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A TEXAS ENCYCLOPEDIA.

WE HAVE just received a copy of the Industrial edition of the San Antonio, Texas, Express. It contains 144 pages, every one of which is brimful of information about Texas in general and San Antonio in particular. We would like to say something about the things in that paper, but to do it justice would require 144 pages—and the same matter reprinted. This issue of the Capital Journal could scarcely hold the headlines, and one surely has to sit up and punch his imagination to grasp even a faint idea of the facts. Here are a few things that will give one some idea of the state and of San Antonio. From northwest to southeast the state is 825 miles long and east to west 760 miles. It contains 265,780 square miles and is three times as large as Oregon, six times as large as Pennsylvania; would hold 32 states like Massachusetts, or 242 like Rhode Island. It is one-fourth larger than the German empire and twice the size of the Kingdom of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales. It had a population at the last census of 3,896,542, and its growth has been so phenomenal that it is far above the 4,000,000 mark now. In 1910 it had 9,000,000 cattle, 2,000,000 sheep, 3,500,000 swine, 1,360,000 horses and 702,000 mules. These are a few of the things about the state, but just note these of San Antonio, and remember they are but a small sample of the thousand astounding things of the big industrial edition of which the Express tells. In 1910 San Antonio had a population of 98,614, and its city directory, recently completed, shows it now has 108,000. It is the supply and distributing point for a territory greater than the New England states with New York added. It is the main gateway to all of Mexico, and is on three great commercial highways. It has 453 manufacturing plants producing last year products valued at \$35,567,540, and the annual pay roll of these is \$3,148,185.

FOR LOWER WATER RATES.

THE PERSISTENT agitation of The Capital Journal has borne good fruit, and this whatever the final outcome may be, for it has awakened the city councilmen to the importance of the city water question and to the necessity of getting relief from excessive charges. As the Capital Journal has frankly stated it has no means of information that would permit even a suggestion as to what water rates should be charged, that would be reasonable in the case. But the city council in passing the matter up to the railroad commission has done a wise thing, for under existing conditions that is the only body that can get at the true inwardness of the situation and arrive at a just decision. To do this, to establish rates fair to the company and just to the consumer, requires a knowledge of the actual value of the plant; what it has cost; what it has returned to its owners as fair returns on their investment. Salem people have no desire to get something for nothing; no intention of doing injustice to the Salem Water Company or any other. They expect to pay a fair and remunerative price for their water or anything else they get, but they expect to pay only this, and the council has taken the proper steps to get this matter settled, and a fair price agreed upon. It may be so far as the Capital Journal knows that the prices charged for water, yield now only a fair return on the money invested. We say this may be, but we do not believe such is the case, nor will we believe it until it is demonstrated beyond all possibility of doubt. We do know that the water rates are greater than the people should be called upon to pay. When a family is compelled to pay more for its water than it does for its bread, there is something wrong with the water bill.

There are not less than 3000 families in Salem paying on average of \$2 a month, or \$24 a year for water. This would give the company an income from this source of \$72,000 yearly, and this added to income from other sources will make the total at least \$100,000 yearly. This is of course only an estimate, but it is a conservative one, and we believe the facts will show that Salem pays for its water about \$125,000 a year. However, this will all be threshed out by the railroad commission. At the same time it is well for the council to see that the city is properly represented in the examination and that its interests are carefully guarded. Legal help should be given the city attorney in the investigation. It would cost something, but it would be money well expended. The council has taken hold of the matter, and will have the hearty backing of the entire community in its effort to get a reduction in water rates. Money expended in getting legal help to protect the city's interests will cause no quarrel or criticism by taxpayers, for they as we have said, expect to pay for what they get. They are behind the council, a solid unit in this matter, and the council will find them willing and anxious to hold up its hands, and assist it in every way.

The council has done the eminently proper thing, and has the commendation of every one in Salem. Good for Secretary of the Interior Lane; he is for government-owned Alaska railroads, and gives convincing reasons. When a man is 62, it is nice to have him a general or an admiral; he can play on pay the rest of his life.

AUGUST HUCKESTEIN IS NOW POSTMASTER

Receives Telegram From Senator Chamberlain Telling His Appointment Is Confirmed.

August Huckestein received a telegram last night from Senator Chamberlain, telling of the confirmation of his appointment to the Salem postmastership. Senator Chamberlain also sent congratulations to Mr. Huckestein.

Mr. Huckestein's appointment was made some time ago, but only yesterday was his appointment confirmed by the senate. He will take over the du-



August Huckestein.

