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Tahoka Will Get A New Postoffice

WILL IMPROVE LOCAL SERVICE

Thomas Bros. To Construct New Building; Government To Furnish Equipment

Tahoka is to have a new postoffice building and equipment, according to information sent out from the Postal Department, Washington, D. C., the building to be built by Thomas Bros., and equipped by the government.

Inspector O. E. Smith of Dallas, contract man for the Government in this section of the United States, was here recently making arrangements for the new quarters. His visit resulted in the Post Office Department accepting the proposal of Messrs. C. A. and W. O. Thomas to lease the new quarters for a term of five years, beginning April 1st.

The building to be erected will be on the south side of Porterfield street just west of the new Thomas building now occupied by Boullion & Thomas. The structure will be of brick, 50x50 feet in size, and built along the most modern lines of architecture. Heat, light, and water will not be furnished by the builders, states Postmaster Parkhurst, as was stated in the daily papers this week.

Tahoka will be given new post-office fixtures throughout, and nothing will be moved to the new building other than the books and records of the old office. New lock boxes, new furniture, and in fact a complete set of new equipment will be installed at a cost to the United States Government of approximately \$5,000.00.

Tahoka has long needed these improvements to keep up with the business handled by the local office, and with them better postal service here will be assured. Uncle Sam has the thanks of every citizen of Tahoka for this move.

Hogans Move Here To Manage Store

G. E. Hogan, and Geo. E. Hogan, Jr., owners of the Hogan Dry Goods store at this place, and their families are now permanently located in Tahoka and will have active management of the local business. The Hogans are up-to-the-minute business men and citizens that Tahoka is glad to have. They formerly lived at Archer City.

W. R. Arnold, who has been connected with the store for the past few months, left Wednesday morning for Iowa Park, where he will visit his wife a few days before going to Plainview to accept a similar position.

Miss Sone Sells The Wilson Pointer

The Wilson Pointer, owned and edited by Miss Ollie Sone, has been sold to Mr. Redman, formerly editor of the Abernathy Weekly Review, and the new owner of the Pointer will take charge on January 18.

The Pointer was established nearly three years ago by Miss Sone. The paper has prospered and enjoyed a good business. Miss Sone has made a success of her enterprise and has at all times worked for the interest of Wilson and Lynn county.

The News welcomes her successor to this section and we wish for him the same success Miss Sone has enjoyed.

The paper has been printed in Slaton in the past, but the plans for its publication in the future are not known to us.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Hall Robinson left Sunday for San Antonio where Jack Alley. Mrs. Robinson's mother they were accompanied by Mrs. Jack Alley. Mrs. Robinson's mother who will spend a month visiting her two sisters, who reside in San Antonio.

Miss Louise Shanklin, teacher of Spanish at the High school, spent the week end in Canyon visiting home folks.

Over 400 Telephones In Use In Tahoka

The number of telephones in use in the city of Tahoka have increased from 375 to 420 during the past year, or an increase of 45 phones, according to W. M. Harris, manager of the Tahoka Telephone Company.

The Tahoka Telephone Company in a local enterprise and has done much improving in keeping with the growth and improvement of the city during the past year. A new and modern building, new switch board, 10,000 feet of new cable, a car load of new poles, and new lines are among the improvements made in Tahoka during the past twelve months. Mr. Harris says the total amount of the improvements was around \$15,000.

LIGHT PLANT SHOWS GROWTH

Number of Customers Here Increased 110 During 1925; Improvements Are Planned

Extensive line improvements in the near future by the Tahoka Mutual Light and Ice company are included in the improvements to be made on the local light and power service for the city of Tahoka, W. S. Anglin, plant superintendent, told The News this week.

Improvement in light and power service here has been making rapid strides during the past few years. In reviewing the growth of the system, Mr. Anglin said that a year ago December 31, 1924, the local plant had 190 customers. On December 31, 1925, it had 300, or a gain of 110 customers in a year. In 1921, when the plant began operation under the ownership and management of the city, there were only 48 customers. Fifty-five electric ranges and water heaters are in use in the city.

The horse power of the plant in 1921 was only 25 h. p. In 1924 it was 175 h. p., and more recently it has been increased to 325 h. p. Other improvements include additions to the plant building, and the addition of a ten-ton ice plant.

The kilowatt output has been increased more than 100 per cent within the past twelve months, and the kilowatt hour consumption has been lowered approximately 10 per cent since the present owner, C. M. Thompson of Amarillo, acquired the plant.

Light and power rates have also undergone quite a change in the past few years. In 1921 and 1922, the minimum charge for light was \$2.50. The City Council lowered this rate in 1923 to \$2.00, and when Mr. Thompson took charge on November 1st, the rate was cut down to \$1.50.

Improvements in the plant were due greatly to the efforts of Mayor Singleton and the city council. Mr. Thompson has made and contemplates the making of many other additional improvements.

Miss Halsey To Attend Dallas Meeting

County Agricultural and Home Demonstration Agents of the Northern half of Texas will be in session in Dallas January 20, 21, 22. This meeting will be for the purpose of studying the problems of extension work in the various counties of this part of the State, and will be ably directed by Extension Director, C. H. Alvord, and State Home Demonstration Agent, Miss Mildred Horton, both of A. & M. College. Dr. O. B. Martin and others from the U. S. Department of Agriculture at Washington, D. C., will be on the program also.

Miss Millie M. Halsey, local Home Demonstration Agent will leave Monday, January 18, to attend this meeting. Miss Halsey expects to be in her office on Saturday January 23, to arrange meeting dates for any Clubs missing their meeting because of her absence.

STARNES COHEN PARTY COMING

Among South's Best Evangelists: Meeting Will Begin Sunday Evening

Tahoka will be favored by having one of the strongest evangelistic parties in the South, the Starnes-Cohen party, spend two weeks here beginning next Sunday, January 17th, in a meeting at the Baptist Church. The party has been engaged in holding a meeting at Post for the past two weeks.

Dr. Starnes is a preacher of strong personality and a true preacher of the Gospel. Mr. Cohen is known all over the country as one of the sweetest singers in the South, hence any where. If you love good singing you will not be disappointed when you hear him. Miss McKnight is an accomplished artist at the piano. Come and let us put our best into the meeting and then we will reap a great harvest.

This is not a meeting just for the Baptist Church, although it will be held under the auspices of it. We invite, not only invite, but urge all Christians to co-operate with us in this campaign. The party will be here Sunday evening for the seventh-thirty p. m. service. Be at the church Sunday morning and let us make a good get-ready for the meeting which will start properly that night.

The evangelistic fires are already started. On last Sunday morning there was a fine girl converted. One young lady joined the church and two joined Sunday evening. Pray for the meeting; talk about it, and be there and support it with your presence. It is very fine to have your spirit in the service, but it is much better to be there with your spirit.—Contributed.

P. T. SHOWING FINE SPIRIT

Large Attendance At Meeting; Plan Lyceum Course; Speakers Back Building Campaign

The Parent-Teachers Association met Tuesday afternoon with the largest attendance of the season. The parents of Tahoka really demonstrated some interest in the welfare of the children of the school. The spirit of schools in the community is growing by leaps and bounds.

One very important matter was attended to. We had representatives from two Lyceum circuits. After considering both companies the association voted to appoint a committee to sell season tickets. Supt. G. H. Nelson agreed to take the remainder over and raise the money by a special plan. The plan is to furnish the pupils their English classics and all reference books from the library for a minimum cost of one dollar each. This will easily save each parent who has a child in high school \$2.00, which is the cost of a season ticket to the course. Also, for fifty cents extra, it will be possible to give each child a season ticket to the course, this making the total fee \$1.50. Parents your child's extra books, not furnished by the state, will in the English course alone, amount to more than that. It is an opportunity to have a real class, and up-to-the minute Lyceum course in our town and not cost you one cent if you have a child in high school. When the committee

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POST OFFICE RECEIPTS GROW

Show Growth of Town; Business of 1925 Shows Increase Over 1924 By \$1,267.15

Post Office receipts of Tahoka show that a steady and rapid growth is being enjoyed by the local office. The total receipts for the past year, December 31, 1925, amounted to \$9,690.32, according to Postmaster D. A. Parkhurst, or an increase over last year of \$1,267.15. Last year's receipts amounted to \$8,423.17.

The figures for the four quarters of 1925 are as follows:

March	\$1,752.50
June	2,284.86
September	2,058.00
December	3,589.96

This is a record for the local post office, this being the largest the receipts have ever been, and more than double those of only a few years ago. Mr. Parkhurst says that with a good crop this year he expects the receipts to amount to near \$15,000.00, basing his estimate on the past growth.

It will be noted that the receipts for the quarter ending in December of this year amounted to \$3,589.96, while those of last year for the same period were \$2,672.35.

The growth of the post office shows to a great extent, the growth of a town. The increase in the post office's business amounted to about 13 1/2 per cent.

During the past year the post office has become an office of the second class, thus enabling the postmaster to increase and better the service.

In commenting on the work of the past year, Postmaster Parkhurst

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U. S. REPORTS FARM CENSUS

Interesting Figures Shown In Government Census of Lynn County

That Lynn county is year by year paying less attention to the raising of cattle and feed-stuffs and more attention to cotton raising is shown by the 1925 farm census summary reported The News this week by the Department of Commerce, Washington, D. C., in which summary agricultural statistics of the county for 1925 and for 1920 are compared.

Below is the press summary: Washington, D. C. January 11, 1926.—The following statement gives some of the results of the 1925 farm census for Lynn County, Texas, with comparative data for 1920. The 1925 figures are preliminary and subject to correction.

Item	1925	1920
Total Number of Farms	757	674
Operated by:		
Whit farmers	757	674
Colored farmers		
Owners	402	399
Managers		9
Tenants	355	266
Farm Acreage		
All land in farms	257,108	434,874
Crop land, 1924	153,607	
Harvested	137,261	
Crop failure	14,699	
Fallow or idle	1,647	
Pasture, 1924	101,668	

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COLD WEATHER SHOWS THE NEED OF NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING

BY A. B. SANDERS (Principal Tahoka High School)

As the spring-like weather broke suddenly into the cold blast of winter and the snow covered the ground, the people at school soon realized that the possibilities for keeping warm were very limited. Due to the fact that there is not enough class room space, it has been necessary to use the auditorium for a study hall. There are from forty to sixty-five persons in this space at all hours of the day. There are only two stoves that can be put in this large auditorium. With just ordinary weather it is possible to keep it at

a comfortable temperature, but when the weather is cold it is impossible to keep it at all comfortable. This is the time, above all means, when it should be kept warm.

Parents, it is clear that because of the lack of room and facilities your children are not getting the attention that they deserve. The teachers are doing their utmost to give them the best possible opportunities under the circumstances, the Superintendent is working and planning in every way possible to make it complete as can possible be done under the cir-

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Building Permits Total \$225,000

Smith Hands Bottle To Anglin; Wreck

A car driven by W. S. Anglin collided with the R. H. Turner delivery truck Tuesday morning on the public square, scattering groceries up and down the street for a short distance. No damage was done to either of the cars or the occupants.

Mr. Anglin had many explanations as to the cause of the accident, but it is reported that the real cause was about as follows: Geo. Smith who was riding with the driver pulled the bottle from his pocket and Mr. Anglin reached for it. The car was not used to being driven with one hand and plunged into the Turner car.

CONCERT PARTY PLEASURES CROWD

American Legion Losing Money On Lyceum Courses; Better Attendance Urged

The Bessie Larcher Concert Party, the third number of the lyceum course brought here this year under the auspices of the local post of the American Legion, highly pleased a medium-sized crowd at the Star Theatre Friday night. However, W. S. (Skip) Taylor, says the Legion did not meet expenses on the entertainment.

The concert company put on a very entertaining program of musical numbers and readings. All who heard the concert, which followed the picture, "Steele of the Royal Mounted," pronounced it more than worth the admission.

According to Mr. Taylor the Legion has lost \$90.15 on the first three lyceum numbers of the course, however a strong effort will be made to make this amount back on the remaining two numbers. The Legion has reached the decision that Tahoka people do not appreciate entertainments of this nature sufficiently for them to be brought here again. Because of this fact, they refused to sign a contract for another year when the proposition was put up to them this week.

The next number, to be staged late in February, is advertised as probably the best of the entire course. The Qualen Company, at that time will present a program of dramatic and comedy sketches, especially written for them, music and impersonations. Mr. John Qualen is a pianist, flutist, whistle, and impersonator, while Miss Evelyn Green is a most charming comedienne and delineator of characters.

New Rural Route South In View

Information has been received at the local postoffice to the effect that the petition for the new rural route out of here has been passed on by the Fourth Assistant Postmaster-General and has been referred to the Chief Inspector. The proposed route would cover the territory south and southeast of town.

Postmaster Parkhurst says the next move will be to send an inspector here to go over the proposed route. He says he has been trying to get new routes out of here for the past two years, always to no avail, but that he believes the chance are better than ever before.

Sheriff Makes Call For Car Licenses

"All car licenses must be paid by January 20, 1926," is the announcement made by Sheriff J. W. Simpson. The legal time for the payment of these licenses is already past, although only 1080 out of a total of about 3,000 have been paid, he says. Poll tax and other tax payments are coming in pretty well, however citizens are urged to pay them as soon as is possible in order to prevent, as much as possible, the big rush during the last few days of the month.

SET RECORD FOR BUILDING

Fifty-Five Residences Constructed Here In Year; Several Business Houses

Over \$225,000.00! That's Tahoka's record of building permits for the year of 1925, according to the books of City Secretary Chas. N. Tunnell, issued during the year for business

Sixty-eight building permits were houses, repairs, and residences. As a result of the past year of building Tahoka has an additional 55 residences, for which permits were issued to the total amount of \$109,500. Several other residences, not included in these figures have been built or are in the course of construction for which permits have not been let.

