Several well known speakers and statesmen will be brought here by the Grand Army of the Republic to address them at their annual Memorial day exercises.

Milady's Toilet Table

Of course, not every facial blemish can be removed by simple home treatment, but there are many common afflictions that yield quickly to proper care and attention. A true beautifier can be made by dissolving an original package of marmosin in a half-pint witch hazel. Gently massage the face, neck and arms with this, and yellowness, dark and muddy patches, pimples, rough and red skin will be banished. It makes the skin smooth, soft, white and satiny and preserves the youthful charm of the face.

Superfluous hairs cause many women annoyance and embarrassment. These can be quickly and easily removed by applying detatone paste. Mix a little powdered detatone with enough water to cover the hairs; apply, and after two or three minutes rub off, wash the skin, and the hairs will be gone.

You can avoid catching cold by dry shampooing for the removal of dust, dandruff and excess oil. Put a cupful of corn meal in a fruit jar and mix with it an original package of therox. Sprinkle a little on the head and brush out thoroughly. If anything will make the hair grow, therox will, and this treatment keeps the hair light, fluffy and beautifully lustrous.

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