Years of Suffering

Catarrh and Blood Disease - Doctors Failed to Cure.

Miss Mabel F. Dawkins, 1214 Lafayette St., Fort Wayne, Ind., writes: "For three years I was troubled with catarrh and blood disease. I tried several doctors and a dozen different remedies, but none of them did me any good. A friend told me of Hood's Sarsaparilla. I took two bottles of this medicine and was as well and strong as ever. I feel like a different person and recommend Hood's to any one suffering from catarrh."

Get it today in usual liquid form or chocolate tablets called Sarsatabs.

The commercial club of Dallas, Independence and Rickcall visited Falls City Tuesday night, going in a special train and taking the famous Dallas band along. It was just a great big county get-together meeting.

Journal Want Ads Bring Results.

ties of the new position about June 1. Mr. Huckestein has been in Salem since 1889. He has been a candidate on the Democratic ticket twice, and, although failing to be elected, made a splendid showing. As a member of Salem's city council, Mr. Huckestein did some good work. He was always an ardent champion of any plan that would mean good for Salem, and he took a lively interest in all matters pertaining to the city and its welfare. The new postmaster has the honor of having been elected exalted ruler of the Salem Elks and twice a supreme representative of the Maccabee lodge. The position carries a salary of \$3200 a year.

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MAY EXTEND STRIKE. Philadelphia, May 20.—Threat to spread the waterfront strike here to the Port of New York and eventually to all Atlantic coast points were voiced here today by leaders of the Industrial Workers of the World. More than 3000 men, who demand 35 cents an hour for ten hours work, time and a half time for work of ten p. m. to double time for work on Sundays and holidays and recognition of the union, are out here.

THE ROUND-UP. Portland has an ordinance permitting the use of the streets surrounding the plaza as a public market. The ordinance does not go into effect for 30 days, but the mayor has instructed the police to permit the use of the streets for this purpose at once.

A stringent anti-masher ordinance has been introduced in the Albany council.

The band at Klamath Falls has been recognized with 20 members, and engagements are already being booked.

Aurora's annual barbecue, a festival that has done much to make the town famous, will be held this year on Saturday, June 25.

The Forest Grove News-Times says the school directors would be pleased to receive suggestions for a suitable name for the new Forest Grove school building, now under construction.

The following juvenile gardeners at Gervais have entered a popcorn contest: Charlotte Russell, Vernal, Inez and Myrtle Pi-keys, Eger, Catehing, Catherine Hagenauer, Oleag Cotaforth, Luke Shields, Mina, Marie, Ruth and Everett Smith.

The Portland schools Monday, following the suggestion of the czar of Russia celebrated the day as "Peace Day."

The Baker county fair, according to the Democrat, will be bigger and better than ever this year. The agricultural, horticultural and stock exhibits will excel those of former years and the racing will be the best ever. Horses off the circuit from Salem's state fair to Boise's intermountain fair will compete for the liberal purses.

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Honest Advice to Consumptives. Somewhere there exists a vast amount of scepticism as to the possibility of curing Consumption. We state none but facts, and are sincere to what we assert. If we were afflicted with Tuberculosis, we should do precisely what we ask others to do—take Eckman's Alternative promptly and faithfully. The reason we should do this and warrant we have for asking all Consumptives to take it is that we have the reports of many recoveries, one of which follows:—"I am 61 years of age and was afflicted with hemorrhages of the lungs, the number totaled nearly one hundred. Our family physician advised another course, as to remain would probably be fatal. However, I remained, and in February of 1902, I was taken with a severe attack of pneumonia. When I recovered sufficiently to walk about the house I was left with a faithful hacking cough, which no medicine I had taken could alleviate. It was at this time, March, 1902, that I learned of and started taking Eckman's Alternative. In a short time my cough was gone and I was pronounced well. Since that time I have had two slight attacks of pneumonia and I have resorted to no other medicine to effect a cure. "I am at present in excellent health and feel that as long as I can obtain Eckman's Alternative, I have no fear of Consumption. I cannot speak too highly for the good it has done." (Signed) HOWARD L. KLOTZ. Eckman's Alternative is effective in Bronchitis, Asthma, Hay Fever; Throat and Lung Troubles, and in upbuilding the system. Does not contain poison, opium or habit-forming drugs. Ask for booklet telling of recoveries and write to Eckman Laboratory, Philadelphia, Pa. for more evidence. For sale by all leading druggists.

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