Estimated costs on many of the residences as well as business structure are low, however, Mr. Tunnell thinks, and should the real cost be permits would run a great deal more given, including minor details, the than this amount.

The major items of the construction list for 1925 are as follows: Quanan Cotton Oil Company, a sheet iron gin, at a cost of \$22,000.00; and a sheet iron seed house, at a cost of \$1,000.00;

Baptist Church basement, \$16,000; Thomas Brothers, two brick business houses, \$20,000.00;

Tahoka Telephone Company, new exchange and office building; improvement and addition of lines, and other minor improvements, \$15,000.00.

Forest Lumber Company, lumber yard, \$5,000.00;

Cicero Smith Lumber Company, stucco lumber yard repairs, \$5,000.00;

Knight & Brashear, repairs to business building, \$3,000.00;

Claud Johnson, filling station, \$2,000.00;

W. W. Brandon, tourist park, \$2,000.00;

Pierce Petroleum Co., warehouse building, \$1,000.00;

D. B. English, skating rink, \$1,000.00;

Beard & Birdwell, skating rink, \$1,000.00;

A. L. Shult, tile and brick business building, \$1,000.00;

Mrs. H. C. Crie, iron clad laundry building, \$1,000.00;

Chester Connolly, iron clad warehouse, \$1,000.00;

York, frame building, \$1,000.00;

Colored Baptist Church, \$500.00;

Jno. Hickerson, repairs, \$1,000.00;

C. L. Moore, repairs, \$1,000.00;

B. H. Howell, repairs, \$500.00;

J. R. Singleton, repairs \$100.00.

Permits for residences, twenty-five of which are stucco, at estimated costs of from \$10,000.00 down, were let to the following: A. C. Thomas, stucco; S. E. Reid, stucco; W. G. Briley, interlocking tile; H. C. McCurry, stucco; Chas. N. Tunnell, res.; Claud Johnson, res.; Ruby Wells, stucco; J. C. Welch, two stuccos; A. M. Sullivan, stucco; Irvan Stewart, frame; Wiley Fortenberry, stucco; Carl Sherrod, stucco; Scott Davis, stucco; Woodridge Bros., stucco; Ben King, stucco; T. G. Lumber, frame; J. H. Collenback, Tredway, stucco; E. L. Johnson, frame; B. H. O'Neal, stucco; S. N. McDaniel, stucco; N. A. Jones; C. F. Shook, frame; H. B. Howell; Miss Lola Lewis stucco; R. Bosworth, stucco; W. A. Strickland, frame; L. L. Weathers, stucco; Clarence Crouch, five houses; W. J. Crouch, frame; Mrs. W. S. Swan, stucco; V. N. Burleson, stucco; H. C. Story, frame; Greenwald and Burge, box; H. C. Langly, frame; W. G. Tarrance, stucco; Marshal Swan, frame; C. L. Tate, frame; S. D. Sanders, stucco; Amanda Leedy, stucco; L. L. Sone, frame; Will Walker, seven small houses; I. N. Thomas, stucco; O. L. McHorse, stucco, and Mrs. Ethel Norris, box.

Amos Howard, abstractor and candidate for County Clerk, visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hill and Miss Zora Howard Sunday.

Program Of Fifth Sunday Meeting

and
THE ASSOCIATIONAL B. Y. P. U. OF THE BROWNFIELD ASSOCIATION

TO BE HELD WITH THE

**Baptist Church, Tahoka, Texas
January 29, and 31.**

The STARNES-COHEN EVANGELISTIC PARTY will be here in a revival meeting here. All are invited to come as early as possible, and to stay as long as you desire.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

9:45 a m Devotional D. D. Johnson
10:00 a m The Needs of Teacher Training Work for the Sunday School Graves Darby
10:29 a. m Training new converts for Service W. K. Horn
10:40 a m The Place of Prayer in the Program of Jesus C. E. Ball
11:00 a m Praise service conducted by Mr. Kohen
11:20 a m Sermon Dr. Starnes

LUNCH SERVED AT THE CHURCH

FRIDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

1:00 p m Board meeting
1:45 p m Song and Praise service led by Mr. Kohen
2:10 p m The PRESENT Outlook of the Associational work W. F. Markham
2:30 p m The Pastor's part in carrying on the Associational work J. M. Dasher
2:50 p m The Lawmen's Part in Carrying on the Associational work J. A. Anderson & J. R. Parriss
3:10 p m The Women's Part in Carrying on the Associational work Mrs. R. W. Rambo, and Mrs. Lawrence Dunn

THE ASSOCIATIONAL B. Y. P. U. WILL HAVE ITS SEMI-ANNUAL SESSION ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON OF THE FIFTH SUNDAY

Rev. Graves Darby, President, Presiding.
2:00 p m Song and Praise Service led by Mr. Kohen.
2:25 p m What The Associational B. Y. P. U. Should do, Pres. Graves Darby
2:45 p m Piano Solo Miss McKnight
2:55 p m The Essentials of the Training courses for Efficient B. Y. P. U. work.
3:15 p m Vocal Solo Mr. Kohen
3:20 p m Address Dr. Starnes

Evening Session
6:00 p m President in charge.
Vice presidents with their representatives will plan for the last half of the year.
7:00 p m Song and Praise service. Led by Mr. Kohen.
Sermon. Dr. Starnes

Each visitor will be taken to a home for supper.
All are expected to stay for the evening service.

C. W. MOSES AND GEO. D. FOSTER ELECTED ALDERMEN

The special election of last Tuesday did not create a great deal of attention among the voters, there being only 19 votes cast. C. W. Moses and Geo. D. Foster were chosen as aldermen in the place of T. B. Bailey and C. I. Kuykendall, resigned.

The new officers will be sworn in by the mayor at the next meeting of the City Council. They are both conservative business men and no doubt will serve the city as well as their predecessors have done—O'Donnell Index.

Mr. Lee Saint and Miss Lola Mae Willingham, popular young people of the Draw community, were married Tuesday afternoon by Justice of the Peace "Uncle Ike" Metcalf. The couple will make their home at Draw.

SELL FILLING STATION

J. T. and W. L. Balch have sold their filling station eight miles north of town on the Tahoka-Lubbock road to J. M. Pendergrass, a farmer living in that neighborhood. The Balch weeks selling out their supply of groceries and automobile accessories which they have on hand, after which they expect to go to California to work.

The filling station is known as the Cross Roads Filling Station.

Next Court Dockets May Be Light

County Court will open for a three weeks term on January 25th and District Court for a four weeks term on February 15th, according to Clerk Happy Smith.

Both the criminal and civil dockets promise to be light, he says.

Odus Mitchell, teacher and coach at Post, and wife visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. McHorse are the proud parents of twin boys, born last Monday.

Mrs. N. M. Wyatt fell and broke a rib early this week when she slipped on ice left from the recent snow. The attending doctor reports that she is doing nicely.

W. S. Anglin has traded his eighty acre farm immediately adjoining the city on the west for the residence of L. Vaughn. The two are exchanging their places of abode this week.

W. M. S Meets

Circle A met with Mrs. Jack Edwards Monday, January 11, with seven ladies present, and had a very interesting lesson on "The Wandering Jew in Brazil." Refreshments of cake and sherbert was served.

Circle B met with Mrs. Homer St. Clair with twelve ladies present. They also report an interesting lesson. They decided to buy a new skillet or frying pan for the Church kitchen.

Circle C met at the church with only three ladies, but they had their lesson anyway. Their mission study is "Ann of Ara".
January 18th the entire W. M. S. will meet at the church for their regular missionary program. All our women are urged to come.
Reprted.

THE WILSON NEWS

It has been quite a while since we have written, but I believe you will all excuse "ze criebe" when you hear I have been at work.

Mrs. Pearl Metcalf is back in the school after being absent a week. We are glad her throat is better.

Misses Mary and Ruth Dunn of Lubbock spent the week-end with their parents, Rev. and Mrs. Dunn.
Little Louise Crowder was carried to Lubbock Monday and had her tonsils removed.

H. R. Lankford was real sick the past week.

The Methodists have preaching twice a month and the Baptists have preaching every Sunday. Both churches have Sunday School every morning at 10 o'clock. Everyone is cordially invited to both places of worship.

T. G. Dulin and family spent Sunday at Three Lakes with Wash Johnson.

Mrs. Boswell, who has been running the Wilson Cafe has gone out of business.

Martha.

FOR SALE OR TRADE

One-fourth or one-half section, part farming land in shallow water belt of N. Mexico. Will take light car or improved town property as part payment. Also one lot and house 20x24 in Tahoka. Could use good team. W. A. Ledbetter, Rt. A. O'Donnell, Texas.

L. V. Goodrich of Jayton was here the early part of the week visiting his brother, S. B. Goodrich is a subscriber to The News and is very much interested in the Tahoka territory.

B B TEAM OUT FOR HONORS

H. S. Boys Fighting For County Championship: Will Play In Slaton Tournament

The high school basket ball team is now entering on the lap that shall determine whether they shall represent Lynn county or not. Until last year it has been the custom of the Tahoka boys to take off the "meat" at the county meet. It is thought that last years loss to Wilson will be a challenge to the boys which will spur them over the top this year.

The boys have played several games already and have showed up well. They have worked hard both to make the team and to make their grades which is a necessity before playing. We enter the county contest Wednesday of this week with the pep that it takes to win. The school is behind the team and we believe the town is beginning to see that we have a real team this year. The prospects now are that we will win the county championship and then to the tournament that is to take place at Slaton not long in the future. Slaton is offering some nice prizes for the winners of the contests scheduled to be staged in the gymnasium of the high school. Our boys are counting on making a good showing in these games. They have a fighting chance to win a twenty five dollar loving cup to be deposited to their credit as a permanent decoration to our collection of trophies.

Next Wednesday we play the O'Donnell quintet at O'Donnell. This is set to be a hard game as neither team wishes to be eliminated until the last. Then, regardless of games lost or won in the Wednesday contest, we will play the following schedule of games.

Teams Time Place
Tahoka vs. O'Donnell Jan. 13, O'Donnell.

Tahoka vs. Wilson Jan. 19, Tahoka
O'Donnell vs. Wilson Jan. 22, Wilson
Tahoka vs. O'Donnell Jan. 26, Tahoka
Tahoka vs. Wilson Jan. 29, Wilson
O'Donnell vs. Wilson Feb. 5, O'Donnell
This schedule has been arranged by the county athletic committee. The winner of these games will play the rural boys for the county championship.

EDITOR GONE

Editor E. I. Hill of the Lynn County News is out of town this week attending to business matters, and any errors found in this week's paper may be laid on the force. If we have missed much important news this week, please excuse us for this time.

In the editor's absence, Albert Curry, former linotype operator on The News, and more recently editor of the Seagraves Signal, is assisting in the mechanical department.

Mrs. Jim Bob McAtee, nee Miss Jimmie Cile Cobb, who has been visiting her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cobb, returned to her home at Flomott today.

J. I. CASE

Farm Implements of all kinds

—QUICK SERVICE—

McCORMACK STORE

Phone 21

BADLY RUN-DOWN

Lady Was Very Depressed on Account of Poor Health.

Mrs. H. S. Miller, of Spindale, N. C., says: "Five years ago I was very much run-down in health. I would give out with the least exertion. At times I would have to go to bed."

"I read of Cardui. . . My husband got me a bottle and encouraged me to take it. I was almost a skeleton, I was so thin. I was run-down and my general health was very poor. This was very depressing and I was in low spirits. My husband had to help me around. He did all he could for me and had me keep up Cardui."

"I continued taking the medicine for several months and it was wonderful the improvement I made. I gained over twenty pounds in weight, and I felt so much better besides. This gain was permanent, too. I have never lost it and my general health has been much better since I took Cardui."

At all drug stores.

CARDUI The Woman's Tonic

Tahoka Wins Over O'Donnell Team

Tahoka High School basketballers won their first game in the county championship series Wednesday afternoon by defeating O'Donnell High School on the O'Donnell court by the decisive score of 20 to 10.

The game is reported to have been hard fought. Barney Davis, playing center for Tahoka, was the star of the game.

Tahoka's line-up as follows: Barney Davis, center; Clay Bennett, forward; Sherman Davis, forward; Paul King, guard; Burton Hackney,

guard; Substitutes were: Claude Williams, forward; Marvin Munn, forward.

ELECTION ORDERED TO VOTE WATER BONDS

At a meeting of the City Council held last night one of the officials acts was to order and election to vote bonds for the construction of a city water system. The order for the election will be printed in the next issue of the Index.—O'Donnell Index

FOR SALE—Second Hand Pony disc Emerson plow. See H. M. Larkin 20-1tc.

Club Cafe Moves Into New Home

Jake Leedy moved his Club Cafe into its new quarters in the new Thomas building Wednesday afternoon, and is now doing business in the new stand.

Improvements are being made in the cafe, and Jake, "famous for food," says he expects to serve the people of Tahoka better in the future than ever before in one of the best cafes to be found anywhere on the South Plains.

Chevrolet Reduces Prices

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1926

Touring	\$510
Roadster	\$510
Coupe	\$645
Coach	\$645
Sedan	\$735
1/2-Ton Truck	\$395
1-Ton Truck	\$550

All Prices f. o. b. Flint, Michigan

Briley Chevrolet Co.

QUALITY AT LOW COST

HOGAN'S "The Store Ahead"

JUST RECEIVED

Ladies Spring HATS



Some of the Spring's newest numbers. You should see these numbers. Choice \$4.95

Have You Seen Our New

SPRING COATS and Dresses

Everyone is pleased who has seen them.

Priced at \$11.45 to \$18.45

LOANS

B. H. HALL ROBINSON

LOANS

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Frank Schneider of Wilson was in town Monday, and while here dropped into The News office to pay up his subscription for another twelve months.

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Lee Pierson Seeks Place On Court Of Criminal Appeals

Several criticizing the system of reversing of cases by the Higher Courts because of technicalities and taking as his campaign slogan, "Swifter justice and fewer technicalities," Lee P. Pierson of Dallas, one of the leading lawyers of the state, today formally announced his candidacy for a position on the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas subject to the Democratic primary in 1926. Mr. Pierson in his statement said "Life is cheap in Texas." He also gave as one reason because of this fact the system of continual reversing of cases because of technicalities, stating that same adds encouragement to the lawless element. Mr. Pierson further stated that one of the greatest menaces today was "the hi-jacker with his pistol in one pocket and his technicalities in the other." "There should be rules of law," Mr. Pierson said, "but a technicality is not a rule of law, but a loop-hole by which criminals escape the punishment they deserve. The jurors can convict and our District Judge can use their every effort to enforce the law and send the criminals to the penitentiary, but if our Higher Courts continually reverse their cases because of technicalities, crime will not be stopped in Texas."

Mr. Pierson's statement in part follows:

Governments were organized to regulate the actions of mankind, and dependent upon the subservience of the citizenship of this government to the duly organized and constituted channels of government is the future welfare of this state and nation. The constitution of our government is the bulwark of our civilization; and a departure from such or the refusal to enforce our laws through such agencies will lead to lawlessness and crime. Therefore, I say that I am opposed to mob violence, and believe in the strict enforcement of our laws through the duly constituted authorities of our state; and a strict compliance with the constitution, the organic law of our land.

Crime and lawlessness are rampant in our state; life is cheap and property is subjected to the hi-jacker and thief on our highways; to such an extent that one hesitates to peaceably drive over them. De-

lays in meeting our justice by constant reversals of cases adds encouragement to the lawless element. I favor swifter justice and fewer technicalities in our administration of the laws of the state; and when I am elected Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals of Texas will lend my services to the state of Texas to the end that life will be safer and property rights rigidly guarded. For example; I will not reverse a case every time the District Attorney sneezes at the defendant in the trial of a hi-jacker; neither will I reverse a case on the trial of a murderer because the deceased was killed with a "sucker rod" and hold that "the state did not prove that a sucker rod is a deadly weapon." The intent and not the instrument used is only material; The defendant should be given a fair trial, but the citizenship of Texas should be protected from the promiscuous turning loose of criminals upon the general public through the technicality route.

I am opposed to the Courts constantly reversing their own opinions; such could be constructed as not giving such cases close study at the time of their first hearing, and causes much delay and congestion in our courts, and as a result many important cases have to remain on the docket unheard, while such court reviews its former judgments and reverses itself. The constitution of Texas gives each member of this court eighteen months paid vacation in each term of office, at the rate of \$6,500.00 per year, or a total of \$9,750.00 vacation money each term of office, or a total for the three members of the Court of approximately \$30,000.00 each term of office. A portion of such time could be utilized in the study of records so that constant mistakes in opinions might not occur. With congested dockets this is too much vacation. I believe it an intolerable and unjustifiable practice for this High Court to reverse its own decisions, especially when such action is taken because of the admitted fact that the case had not been carefully studied in the first place.

I favor a system of rendition of not be continually repeating the same proposition of law in different cases, writing page after page of the Court's opinion on the same proposition of well-settled laws. It will be my policy to urge that when a proposition was decided by this court simply say that "This proposition was decided by this court in _____ case in _____ volume of the Southwestern Reporter on page _____ and is the law of the state."; instead of writing a long judicial opinion restating decisions already covering hundreds of pages of our law books. This method alone would effect a tremendous saving of time and money in the conducting of our courts.

I have always been opposed to the Ku Klux Klan attempting to control the politics of this state. When Democracy was endangered in Texas I was one who came to her assistance and fought for the preservation of a free and untrammelled Democracy. If occasion demands I will do it again.

Lee P. Pierson

MARRIAGES

W. E. Smith and Miss Snoma Brown were issued marriage licenses on January 9th. Both of these people are from the New Home community, and Mr. Smith is the son of J. H. Smith of New Home. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. T. Edwards.

R. D. Orman and Miss Lela Hudgens of Loulynn were married January 4th by Rev. A. S. Bowerman Judson Lee and Miss Rita Greenlee, both of whom live near O'Donnell, were married January 9th by Rev. W. A. Kercheville, Christian minister at O'Donnell.

A paper of excellent quality has recently been made out of cornstalks. A pound of cornstalks will make over half as much paper.

Pearls can be given their original luster and beauty by washing them in fresh honey.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Lynn County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon J. H. Early by making publication of this citation once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Lynn County, Texas, to be holden at the courthouse thereof in Tahoka, Texas, in the third Monday in February, 1926, the same being the 15th day of February, 1926, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 5th day of January A. D. 1926, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said court No. 615, wherein E. S. Davis is plaintiff, and J. H. Early and O. E. Early are defendants, said petition alleging that the plaintiff conveyed to the defendant, J. H. Early on the 1st day of December, 1924, 172.8 acres of land out of Survey No 15, in Block 8, surveyed by virtue of Certificate No. 648 issued to the E. L. & R. R. Co., and beng all of that part of said survey lying West of the Panhandle and Santa Fe Railroad right-of-way, and situated in Lynn County, Texas, by a written deed of conveyance of that date, and that as a part of the consideration for said conveyance the said J. H. Early executed to plaintiff ten (10) promissory notes for \$533.00 each, dated December 1st, 1924, bearing interest from date at the rate of eight per centum per annum, the interest payable annually, providing for ten per cent attorney's fees, stipulating that failure to pay either of said notes or the interest thereon, when due should, at the election of the holder thereof, mature all of said notes remaining unpaid, payable to the order of E. S. Davis, at Tahoka, Texas, on the 1st day of December 1925, 1926, 1927, 1928, 1929, 1930 1931 1932, 1933, and 1934, respectively, and that the vendor's lien was expressly reserved in said deed of conveyance and in said promissory notes; that the defendant, J. H. Early, failed and refused to pay the note falling due on December 1st, 1925, and the interest on said entire series of notes, and still fails and refuses to pay the same, and that plaintiff, in accordance with the provisions of said notes and conveyance, on the 14th day of December, 1925, elected to declare and did declare all of said notes due and payable, and that the defendant still fails and refuses to pay the same or any part thereof; that the defendant, O. E. Early, is claiming some character of right of possession to said land, the exact nature of which is unknown to plaintiff, but that plaintiff's vendor's lien is superior to any right of the defendant, O. E. Early; that by reason of the premises, said deed or conveyance and promissory notes should be cancelled and held for naught, and plaintiff should have the title and possession of said land, and plaintiff sues in the form of trespass to try title against the defendants, J. H. Early and O. E. Early

Plaintiff further alleges and pleads in the alternative, the conveyance and notes above mentioned, and the maturity thereof, and alleges annual rental value of said land to be \$2000.00, and that his damages are \$7000.00.

Plaintiff prays for judgment for the title and possession of said land, and for the cancellation of said deed of conveyance and vendor's lien notes, and that writ of restitution issue, and for his rents, damages and costs of suit; Or, in the alternative that he have judgment for his debt, interest, attorney's fees, and costs of suit, and for a foreclosure of his lien on said land.

Herein fail not, but have you before said court on the 1st day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, this the 5th day of January, A. D. 1926.

W. E. Smith, Clerk District Court, Lynn County, Texas.

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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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A decision of the Supreme Court of the United States seems to have the effect of invalidating a large amount of road bonds issued in numerous counties scattered throughout the state. There is considerable agitation in favor of a special session of the legislature to validate these bonds. It would seem that this is about the only alternative, for the sacredness of the state's obligation must be preserved. At any rate, the holders of these bonds should be given every possible assurance that they will be validated and paid.

This is election year. The time has come for candidates to announce for the various offices. In the selection of our officials, we too often permit our vote to be influenced by considerations of friendship. The matter of friendship has its rightful place almost everywhere but no voter should permit it to be the consideration. The public welfare is the first matter that should be considered, and the candidate who is best qualified from the standpoint of competency and honesty should receive the support of the voters regardless of matters of personal friendship, except possibly in rare instances. Let us be just as careful in selecting our public officials as we would be in selecting our private employees and there will probably be less complaint at the character of public service rendered.

Volume 1, Number 1, of the Garza County News, published at Post came to our desk the other day. The editor of the new publication is Sterling Williams, formerly connected with the Sweetwater Daily Reporter and more recently with the Abilene Times. The paper is very neat in appearance, carries much live reading matter, and promises to be a credit to the city of Post. Though the first issue was printed in Abilene, the editor says in his introductory statement that he will soon have a plant ready to install in Post. Williams is a young man, full of energy and determination, and we predict for him success with his new paper.

The candidate is abroad in the land. Men's characters are often revealed by the manner in which they treat the candidate. Some take a delight in making the candidate feel bad; they like to get him in a close place and rub it in. They take advantage of his situation to "roast" him, to treat him with contempt, to harass him in every way possible. Some take advantage of his candidacy to "pull his leg." They profess undying friendship and strong admiration for him, and then at the opportune moment they let him understand that some favor from him would be appreciated. Sometimes whole communities undertake to pull the candidate's leg by letting him know that they expect him to "dig up" with a donation for this or that community enterprise. The ordinary candidate feels that he

must respond, whether he is financially able to do so or not, else he will be dubbed as "short" and may lose many votes in the community. This is all wrong; and no man and no community should resort to this method of extracting the coin from those who offer for office. There are candidates who can not say "No" to the candidate. They wish to make him feel good and they encourage him to believe that they expect to vote for him when in fact they have no intention of doing so. They thus deceive and mislead him and sometimes do him a grave injustice. We ought to be fair and honest with the candidate just as we are with other men in other relations in life. This is merely another case in which we should apply the golden rule. Do unto the candidate as you would have him do unto you if you were in his place.

SAME OVER HERE

There are several candidates in prospect. Gentlemen, if you are going to run it is better to get in early. It does not cost any more and the newspaper does not make any more out of it, but he sooner you are in the ring the sooner your friends will line up for you and some times you avoid running against someone else as if they knew you were coming out, they might not, but once in the race, a fellow can't hardly pull out. Throw your hat in the ring. We ought to have at least 79 for County Judge and 76 for Sheriff and 75 or 80 for Superintendent of Public Instruction and on down the line. 82 might run for treasurer and 60 or 20 for Assessor and there is the Clerk's office that no one seems to want and on down the line. Get in the ring, dog gone it, we need the money.—Lamesa Reporter.

CHRISTMAS IN THE HOLY LAND

Cleveland Plain Dealer: The Turks are all out of the Christian Holy Land. When they were in control there was mostly peace, for the Turks were interested only as rulers and not as sons of the soil. The Christians powers of Western Europe, aided by the Moslem Arabs, drove out the Turks in order that there might be enlightenment and happiness for all.

Now Christmas is at hand, and the Holy Land is a land of hatreds which have blazed into fierce war in the north and which are only with difficulty kept from flaming in general conflagration. The Christmas season of peace and good will is in Syria a time of blood and death, and in Palestine a time of suspense and uncertainty. Further south, in the Hedjaz which is the Holy Land of Islam, the kigly family which sent Arab soldiers to fight side by side with European Christians, has been driven into exile and wild men from the desert hold full sway. Mecca and Medina have felt the shock of war. Jerusalem has been saved from this dismay; but Damascus with all the land around the ancient mother of cities has been swept with the fire of conflict and piled with death.

France has made a bad work of covering Syria. Great Britain has one marvelously well in governing Palestine, but her best has not been good enough to heal or even mitigate the bitter racial differences. As for the worthy Hedjazites, the proud Arabs who welcome the Christians and who have taken the honors of kingship under European sanction, they have been practically annihilated, though a section of the house is still mock-king of Iraq, where he Turks, resentful and unawed, threaten war against the British and their proteges.

Throughout this mixed region, which includes the Holy Lands of Judaism, Christianity and Islam, anywhere else in the whole world. For here is more terror and horror than the time being, almost all the red heat of war which has never cooled or dimmed since the great war ended is concentrated in this one unhappy era. It is a Christmas of gloom, and in the murk and the lurid welter no one can today see the faintest star of hope pointing the way to peace, or fraternity.

HISTORICAL

Waco Times-Herald: In its palmy days the Democratic party asked no quarters and gave none. But today it has no definite program, and its representatives in the Congress, with some rare exceptions, are bidding for the radical vote, which vote is never satisfied to let well enough alone, with the consequence that in election calls, Pity 'tis 'tis true.

The Democratic party used to represent certain principles which needed representation. The agricultural interest was the Democratic party's own. When the Republican party came into being it was called the radical party and was rightly named, time considered. It demanded a revolutionary change in the economic and social factors which had been fundamental in American life from the beginning. That demand brought on the Civil War. The revolution was accomplished. The thing was inevitable, of course, and its inevitability should have been discerned by the seers of the Democratic party, especially those in the agricultural South. But the South at that juncture was represented by misanthropic orators and theatrical fireeaters who could visualize no American that did not comprehend Colonial institutions. After the war the Republican party became the organ of the business elements. Backed by larger wealth, and buttressed by greater populations in its geographical area steadily. Business thrived and agriculture, which had only an invalid Democratic party to sponsor it in Congress, fared second best. That situation remains until this day. But latterly, instead of representing agriculture to the utmost of its capacity, the Democratic party has frivolved with the lomatic fringes of the population and sought support in quarters where there was a heavy output of hysteria and few votes. The Democratic party now it looked upon as radical and the Republican party as conservative, and as American is conservative through and through, the Democratic party stands practically orphaned.—State Press in Dallas News.

Land owners in Texas in 1924 received \$192,115,166 from oil companies in the form of rentals, bonuses, and royalties.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To The Sheriff of Lynn County, Texas Greeting.

You are hereby commanded to summon J. B. Clapp by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day thereof. In some newspaper published in your County, if there be a newspaper published therein, but if not then in the nearest County where a newspaper is published, to appear at the next regular term of County Court, of Lynn County, to be held at the Court-house thereof, on the 4th Monday of January, A. D. 1926, the same being the 25th day of January, A. D. 1926, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 5th day of December, A. D. 1925, in a suit numbered on the docket of the said Court, No. 379, wherein J. V. Conner, is plaintiff and J. B. Clapp is defendant, plaintiff alleging that on or about the 1st day of February, A. D. 1925, he was the owner of a certain Buick automobile of the value of THREE HUNDRED (\$300.00) Dollars, and that the defendant on or about said day and year aforesaid, without the consent of the plaintiff took the possession of said automobile and converted the same to his own use and benefit to his damage in the sum of THREE HUNDRED (\$300.00) DOLLARS, for which damages plaintiff sues.

Herein fall not, but have your before said Court on the said 1st day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness, W. E. Smith, Clerk of the County Court, of Lynn County, Texas. Given under my hand and the seal of the said Court in the town of Tahoka, this 5th day of December, A. D. 1925.

W. E. Smith, Clerk, County Court, Lynn County, Texas

LUBBOCK IS DRY AS RESULT OF RECENT DRIVE

The lid is on tight insofar as drinks are concerned in Lubbock since sheriff H. L. Johnston and Police Chief May announcing their finding in the drawing of one of the biggest dry nets ever drug in Lubbock. With between 30 and 40 drugs

store and confectionery operators facing investigation by the Lubbock County Grand Jury on charges of violating the prohibition laws. Lubbock took on a desert-like dryness yesterday, and few cases of intoxication were reported to officers and all of this was traceable to "stock" the imbibers had evidently obtained prior to the wholesale raid that was made by the officers. The work the officers have just completed is evidence that violation of any of the prohibition laws and treading on thin ice if they operate in Lubbock county.—Lubbock Avalanche.

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T-BAR NEWS

The health of the community is good.

The school is progressing fine. We have also enrolled several new pupils during the past week.

Three Lakes and T-Bar will play basketball at T-Bar school house Friday afternoon. Everybody come and watch the game.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Payne are the proud parents of a baby girl, born December 25.

Brother Montana will preach here every 1st and 3rd Sundays. Come out and listen to his good sermons.

A party at Mr. James' Wednesday night as enjoyed by all the young people.

Miss Sallie Johnson from Hale Center is visiting her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Clay Sparks.

Miss Shortie Waldrop is visiting her sister at Cameron, Texas.

Miss Leana Cook, Audrie Cook, and Mr. George Richerson from Wells visited at the home of H. W. Crews and family last Sunday night.

Miss Eva Moore and Mr. Calvin Dorman were married last Sunday night, January 3rd.

The Ninth Grade Class regrets very much to lose Eva Moore from their class and also from the basketball team.

Mr. Jay Hicks and family have moved to Coleman county. Mr. Tom Ellis and family are moving to Three Lakes. The community regrets the loss of these families.

The T-Bar girls' and boys' basketball teams will play Wells Friday evening. Wells, you had better be careful, for T-Bar stands ready to play any team, lose or gain. T-Bar has played 2 games since school started. We played Joe Bailey and won. The boys and girls played Three Lakes last Friday, the girls' score being 5 to 22 in favor of T-Bar and the boys' 12 to 21 in T-Bar's favor. Everyone come and watch us win the game at T-Bar school Friday evening. Vera Nichols is captain of the girls' team, and Carol Townzen is captain of the boys' team.

There has been a good deal of moving done the past week and will be more this week. Lewis Briley moved where Mr. Jordan lived last year. Mr. Sparkman and Mr. Lawton Payne are moving to Dr. Callaway's place east of Tahoka. Mr. H. W. Crews is moving to Mr. Chambers' farm one-half mile north of T-Bar school house. Mr. M. G. Andrews and Mr. Billings will move soon, but we haven't learned the places. Mr. Johnson from South Ward will live on Mr. W. L. Kuykendall's farm.

There was preaching at T-Bar Sunday evening by Rev. Hicks, our pastor.

The party at Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Crews' Saturday night was enjoyed by all who attended.

That's what old Caesar did
And grabbed the Gauls for Rome,
What was the first thing that he did
To make them feel at home?
Did he increase the people's loads,
And liberty forbid?
No! he dug in and built good roads
—That's what old Caesar did.
He built good roads from hill to hill
Good roads from vale to vale,
He ran a good-roads movement
Till Rome got all the kale;
He told the folks to buy at home,
Build roads their ruts to rid,
Until all roads led up to Rome—
That's what old Caesar did.
If any town would make itself
The center of the map,
Where folks will come and settle
down
And live in plenty's lap;
Of poverty would rid,
Let it go out and build good roads
—Just like old Caesar did.

The grape fruit crop of the lower Rio Grande Valley this season is expected to be about 1,000 car loads.

Buffalo Gym Is Largest In Texas

Canyon, Texas, January 13.—The West Texas State Teachers college Buffalo basketball team will play more games at home during the coming season than ever before. Fully two-thirds of the games will be played on the new gymnasium floor at the Teachers college. The new gymnasium is the culmination of the dreams, efforts and money of the business men of Canyon, the student body, and of President Hill, all of whom have been untiring in their efforts in behalf of an adequate gymnasium for the accommodation of the great basketball teams which Coach Burton has never failed to develop. Mention should also be made of the assistance of the faculty which contributed nearly \$1,500 to the construction of the gym.

The gymnasium has a seating capacity of 1,000, and could be made to accommodate nearly two thousand. It is built of tile and is fireproof. As soon as enough money has been raised the interior will be plastered and the exterior will be pebble-dashed. The gym is heated at the present by four great stoves and is most comfortable even in the coldest weather.

For the accommodation of the student body the entire east section, seating about 650, has been reserved. The west section has been reserved, city of 400 with room for enlargement for visitors, and has a seating capacity.

No game will be called before eight o'clock in order that all people wishing to attend will be given ample time to secure seats and see the start of every game. This arrangement will allow out of town visitors who wish to drive in for the games, plenty of time.

Buffalo Gym is the largest gymnasium in Texas, has a regulation playing floor, the highest ceiling, 28 feet, and is well lighted.

LOWRIE—CHRISTIAN

Miss Lenore Lowrie and Z. T. Christian were married in Lamesa on Christmas Eve. Miss Lowrie is principal of the Newmoore school and taught in the O'Donnell school the past two years. Mr. Christian has been operating a farm southeast of town the past two seasons.—O'Donnell Index.

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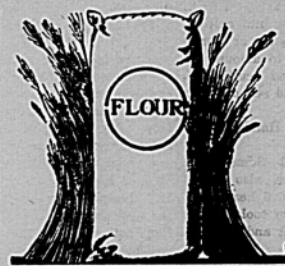
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Chevrolet Decreases Prices of Cars

Detroit, Mich., Jan. 3.—In the face of a 40 per cent increase in tire prices effective Jan. 1, and the rise in prices of material generally, Chevrolet Motor company announced today a reduction in the prices of Chevrolet passenger cars and the commercial chassis.

The decrease comes at a time when several other manufacturers have increased the price of their cars. The reduction in Chevrolet prices is rendered possible by the tremendous production established during the year when the company set a new record in automotive history by building more than a half million units, according to W. C. Knudsen, president and general manager of the company. The other manufacturer of three gear shift cars has approached Chevrolet that total or the aggregate production of two million cars and trucks which Chevrolet passed last year.

The revised price list is as follows: Sedan reduced to a new price of \$445; Coach reduced to a new price of \$465; Touring and Roadster reduced to a new price of \$510; Commercial Chassis reduced to a new price of \$395. The Utility Express chassis remains at \$550. The new prices are effective Jan. 1. This second Chevrolet price reduction is within six months. On Aug. 1

the coach and coupe prices were reduced \$40 each and the sedan was reduced \$50.

"The revision in prices is in line with Chevrolet's policy of providing the public with a quality car at the lowest possible price," said Mr. Knudsen.

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In order to close out my stock of Ladies Hats, Your choice for \$2.00 each. They are a bargain come early. H. M. Larkin

FOR SALE—Few Choice Rhode Island Red Cockerels. Will buy double and thrilled disc plows and Jersey cows.—Will Montgomery. 19-2tp

FREE LAND FOR CULTIVATION
I have 320. acres good farm land 12 or 15 Miles South of Tahoka, to give to responsible party, FREE. one year for putting it into cultivation. If interested, see me or write me for particulars as to amount required to be broken and cultivated, and other details, would sell or trade it for town property.
W. L. Cash, Hamlin Texas

I HAVE FOR SALE—Some good bundle maize and cane, also baled maize, cane and Sudan, 6 head work stock, wagons and farm tools. L. W. C. Gollehon, 5 mi. East and 2 mi N. Tahoka. 17-3tp

FOR SALE—At bargain, set of Student Reference Books See this office.

FOR SALE—TEAMS, Tools, and feed for sale cheap. Also 250 acres of land to rent to right parties. See W. M. Rush or Phone No. 59—W 13—2tp.

FOR SALE: 160 acres of land in Cochran county at \$7.00 per acre and 6-room house in Tahoka. A. G. Freeman. 3-c

LUBBOCK AVALANCHE
Buy The Morning Avalanche at the limit. It arrives in town early in the day on the same date that it is printed. It brings the first news to town every day. adv.

LOST

Strays—One black and one brown horse mule, about 5 and 6 years old, about 14 1/2 hands high, have been at my place 6 miles southwest of town about six weeks. Owner may procure same by paying for this notice and upkeep of mules. C. J. Campbell. 21-c

WANTED

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FOR RENT—Two front rooms. Old Ketter home. Jim Wetzel 20 1tp.

MISCELLANEOUS

Carpenter work and cabinet making jobs done promptly.—H. C. Critchfield. phone 13.

Texans' Likeness To Be On Stone Mountain

Austin, January 8.—The cut produced by Texas Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial Coin headquarters, showing likeness of Judge John H. General Tom Green, John B. Reagan, Governor L. S. Ross and Hood and Albert Sydney Johnston surrounding the battle flag of the First Texas Regiment of Hood's Brigade, is wanted by the Atlanta Journal for reproduction in Georgia's campaign. It is praised in a letter received by Chairman Lon A. Smith Friday as one of the most original and helpful suggestions made in the South. The Texans are in the panorama being chiseled into Stone Mountain by Augustus Lukeman.

Women appear to have taken the lead in the campaign for distribution of 475,000 of the half dollars in Texas. Keen rivalry is shown in their sales, especially among those in the sponsors' race. Miss Frances Oberthier of Hereford, who put over that town's quota in one day, is being backed by Panhandle people for sponsorship honors.

An adjustable potato peeler has recently been invented for left handed housewives.

GETS CARNEGIE HERO MEDAL

O'Donnell Woman Receives Award For Husband's Efforts To Save Oliver Humphries

Mrs. Della M. Singleton, who lost her husband N. H. Singleton by drowning in Beard Lake near Midland on July 29, 1924, in an effort to save Oliver E. Humphries from drowning, has been awarded a bronze medal and death benefits at the rate of \$40 per month with \$5 a month additional on account of each child by the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission. It was through the courtesy of Mrs. A. A. House that the attention of the commission was called to the heroic act of Mr. Singleton and the award was made.

On July 29th, 1924, N. L. Singleton and family and O. E. Humphrey and wife went to Beard Lake for a fishing trip. Arriving there at 4:30 p. m. the men decided to swim across a prong of the lake in order to secure a boat. Mr. Humphrey went in first and shortly cried out that he was cramping and returned to land. He soon went into the water again and was once more seized with the cramps and went under calling for help. Mr. Singleton went to his aid and reached him as he was going under the third time, getting hold of his shirt under the arm but Mr. Humphrey grasped him around the neck in an embrace of death and they both went to the bottom to rise no more.

A message was sent to Midland for help and the sheriff with several citizens quickly responded, arriving at the lake about dark and immediately set to work to recover the bodies which were brought to shore at 1:30 a. m. In the meantime, the families of the drowned men were taken to the C ranch, four miles away and every kindness shown them. After the bodies were recovered they were taken to Midland, later brought back to their homes for burial.

The bronze medal is a work of art and on the front side bears the portrait in relief of the founder of the fund, Andrew Carnegie. On the reverse side it bears words in relief: "Noah T. Singleton, who died attempting to save Oliver E. Humphrey from drowning, Midland, Texas, July 29, 1924," and Greater love hath no man than this that a man lay down his life for a friend."—O'Donnell Index.

A. W. Gibson Candidate For District Attorney

To The Voters of the 106th Judicial District:

In announcing my candidacy for the office of District Attorney, I wish to call attention to the fact that, under our form of Government, to you is delegated the privilege and duty of selecting those who will act as your representatives, while in office, in guarding your lives, your property, your rights and your liberty and the coming elections should be a matter of deep concern to every citizen, both men and women. So don't forget to pay your poll tax before the first of February.

I am offering myself as a candidate for the office of District Attorney, because, having served in that capacity since the creation of the District in August 1925, I have become familiar with the work in the six counties composing the District, and believe I can serve you better than anyone to whom the duties are not familiar.

Having been in the active practice of law for twenty-seven years, not many situations can arise with which I am not familiar, and the dockets of the courts, having become heavily crowded before the division of the District, the work is heavy and I find my past wide experience in criminal law of great benefit.

I am a consistent supporter of the Democratic Ticket; voted for State wide prohibition and woman suffrage in every election when these questions were an issue; I am an active member of the church; propose to live within the law myself, and favor a prompt and vigorous enforcement of all criminal laws.

I love the friendship and confidence of my fellowman, and would highly appreciate your vote and influence. In fact, I would very much like to be an official of ALL the people of the District. My motto will be "Duty First, Politics Second," and while I shall make an effort to see every voter personally, please remember that the territory that I have to cover is large, and most of my time must be devoted to the present duties of the office.

Yours faithfully,
A. W. Gibson.

Price Announces For District Attorney

TO THE VOTERS OF 106th JUDICIAL DISTRICT:

I hereby announce myself as a Candidate for District Attorney of the 106th. Judicial District of Texas.

I was born and raised in Lampasas County, Texas; am 44 years of age, and have been in the active practice of law for a number of years and served as County Attorney of San Saba County and during all this time I assisted the District Attorney in many cases, and on several occasions I served in the capacity of District Attorney, hence I have had experience, both as County and District Attorney in the prosecution of criminal cases, and with a number of years experience as defense attorney. I feel that I am qualified to fill the office to which I aspire satisfactory to the people and with credit to myself.

If the people of this District see fit to elect me to this office I shall use my best efforts to enforce the law without fear or favor to any one. I shall endeavor to prosecute and not persecute all violators of the law I am running on my own merits and not on the demerits of any one else. I am not the candidate of any faction but expect, if elected, to represent all the people in the enforcement of the laws of this District.

It will be impossible for me to see personally all the people in the District before the Primary in July but I shall appreciate the support and influence of citizens of this District.

Sincerely yours,
T. L. Price.

CITATION ON APPLICATION FOR PROBATE OF WILL

The State of Texas To the Sheriff or Any Constable of Lynn County Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published once a week for ten days, exclusive of the first day of publication, before the return day hereof, in some newspaper of general circulation published in said county, which has been continuously and regularly published in said county for a period of not less than one year; the following notice:

The State of Texas. To all persons interested in the Estate of T. T. Williams, Deceased:

L. E. Williams of Floyd County, Texas, has filed in the county court of Lynn County, Texas, an application for the probate of the last will and testament of the said T. T. Williams, deceased, filed with said application, and for letters testamentary of the estate of T. T. Williams, deceased, which will be heard at the

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next term of said court, commencing on the fourth Monday in January, A. D. 1926, the same being on the 25th day of January, A. D. 1925, at the courthouse of said county, in Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas, at which time all persons interested in said estate may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you then before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court at my office in Tahoka, Texas, this the 12th day of January A. D. 1925.

W. E. Smith Clerk County Court Lynn County, Texas.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Lynn To The Sheriff or Any Constable of Lynn County. Greeting:

You are hereby commanded, to cause to be published once a week for ten days, exclusive of the first day of publication, before the return day hereof, in some newspaper of general circulation published in said county, which has been continuously and regularly published in said county for a period of not less than one year; the following notice:

The State of Texas County of Lynn To all persons interested in the welfare of the Estate of J. N. Jones, deceased:

You are hereby notified, that A. L. Lockwood has filed in the County Court of Lynn County, Texas, an application for letters of temporary administration upon the Estate of J. N. Jones, deceased, and on the 24th day of October, A. D. 1925, by order of the County Judge of said Lynn County, the said A. L. Lockwood was appointed temporary administrator of the Estate of the said J. N. Jones deceased, and at the next regular term of said court, commencing on the 4th Monday in January, A. D. 1925, the same being the 25th day of January, A. D. 1925, at the courthouse thereof, in Tahoka, Texas, at which time all persons interested in the welfare of said Estate are hereby cited to appear and contest said appointment, if they so desire, and if such appointment is not contested at the said term of said court, then the same shall become permanent.

Herein fail not, but have you then before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and seal of said court, at office in Tahoka, Texas, this the 25th day of November, A. D. 1925

W. E. Smith Clerk, County Court, Lynn County, Texas.

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Majority of U. of T. Freshmen Graduates Accredited H. S's.

Austin, Texas, Jan. 14—With 972 freshmen students entering the University of Texas last fall as graduates of accredited high schools, the total enrollment by this means greatly exceeds any other, according to figures given out in the office of the University registrar. Of the various other means of entering there were four who took all the necessary entrance examinations, 26 who entered with a combination of entrance examinations and diploma, that is, they had some acceptable entrance credits, but not the required minimum which necessitated their taking the entrance examinations; 71 by individual approval, and none with the state teachers certificate which allows credit for subjects taken in the state teachers' examination.

According to the Einstein theory, light has weight, although it is of course very small. An ordinary electric light would produce a pound if it burned continuously for thirty two million years.

Citation By Publication

The State Of Texas. To The Sheriff Or Any Constable Oy Lynn County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon S. D. McCormack by making publication of this citation once each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county, to appear at the next regular term of the District Court of Lynn County, to be holden at the courthouse thereof in Tahoka, on the third Monday in February, A. D. 1926, the same being the 15th day of February, A. D. 1926, then and there to answer a petition filed in said court on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1926, in a suit numbered on docket of said Court No. 617, wherein F. O. Greathouse is plaintiff and S. D. McCormack is defendant, said petition alleging that on or about the 15th day of January, 1923, S. D. McCormack owned Lots 1 and 2, in Block 9 of the original town of Tahoka, Lynn County, Texas, and had paid in cash FIVE HUNDRED SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS on the purchase price of said Lots and had executed notes for the approximate sum of TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS, that about the 15th day of January, 1923, the plaintiff and defendant entered into a partnership agreement and defendant conveyed to plaintiff one-half interest in the above described Lots, and it was agreed that plaintiff and defendant would erect a filling station and building on said Lots, and each pay for half of said Lots and for half of the building, and it was further agreed that defendant and plaintiff would run a filling station in said building and divide the profits therefrom equally, and to pay equally the losses or expenses thereof, that plaintiff should run said filling station and receive for his services a salary of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS per month, that the defendant S. D. McCormack should work elsewhere and collect for his work and his wages be his individual funds.

That parties erected a building on said Lot, that plaintiff paid in on said building the sum of SIXTY TWO HUNDRED FIFTY ONE DOLLARS, FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS was paid April 6th, 1923, THREE THIRTY TWO DOLLARS paid February 3rd, 1924, TWELVE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS paid December 5th 1924, SIX HUNDRED SIXTY NINE December 29th, 1924, that on February 29th, 1924, plaintiff paid TWENTY ONE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS on the Lots above described January 2nd, 1925, paid ELEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY SEVEN AND 23-100 DOLLARS, total of NINETY FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT and 23-100 DOLLARS, plaintiff paid on building, Lots and paving, that by agreement each was to pay for half of paving.

That about June 1st, 1922, defendant paid TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS in cash on said Lots, and about the 1st day of November 1922, defendant paid THREE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS on said Lots and on different dates in February and March, 1923, defendant paid on the building the aggregate sum of THIRTEEN HUNDRED FORTY NINE AND 35-100 DOLLARS, that plaintiff and defendant operated said building and premises as a filling station from May 1st, 1923 until September 1st, 1924, that during the operation of said business it run at a loss, and on February 1st, 1924, the defendant left Lynn County, Texas, and that the plaintiff has no knowledge or idea as to the whereabouts of the defendant.

The defendant McCormack between March 1st, 1923, and September 5th, 1923, took out of said business at dif-

ferent times amounts aggregating THIRTEEN HUNDRED SIXTY NINE and 60-100 DOLLARS, that plaintiff took out of said business in various amounts from July 1st, 1923, to July 5th, 1924, FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY THREE DOLLARS, that about the 10th day of September, 1924, plaintiff leased said premises to John Beard, who ran said business until the 1st day of February, 1925, on commission basis, and during said period paid the plaintiff THREE HUNDRED NINETY THREE AND 75-100 DOLLARS, that on February 1st, 1925, plaintiff leased the business to J. Y. Thompson until September 10th, 1925, who paid commission of SIX HUNDRED FORTY FOUR AND 81-100 DOLLARS, that since September 10th, 1925, the building has been leased to L. Williams for \$120.00 per month for September, October and November, 1925, and \$100.00 per month for December 1925, and January, 1926, total of \$560.00, that plaintiff has received in all for rents and commissions \$1598.56.

That plaintiff has collected on various accounts \$513.54, since he ceased to operate the business and paid out during that time on accounts owed by the plaintiff and defendant on said business \$1857.15, plaintiff has paid out on the above described lands, building, paving and accounts the sum of \$11,445.38, and has taken out of business \$2,665.72, defendant has paid into said business, lot and building \$1,924.35, and taken out of the business \$1,369.50. By agreement plaintiff and defendant each were to share half of the costs of the Lots and building and to share each half of the profits or losses, and if either party put into said business or building and Lots more than half the purchase price that other would pay ten per cent on the amount paid in over and above half said amount, that \$13,369.58 has been paid in on said building, lots, accounts and paving. By agreement parties were to pay half of said amount. Plaintiff has paid his half and defendant has only paid \$1,924.00 and in addition to plaintiff paying his half he has paid \$4,760.44 more for the account of the defendant, which the defendant promised to pay plaintiff with ten per cent interest. Plaintiff has drawn from said business \$2665.72 and the defendant \$1369.59, that plaintiff owes defendant \$648.00 by reason of such withdraws from the business, that defendant is indebted to the plaintiff \$4,112.33 with interest thereon from the 6th day of April, 1923, and interest on various amounts from dates above set out \$1,000.00.

Plaintiff prays for citation and that upon final partnership accounting he has judgment against the defendant in the sum of \$5112.33 with interest, and that the partnership existing between plaintiff and defendant be dissolved, and the property of said defendant be sold in satisfaction of said judgment and plaintiff have judgment against the defendant decreeing a lien on defendant's interest in said property, foreclosure of lien, costs of suit, for general and special relief in law and equity.

Herein fail not, but have before said court on the said first day of the next term thereof, this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Witness W. E. Smith, Clerk of the District Court of Lynn County.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, in the town of Tahoka, this the 14th day of January, A. D. 1926.

W. E. Smith, Clerk of District Court of Lynn County, Texas.

Issued this the 14th day of January, A. D. 1926.

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POSTOFFICE RECEIPTS GRFOW

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says: "I wish to thank and congratulate all of our patrons who showed such a splendid spirit of co-operation through the year just past, and especially through the holiday rush. As a result of this friendly co-operation on your part and a plenty of good work on the part of the office force, we are rather proud to say that each day's business was completed each day; that no packages were lost; and that only two claims for insured or C. O. D. mail have been filed and they were for goods damaged in the mail before reaching this office.

"The receipts of our office are a splendid indication of the healthy growth of our community. We are promised, in the near future, a nice new home for Uncle Sam."

U. S. REPORTS FARM CENSUS
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Plowable	101,526
Woodland	142
Other	
Woodland not pastured	42
All other land	1,791
Farm Values	
Land & bldgs	\$9,136,863 \$10,818,722
Land alone	7,982,347 9,695,527
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Buildings	1,154,516 1,123,195
Livestock On Farm	
Horses	2,522 3,711
Mules	2,547 1,520
Cattle, total	8,213 17,509
Beef cows*	3,030 7,683
Other beef cattle	2,094 6,954
Dairy cows*	1,848 1,666
Other dairy cattle	1,241 1,206
Swine, total	1416 3,957
Breeding sows**	246 791
Principal Crops	
	1924 1919
Corn	Acres 461 4,521
	Bushels 5,295 111,724
Wheat	Acres 656 1,824
	Bushels 14,336 18,354
Sorghum for grain:	
Acres	28,889 28,825
Bushels	655,790 1,017,963
Hay:	
Acres	109 1,216
Tons	4,848 1,725
Sorghum for silage, hay, or fodder:	
Acres	3,332 6,261
Cotton:	
Acres	102,001 23,095
Bales	34,230 9,362
**Sows and gilts for breeding purposes 6 months old and over.	
**Includes a considerable quantity of sorghum hay cut from a part of the acreage reported for "Sorghum for silage, hay, or fodder."	

P. T. SHOWING FINE SPIRIT

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approaches you in regard to the matter, think seriously before you turn them down. It is an opportunity that presents itself only once a year. Let's not let it pass.

The next part on the program was a very interesting and revealing talk made by Supt. Nelson on the condition of the school of Tahoka and its pressing need. This talk included a statement of the fact that there has been an enrollment of 654 students this year against 541 of last year. This of course has given rise to a congested condition that the Superintendent feels is to be solved only by the erection of a new high school.

Mr. Nelson expressed the desire to help in every way possible in any move for the betterment of the schools of Tahoka, but stated that it is entirely up to the citizens of Tahoka to give the order for the new building. Dr. Townes, a member of the board of trustees, endorsed all that had been said and stated that the community responsibility should take the matter up and see that we have a new high school.

We have a very interesting program for next meeting which appears below:

Stunt—Mrs. Doak and Mrs. Singleton Debate;—Resolve that the amendment to the U. S. constitution enabling congress to regulate child labor should be ratified by the several states. —Lois Goodrich, Affirmative;— Mrs. Slaton; Negative Piano solo Miss Pressley Our Educational Institutions in Texas — Mrs. Walker Reading — Homer Edwards

Remember this program is to be given January 26. Be there and help us help each other and each others children.

A. B. Sadors

ATTENTION!

I have for sale a few work horses and mules for small cash payment with good notes for balance. T. H. Henderson, at Security State Bank. 20-11c.

COLD WEATHER SHOWS THE NEED OF NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING
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circumstances. The reward of much effort are small under the conditions as they now exist. One grade is now being divided and another teacher being added but with this there are from thirty to fifty-five in the rooms in the grades. There is no more room and no more divisions of grades can be made. It is clear that with individual attention given. Little fifty-five pupils there can be little folks need this attention and are entitled to it, but unless we have more room it cannot be given.

From the above statements it is clear that the rights of the children of Tahoka are being disregarded in two ways. Their possibilities for mental attainment are not at the highest point of efficiency. This is no direct fault of the parents, but is a condition that has slowly but surely crept upon us in the last few years that needs the immediate attention of the thinking people of Tahoka. This phase of the case alone, if shown the people, we feel, will all the stimulus necessary for action in the matter. But, when we think of the health of the students of our community being endangered, we all are alarmed that we have permitted such a condition to slip upon us unaware. This is just the case, people. Your children come here and sit for hours with cold feet. This is likely to cause severe colds. So far as is possible, the children are given the privilege of sitting near the stoves, but this fails to be sufficient. The students have seemed to understand that things were being made as comfortable for them as possible, and have conducted themselves beautifully and adjusted themselves as well as could be expected under the conditions.

Other towns not as large as Tahoka are building these school buildings when needed. O'Donnell, Wilson, Slaton and Brownfield are among our neighbor towns that are meeting the situation and building schools when needed. We have as many scholastics as most of these and more than some; we have the property necessary for the valuation to be assessed to build the new school.

It has been figured out by Supt. G. H. Nelson that if the people of Tahoka are willing to pay 25 cent on every hundred dollars worth of property they own per year, we can have a hundred thousand dollar high school by next term and can have it paid out in twenty-five years.

Then since we have the need for the building, since we are able to erect it, since our town is incomplete without it and since it will increase the value of our property, does it not challenge the people of Tahoka to vote bonds for a new school building.

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Gibson Asks For Return To Office

A. W. Gibson of Lamesa, the present district attorney of this district, has this week thrown his hat in the ring for an additional two years in the office. Judge Gibson was appointed attorney for this district over several competitors when the new district was cut out in August of last year.

Mr. Gibson has proven himself an able lawyer and is asking for the office on his merits as a lawyer of twenty-seven years experience and as attorney for this district during the past few months.

He says: "I am consistent supporter of the Democratic ticket; voted for State wide prohibition and woman suffrage in every election when these questions were an issue; I am an active member of the church; propose to live within the law myself, and favor a prompt and vigorous enforcement of all criminal laws."

His announcement may be found in another column of this paper. Read it and give him your careful consideration.

POLITICAL Announcements

We are authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic primary election the fourth Saturday in July, 1926.

For District Attorney:
T. L. PRICE of Post
A. W. GIBSON of Lamesa

For Justice of the Peace, Prec. 1:
I. P. METCALF (re-election)

Dickson Attends New Orleans Convention

Declaring that he had attended one of the most inspiring meetings of his life, C. L. Dickson of Tahoka, returned from the company's agents round-up at New Orleans Sunday ready to start his year's work as representative of The Southland Life Insurance Co.

Agents of the Southland Life Insurance Co. this year voted to increase the quota necessary for qualifying for the round-up to \$100,000. production for the year. It was announced that next year's round-up will probably be held at Havana, Cuba, or Mexico City. Mr. Dickson sold the necessary amount of insurance to get his way to the convention paid this year and hopes to be able to make the trip again next year. The keynote of the convention was a new advertising program announced by the company.

Garza County Man Killed In Mexico

This week word was received at Post, stating that Bud Elkins, oldest son of Mrs. Tom (Granny) Elkins, of Post, had been murdered in Old Mexico, the telegram came to O. B. Kelly.

It seems according to the information that can be gathered, that Mr. Elkins, engaged in the livestock industry in central Old Mexico had been having some trouble with a tribe of Indian Mexicans who had been rustling cattle from his ranch and it is supposed that he was murdered by the rustlers.

Bud Elkins is a former Garza County man and will be remembered by many of the old settlers.—The Southland News.

Post Man Seeks Attorney's Office

In this issue of the News appears the announcement of T. L. Price of Post, Texas, as a candidate for district attorney of the 106th Judicial district.

Mr. Price has not been a resident of the district but a year or two but he has already made many friends throughout the district.

Mr. Price has had a dozen or more years experience as lawyer and has served as county attorney of San Saaba county and also has had some experience as district attorney. He bears the reputation of being a good lawyer, a vigorous prosecutor, an honest and upright man, and a splendid gettlemen in every particular. You are respectfully requested to give his candidacy your most earnest consideration, and if elected the district will no doubt be able and efficiently represented.

The day will soon be past when the campers can make no fires because of soaked matches. Waterproof matches are now on the market. The exterior of the match is vulcanized.

J. F. Carter and J. P. Middleton, Lubbock insurance men, were in town Monday on business. They were old time Bell county friends of the editor and his wife.

Let's clean Tahoka!

IT DRIVES OUT WORMS
The surest sign of worms in children is paleless, lack of interest in play, fretfulness, variable appetite, picking at the nose and sudden starting in sleep. When these symptoms appear it is time to give White's Cream Vermifuge. A few doses drives out the worms and puts the little one on the road to health again. White's Cream Vermifuge has a record of many years of successful use. Price 35c. Sold by

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For this store to obtain membership in the Texas Qualified Druggists' League, and have the privilege of using the League emblem, it was necessary that it be the sort of a drug store in which you can have full confidence and trust.

TAHOKA DRUG CO.
Member Texas Qualified Druggists' League

Read the League's messages in Farm and Ranch and Holland's Magazine.

THANKS

To the people of Tahoka trade territory for the liberal patronage on last Saturday, which was our opening day of our new Grocery Store.

We are indeed glad to say that our sales were far better than our expectation.

And, too we were glad to have so many customers back with us.

We hope to give you the best service, the best quality, the best price, and the and the most sanitary Grocery in town. Again, we thank you.

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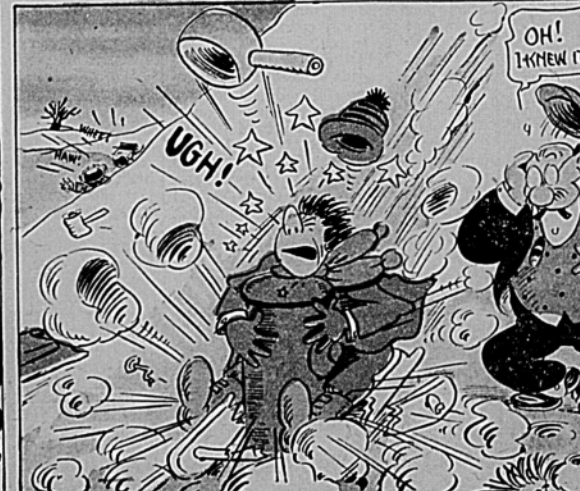
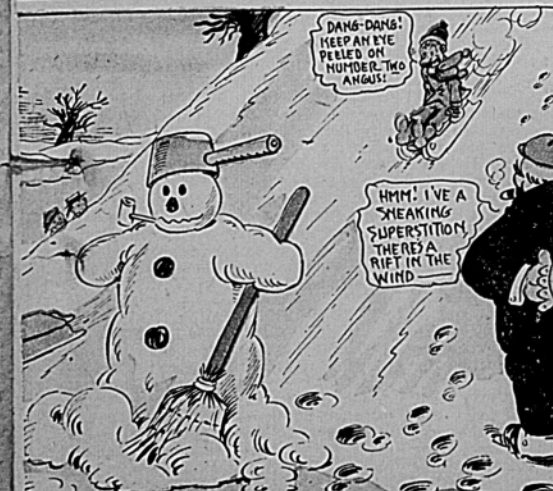
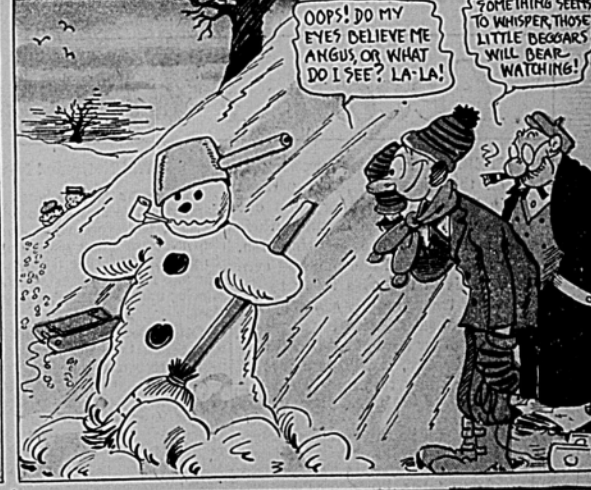
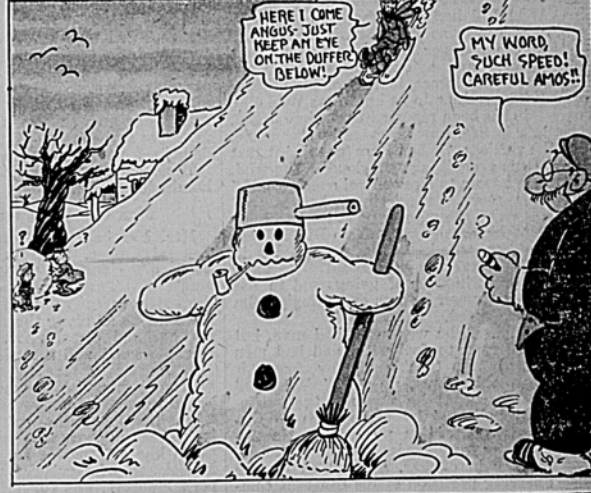
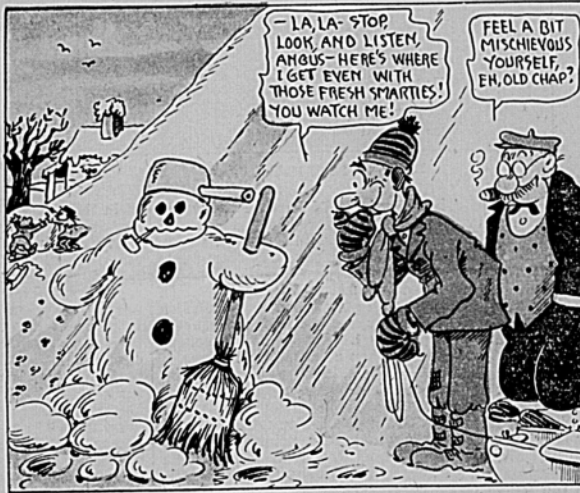
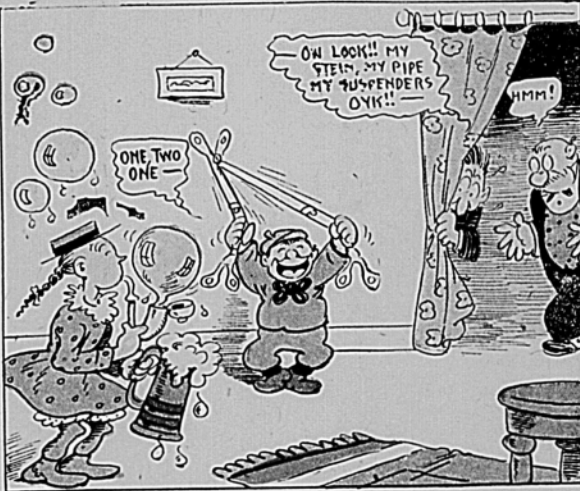
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By OSCAR HITT

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Wild Bill Hickok, Scout and Peace Officer

By FRANK J. WILSTACH,
Staff Writer
New York Times.

ALTHOUGH Wild Bill Hickok appeared on the stage in the '70s along with Buffalo Bill and Texas Jack Omohundro, and so is remembered by people still living, he has grown to be almost as fabulous a personality of the Western frontier as Paul Bunyan of the Far Northwest. Over and above his authenticated adventures, a great many incredible exaggerations, the outpourings of perfervid fictioneers, have incrustated his name. Some of these apocryphal tales were set going afresh by the Deadwood anniversary celebration this year; for it was at Deadwood that Hickok's career came to an end.

Wild Bill Hickok was not a killer in the same sense as the nefarious Willie Bonney, otherwise Billy the Kid, for he was neither a desperado nor a bad man. While Wild Bill had, as they say in border literature, forty notches on his gun—a dead man for every year of his life—he never shot to kill except in the exercise of duty or in self-defense. It could better be said of him than of any other gun-toter and tamer of bad men of that wild time on the frontier that, in the language of Mr. Beadle's Dime Library, he "bore a charmed life." He had amazing success in killing instead of getting killed. This luck has been attributed in great part to his well-nigh unbelievable speed in drawing and to his accuracy in firing his pistols.

Not Bill, But James.

How he acquired his sobriquet of Wild Bill has been variously reported. There is some mystery in the matter. In the first place, his Christian name was not Bill, but James. Many years ago Buffalo Bill said that Wild Bill, whom he first met in the course of the Mormon war, in 1868, was then known among his friends as Jim Hickok. It appears, according to Buffalo Bill, that Wild Bill had a brother William, who was known as Wild Bill. The exploits of the younger Hickok came into such general and astonishing report, however, that James, instead of his brother William, came to be known as Wild Bill.

It has been reported that when asked, late in life, how he came by the name, he replied: "When I am 'put on,' it just seems everything gets cloudy, I'm wild. I just seem to lose control over myself." This story, considering what is well known of the man, is most likely. Both Bat Masterson and Buffalo Bill, as well as others who knew him well, have said that he was the least boastful of men, and that instead of going wild in the face of danger he was exceedingly calm and collected.

In short, he was not a bad man, but a bad man to fool with, and bad men hunting for trouble usually found it when they "met up with" Wild Bill Hickok. That he was not the rattle-head indicated by the speech so frequently quoted is proved by his unflinching fearlessness and his frigid demeanor in danger, as well as by the unerring precision of his constant companions, a brace of Mr. Colt's best 45s.

In the Wild Bill saga are at least two points on which there is general agreement to wit: That he was a very handsome man and that his pistol practice was beyond anything else known on the frontier. The most concise and picturesque description of him that the writer knows is from the pen of General George A. Custer, the famous Indian fighter, under whose command Wild Bill served as a scout.

"He was," wrote General Custer, "about six feet and one inch in height, straight as an Indian warrior, whose implacable foe he was. He had broad shoulders, well formed chest and limbs and a face strikingly handsome; a sharp clear blue eye which stared you straight in the face when in conversation; a finely shaped nose inclined to be aquiline; a well-turned mouth and lips only partially concealed by a handsome mustache. His hair and complexion were those of a perfect blond. The former was worn in uncouth ringlets, falling carelessly over his powerfully formed shoulders. Whether afoot or on horseback, he was one of the most perfect types of manhood I ever saw."

George Ward Nichols of Boston, Mass., met Wild Bill in Springfield, Mo., after the Civil War. His extensive description of him, published in Harper's Monthly Magazine in February, 1867, tallies with that of General Custer, except that while Custer said he had clear blue eyes Nichols wrote that the eyes were "clear gray." Of his general appearance Mr. Nichols said: "His was the handsomest physique I had ever seen. It was a figure Ward would delight to model as a companion to his Indian. There was a singular grace and dignity of carriage. He had fine dark hair and an eye as gentle as a woman's"—this dauntless person who, as Nichols added, "had killed hundreds of men."

Mrs. Custer's Appraisal.

Mrs. Elizabeth B. Custer, widow of General Custer, who resides in New York, gives further testimony to the man's unobtrusiveness, having said to the writer recently: "Wild Bill Hickok was famous all along the frontier when my husband campaigned. He was a valuable scout and a modest man."

The amazing marksmanship of the man with his pistols, which he never aimed by sight, but fired from the hip, might well be set down as fiction were it not that all those who knew him have given like evidence of his ability. Mr. Nichols, who interviewed him for Harper's Monthly, was curious in the matter and asked for an explanation. Wild

Bill replied: "I always shot well, but I came to be perfect in the mountains by shooting at a dime for a mark at bets at half a dollar a shot." Mr. Nichols requesting him to give an exhibition with his pistols he pointed to a letter on a signboard fifty yards away. Without sighting with his eye he discharged six rapid shots and every one of the bullets hit the white of the letter. The late Joseph Wheelock used to say that he had repeatedly when a young man seen Wild Bill stand between two telegraph poles, fire with a revolver in each hand and never miss either pole. To put it in the language of the vernacular, the gentleman, as a pistoleer, had class.



Wild Bill Hickok.

The adventures of Sindbad the Sailor were juvenile compared to some of Wild Bill Hickok's. Born in La Salle County, Ill., in 1837, Hickok ran away from home and lived for many years among the Indians and trappers of the Far West. In 1858 he was in the Mormon War, after which he was a stage driver, frequently displaying a courage and excellent rifle work when attacked by Indians.

Buffalo Bill said he was one of the riders of the famous pony express of 1860, but there is some doubt as to this point. He was all through the Civil War as spy and scout, principally under General Samuel R. Curtis. Some of his adventures were widely heralded at the time; but the one great exploit of his career that blazoned his name over the

country was his famous encounter with the McCandles gang. The name McCandles, by the way, is also spelled McCandless and McKandias in frontier literature. This happened in the Summer of 1861, in Southern Nebraska, just over the Kansas line.

The McCandles were an outfit of horse thieves and desperadoes. There are conflicting stories as to how Wild Bill happened on the gang; some say it was by accident, when calling on a woman friend, others say he was sent to the scene by the Government, at which time he was guiding a detachment of Union cavalry. Anyway, with hardware consisting of but one pistol, instead of two, as was his habit, he arrived at Mrs. Waltham's cabin. He was no sooner there than he had been followed and the cabin surrounded. McCandles, the leader of the gang, knew Wild Bill, bore him a grudge, and had promised to wipe him out.

Killed the Whole Lot.

When the fight started there were ten of the McCandles, all heavily armed, while Wild Bill had but one pistol, a rifle found in the cabin and a hunter's knife. When the affair was over, a mere matter of a few minutes, all were dead but one, and that one was Wild Bill. The incomparable pistoleer had acquired a full dozen sizable knife wounds in his body and lost considerable blood, and his fame, from the acquisition of buckshot, resembled a sieve. Otherwise he was all right. He was built for the business.

The war over, he settled down at Springfield, Mo. There he fought a duel with David Tutt, a gambler and former Confederate scout. Tutt tried to pick a fight with Wild Bill in a gambling house, but Bill swallowed his insults. Fearing trouble, he had left his guns at his hotel. Unarmed men were not shot at in those gallant times. But the next day friends of Tutt informed Wild Bill that Tutt would be in the square at a certain hour in the afternoon and expected to meet him there. Wild Bill told them he was "through with being put on." When the two were within fifty paces of each other Tutt drew; two shots followed and Tutt was a dead man.

Hickok wandered over the West for some years and finally became the Marshal of Abilene, Kan., a town then overrun with a lawless element and known as "the toughest place in the world." Marshal Hickok shot his way into popular confidence, and in doing so found it necessary to plant about a dozen men in the renowned Boot-Hill

Cemetery, including the fastest and most dangerous gunman of the Texas Trail, Phil Coe. Having pacified Abilene, which, it was said, "he kept like a church," he joined General George A. Custer as a scout. Outside of the men killed in the war, and Indians in various encounters, Wild Bill is said to have snuffed out the lives of at least forty men; yet General Custer was of the opinion that "there is not a single instance in which a verdict of twelve fair-minded men would not have pronounced in his favor."

Bat Masterson, who had a penchant for romance, used to say that this frontier lost its one big chance for the one big kick through the failure of that streak of frontier lightning, otherwise Billy the Kid, to cross the path of Wild Bill Hickok. That would have been an encounter well worth crossing the continent to witness—just to be able to say you were there when it happened. The insufferable Billy was, of course, well enough acquainted with firearms.

Happily Married.

At Cheyenne Wild Bill met Mrs. Emma Lake, proprietor of the highly successful Lake Circus, and a performer of note in her day, and after a short courtship he married her in February, 1876. That it was a happy marriage is indicated by the letters to his wife, written by him when in the West. These are now in possession of Gil Robinson, whose wife was Wild Bill's stepdaughter, the daughter of Mrs. Hickok by her first husband, the famous war-time circus proprietor, William Lake.

Wild Bill's tragic death occurred at Deadwood, S. D., Aug. 2, 1876. On that afternoon he was playing cards with some friends at the Bell Union saloon, but, contrary to his custom, he sat with his back to the door. That indiscretion cost him his life. Jack McCall, a desperado, entered and shot Wild Bill in the back of the head. The murderer was hanged. A monument was placed over Wild Bill's grave at Mount Moriah Cemetery by his life-long friend, Colorado Charlie Ulter, and it is said was inscribed: "Custer Will Be Lonely Without Him." This legend is somewhat difficult to understand, for General George A. Custer had himself been killed in a battle with the Indians on the Little Big Horn River, Montana, in June of the same year, or two months before the Great Spirit called Wild Bill. Relic hunters hewed the gravestone to the ground. When a new one was erected some years later a steel wire mausoleum was placed around it. Mrs. Lake, otherwise Mrs. James Butley Hickok, died Aug. 20, 1917, at Jersey City, N. J., at an advanced age.

Near Wild Bill's grave is another, the resting place of the one-time "Queen of the Plains," the famous "Calamity Jane," otherwise Mrs. Mary E. Burke. Her last request was that she might be buried alongside the noted scout and bad-man tamer, for whom, it appears, she treasured the deepest admiration.

Pecan Planting and Cultivating

By E. C. BUTTERFIELD, Winona, Texas.
President National Pecan Growers' Association.

INTEREST in pecan growing is on the increase. Many persons in Texas are planting from one tree to a dozen around their homes and others are planting ten, twenty and fifty and one hundred acre groves. This is the wise thing to do, for a pecan tree, properly planted, will give more real satisfaction to the planter than any other kind of tree. Besides its lines of beauty, it will give just as good shade as any tree and produce a valuable crop of the finest nuts in the world.

The pecan can be grown almost anywhere that cotton will grow, but soil fertility plays a great part in the final results. Around the home one can enrich the soil for a few trees and get wonderfully quick results. If you have a tight subsoil, mark the place where you want to plant a tree and when the ground is very dry put a half stick of dynamite down in a small hole with a long fuse and touch it off, preferably in the summer, pile some good rich manure in and around the hole, let it remain there until the first of December, and then dig out the hole about three feet wide and two and one-half feet deep and plant the tree same depth as it came from the nursery. Make a box, or square, 4x4 out of 2x8 and set on top of the ground around the tree and fill with leaves or other litter. This will reduce the extremes. During a dry spell, water freely and your chances are increased for a young pecan tree to get by the hardest test—the first year. Remove the litter and work the ground well in winter and replace the litter and water if the second season is dry. This is certainly not too much trouble to give a pecan tree, when we consider the value of the growth, when once established.

Will Not Stand Neglect.

The pecan tree belongs to the same family as the hickory and has a tap root nature, therefore when we disturb the tap root we must use every precaution to prevent the tree from suffering until the tap root becomes firmly established again; once started it will grow off very fast.

Often we have been told that it takes the pecan tree too long to bear. This is not necessarily true with the budded and grafted trees. It is not unusual for a budded pecan tree to start producing at six to eight years and they will increase in production very rapidly, that is, if given proper cultivation and fertilization. It might be well to sound a note of warning here. Pecan trees will not stand neglect and unless one is in a position to give the tree every attention the first four or five years, it is better not to make a start. With a few trees around the home, one can use the above described mulch system, together with watering, but for trees planted in the fields this method may not appeal to all persons.

In grove-planting the distance has been argued pro and con during past years, but today it seems evident that it is not at all wise to plant closer than 60x60 with many, advocating from 80 to 100 feet each way, especially on strong land. Sixty by sixty feet will figure 12 trees to the acre and will leave ample space for cultivating such crops as cotton, peas, corn or beans in the middle. Leave fully seven feet for the tree row and cultivate thoroughly throughout the season until trees are five or six years old, then widen the space and continue the cultivation, but remember to keep the entire grove soil constantly on the upbuild. Keep all stock out and turn under all vegetation. It is well to apply some good balanced fertilizer

at the rate of eight to ten pounds every year, well scattered around the tree, before the buds start in the spring. Fertilizer can be increased up to as much as forty pounds on a fifteen-year-old tree.

Is the Pecan Grove Profitable?

Whether or not a pecan grove is profitable, we will say, "yes," if properly cared for, otherwise it is not. We often see pictures of individual trees with wonderful records. I visited a record tree on Mr. J. W. Wight's home lot in Caro, Georgia. This Frotcher tree has actually produced in 34 years 6,249 pounds of pecans. Beginning at 6 years old, it produced seven pounds and at 34 produced 425 pounds. This, no doubt, is a wonderful record. There are many other good records, but none where a grove tree did so well or came anywhere near this production.

In grove planting, one may as well forget the records of these specimen trees, for it is impossible under ordinary conditions to produce the same wonderful yields which are indicated by the Frotcher and similar trees. Pecans, under the most favorable conditions, do not produce bumper crops every year. We often see a man going around with pencil and paper figuring that with 12 specimens, or individual trees, like the Frotcher, he could plant 100 acres and get rich. The sooner this kind of man gets into the pecan orchard planting business and production the sooner he will stop this kind of figuring.

Pecan production varies, and a man with a reasonable amount of horse sense will not expect a pecan tree to produce a bumper crop every year; such a tree is not on record, but the average over a period of five years will make a good basis for figuring. Stuart, Schley, Western Schley, Suc-

cess, Pabst, Burkett, Holburt, Delmas, Money Maker, Texas Prolific, Moore and many others are planted over Texas, but one should make careful inquiries as to which are succeeding in his particular locality before making selection. The Delmas will scab in the lower section of Texas and the Stuart seems to Rosette in certain sections, while all varieties seem to have their likes and dislikes for certain localities; however, it is well to rely on three or four varieties, at least, in any planting. In some instances, one variety might yield a heavy crop one year and the next season yield little or nothing.

First-class nursery grown budded or grafted pecan trees can be gotten now from reliable nurseries at reasonable prices and every farm and home in the cotton growing section should have from half dozen to one hundred pecan trees growing around. They will prove a source of pleasure as well as profit.

Pecans as a Food.

One pound of pecans contains 3,633 calories, one pound of porterhouse steak contains 975 calories, one pound of chicken 765 calories. Pecans are more healthful, therefore, than meats and you can raise ten times more calories on an acre of pecans than you can by grazing cattle on the same acreage. The pecan is fast becoming popular as a food for man. True, the planting of pecans has increased very rapidly in the past ten years but the consumption of pecans has increased very rapidly also, and, no doubt, the country-wide publicity the pecan is getting today will increase the demand in excess of production for many years to come. Strange as this statement may seem, it is not the young men of today who are planting pecan trees, but the older men, who are conservative and willing to wait for something permanent; these

men are planting and planning for future generations.

No better monument of George Washington stands today than the pecan trees he planted on the Potomac River. The pecan trees planted near Governor Hogg's grave, at Austin, upon his dying request, will do more to perpetuate his memory than any marble shaft of ornate tomb.

It is always interesting to pause a moment and review the history of the many grand pecan trees planted years ago all over Texas. A pecan tree of grove will stand as a monument to you long after you are dead and forgotten. So, I say, plant more pecan trees and make your country a better place in which to live.

TEXAS HAS ONLY RUBBER PLANT IN U. S.

At Marathon, in Brewster county, Texas, is the only rubber plant in the United States which manufactures rubber from a raw material on a commercial basis. The plant is owned by the Border Rubber Company, a subsidiary of the Thos. T. Wilson Company, Inc. of New York City. The rubber is manufactured from the guayule plant, which grows wild in the Big Bend section. One ton of rubber a day is now being turned out by the plant. The guayule is gathered, root and all, baled like hay and delivered to the plant for about \$40 per ton.

STATE PRISON FARM COTTON CROP OVER 10,000 BALES.

The State Prison Commission has reported to Governor Ferguson that 9,655 bales of cotton had been gathered on prison farms and that another 1,000 bales will be harvested, the latter to be of low grade. The cotton and seed already saved represents approximately \$1,000,000 to the State prison system.

CURRENT COMMENT

By J. H. LOWRY

POLITICS ONCE MORE.



With New Year the political campaign in Texas began. I read many newspapers, most of them printed in the smaller towns, and in all of them I find the announcements of men and women who aspire to positions in districts, counties and municipalities, together with notices of their candidacy by the editors of the papers. The newspapers always speak in terms of praise of the candidates, telling of their many noble qualities of heart and mind, their gentility, affability, their anxiety to extend favors, their capability, worthiness, correct habits and unbending integrity, and quite frequently editors are accused of saying, for a small announcement fee, something they would not say if the fee were not forthcoming, and something they do not believe. I am persuaded this is not true, in many instances, if true at all. It is true that editors, in speaking of candidates, the dead, brides and bridegrooms, pursue the course of preachers in conducting funerals. They do not tell all they know or believe, and it is not necessary, neither would it be discreet or kind to do so. In our social and business affairs we do not tell all we know or believe, nor should we. If we should do so, the communities would be in a constant uproar, peace and order would be unknown conditions, and friendships would be few and far between. In their notices calling attention to candidacies the editors tell the good they know of the candidates and are silent regarding their frailties and their faults, just as the preachers do of the departed when they conduct funerals, and as editors do when they write of the dead or the newly-married, and perhaps as we all should do in all of life's affairs. In most people there is much good, but I regret to say the good is seldom seen or mentioned except in notices of their death or marriage. When such dire calamities overtake men and women most of us become charitable toward them and speak in glowing terms of their better attributes. We should be equally charitable toward those who announce for official positions, since running for office is a hazardous undertaking as well as a very unpleasant experience. The man who announces for office makes of himself a target for all the muckrakers, and all solicitors for churches, cemeteries and charity funds, besides

giving his time and spending his money to obtain work that the people may eventually deny him. As a rule, however, only good men and women become candidates for office, and all the good said of them is deserved.

But if "the blanket is stretched" slightly when we speak of the dead, the marrying or the candidate, is any harm done the world or society? Possibly sympathy for the unfortunate leads us to extol virtues a little more than the full truth might show if the yard-stick of truth were laid on the virtues, but it is far better and nobler to give over-measure when making an estimate of the good in our fellows than to scant the measure and rob mortals of the estimate to which they are justly entitled. If we raise our sights and shoot a little too high when we undertake to invoice the better parts and nobler attributes of men and women, we may be comforted by the assurance that if we err, we err in humanity's behalf and on virtue's side, and I am persuaded that no such error will be counted against us on the great day when the book of human deeds is balanced and closed and men are given rewards or punished according to their work on earth.

And this leads me to consider briefly a little row I raised with some of the preachers a few years ago when I made the assertion that lying is sometimes justifiable. Several good ministers, who believe in always heaving to the line, regardless of the falling of the chips, took me severely to task for the statement, declaring that the truth should always be told, even though the affairs of the community may be upset and the heavens occasionally take a tumble. The preachers thundered the principle of accuracy of statement in all instances from the pulpit and also wrote many splendid articles for the papers, placing much stress on the fact that one of the great commandments that came to the world from Sinai makes lying one of the cardinal evils and lays an eternal prohibition against varying a hair's breadth from the truth. If the preachers convinced me that I was wrong they convinced me against my will and my interpretation of the statements of Holy Writ, for I am of the same opinion still. I have read many times the commandment which came from Sinai, and that commandment says, "thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor." To me this leaves it open for one to be slightly inaccurate and stretch the blanket a little when the statement is in a neigh-

bor's favor. I believe it would be downright lying to tell a pretty girl she is ugly, but no crime in the sight of God or man to tell a homely girl she is pretty. And I find in the great Book no denunciation by the Creator of Abraham or Samuel when they failed to tell all of the truth, and made statements calculated to deceive the wicked in the interest of a good cause. Is he or she who tries to cheer the sick person, and thus aid him by encouragement in the battle for life, by telling the sick one he looks a great deal better, even though there are no visible signs of improvement in his condition, justified in varying a little from accuracy of statement? I contend that he is, and I know doctors will not permit those who are so foolish as to tell all the truth around the sick bed to visit their patients. Once upon a time I knew two men, both high strung and talkative, who were at outs over a trivial matter. One day one of the men stopped me and spoke very disparagingly of the other, saying things the repetition of which would have stirred the blood of the other to fever heat. The other man saw us in conversation, and suspecting that he was the subject of the conversation, a few moments later stopped me and asked if the other was talking about him. I told him that his name had not been mentioned, and that we were discussing some business matters—and I lied. Had I proved a stickler for the truth there would doubtless have been a killing, but I varied a little from the truth and today the men are good friends.

Pardon the digression. I started out to say a few words regarding politics, political campaigns and candidates. This is political year, and the people will give much of their time and thought to politics and candidates. They will not give much attention to issues; unfortunately they never do. In the selection of State officers most of us will vote for or against candidates because of their present views on the Ku Klux Klan and their views on prohibition in years gone by. Real issues will have little weight, in spite of the fact that the candidates will present their views on many questions of importance that should be seriously considered during the campaign and submit to the people lengthy platforms of principles. A majority of the voters will pay no attention to the views of candidates for Governor on taxation, road construction and maintenance, education, penitentiary reform and other issues of vital importance when they make out their tickets. They will have learned the candidates'

views on Ku Kluxism, and how they used to stand on prohibition before that disturbing question ceased to be an issue, and this knowledge will guide them in marking their ballots.

But while political campaigns are expensive and work injury to legitimate business, while they stir up much strife and cause people to do and say many foolish things, they are not without value. They are educational, and without them people would know very little of the State's resources and the working of the State's machinery. Furthermore, the political speakers tell us much of history that we never knew or have forgotten, and from the rise and fall of nations and men point many morals that are helpful.

No system of choosing candidates is perfect, and there is always much railing against the system in use. In Texas for many years we used the convention system for nominating candidates, a two-thirds majority being required for nomination. The system was very imperfect and unfair. So far as obtaining a full and free expression of the voice of the people was concerned the convention system was a miserable failure. In a precinct with a voting population of 1,200 not more than 300 ever attended a nominating convention, and the conventions were always dominated by a very few men who were good speakers and skilled wire-workers. With their ability to orate, and their parliamentary manipulations, they confused the masses and defeated the will of the majority, frequently. This very unfair system was discarded several years ago, and under our present system every person who is qualified by age, length of residence, and is in possession of a poll tax receipt issued before the first of February may go to the polls and in secret register his choice. It seems to me that our voting system is as nearly perfect as human wisdom can devise, since under it we may have a full and free expression of the people's views. Four times as many people take part in the selection of candidates under this system as participated in nominations under the convention plan, and the choice of the voters is registered without interference and without others knowing how a ballot was marked. This virtually makes corruption of the ballot impossible, since no man would care to purchase something the delivery of which he can not witness. And yet some have started an agitation in favor of a return to the old convention sys-

tem of making nominations. It will be a step backward, and a sad day for the people of Texas if this is ever done, but I am optimistic enough to believe the people will never submit to such a change. I would be glad, indeed, to see the State quit the practice of selling voting privileges by wiping out the section of the election law which requires that all who vote be in possession of a poll tax receipt, and I am inclined to believe that a preferential primary, under which a voter would register a first and second choice, would be better than a double primary plan, but I sincerely hope Texas will never abandon the direct primary and return to the unfair and vicious primary system.

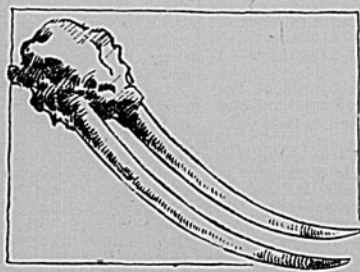
I would like to make here a plea for the candidate. To aspire to public position is a laudable ambition, and those who tender their services to the people are entitled to respectful treatment and kindly consideration. It is the spirit of the cave man remaining with us that prompts us to treat with contempt those whose cause we do not espouse, and one of the marks of a gentleman is tolerance and respect toward those who may oppose his views. I seldom endorse physical violence toward any one, and yet I was made to rejoice many years ago when a boor was so dealt with. A candidate, who was a stranger in the community, was passing among the people, seeking their acquaintance, distributing his cards and soliciting votes. A card was handed one fellow, who instead of reading it spat upon it and threw it down. A man who was standing near, a stranger to the candidate, took note of the insult and promptly knocked the ruffian down, then forced him to pick up the card and read it. All should keep in mind the fact that the candidate is at a disadvantage in argument and repartee. He is staking his money and his time with the hope of bettering his condition and must submit to many things that are unpleasant rather than incur the ill will of those he meets and thus lose hope of their support at the polls. And most of those who seek positions in county or precinct are poor in this world's goods and can not afford the expenditure of much money. Don't prey upon them with subscription lists to build churches, work cemeteries and care for the unfortunate. To thus force contributions is barbarous. I was a candidate many years ago, know something of the woes of candidates, and the fellow-feeling has made me wondrous kind. Any candidate can get a cordial greeting and a respectful hearing by calling on me.

Texas Sand and Gravel Deposits

Are of Great Economic and Scientific Value.

By KATHERINE L. BAKER

THE sand and gravel deposits along the Trinity river and its tributaries are playing no small part in the road and structural development of not only Texas cities, towns and communities, but other sections of the country as well. The fact is now patent that the greater portion of Dallas county, part of Tarrant and many other Texas counties are underlaid with these gravel beds. Some geologists are inclined to the theory that these deposits were formed from the disintegrated and broken fragments of hard lime and sandy formations of the Comanche and Carboniferous rock to the west. In order that their theories may be more tenable, such geologists point out to us the character of the materials and fossils under the ground.



Head and tusks of mammoth elephant, found in gravel pit near Fort Worth, Texas. (The tusks are 12 feet and 10 feet and 8 inches in length, respectively.)

inundated forests became marshy places which gradually merged into peat bogs, these bogs afterwards being turned into coal, by great heat and pressure, as even the school children who have studied Physical Geography have been taught from time immemorial. It is admitted by these same authors that Nature's work in providing coal for man's present use, and the formation of present-day sand and gravel pits very likely began in Europe and the Northern portions of North America at a somewhat earlier period than at other places, but their geological findings, after years of study and research, are practically the same, while the best informed scientists of the day—or the majority of them—concur in these statements.

The chief geologist and other scientists at Texas Christian University of Fort Worth heartily agree with Dr. Grabau and Drs. Chamberlain and Salsbury in what these learned men have written concerning the time of formation of both coal, sand and gravel deposits.

It is believed by persons in the best position to know that the sand and gravel deposits or beds near Irving are among the best and most accessible in Texas, although there are good sand and gravel beds scattered over all of East Texas, Central Texas, South Texas and part of West Texas.

Steam Shovels Expedite Work.

Irving, he it remembered, is a small village, located nine miles west of the city of Dallas, and has near it several pits, some of which have supplied the public with gravel for at least fifteen years. The supply seems practically unlimited. Several pits, however, have become exhausted, have filled with water and serve now only as fishing and swimming pools. Excavations for such

deposits are carried on either by hand-pick or shovel, or by use of the steam shovel or dragline. The former method is found to be more successful where sand and gravel vary, as the materials must be carefully selected, but the latter has proven more efficient in the more uniform beds. The average loading capacity of the steam shovel is one yard per minute.

The deposits in these beds range from two to ten feet under the surface, the sand and gravel proper averaging from two to ten feet in depth. Practically the entire bulk of these materials is available for road construction and maintenance.

Notwithstanding the fact that modern equipment and methods were unknown during the early history of our State, yet we are reliably informed that just before the year 1854 a French settlement was founded west of Dallas;

that these early settlers learned to seek the clay deposits for the purpose of making bricks, sewer pipes and various other useful commodities. Thus, perhaps to these settlers we owe a great deal of our initiative and progressive spirit along the excavation and present-day uses of these materials.

Many Uses of the Deposits.

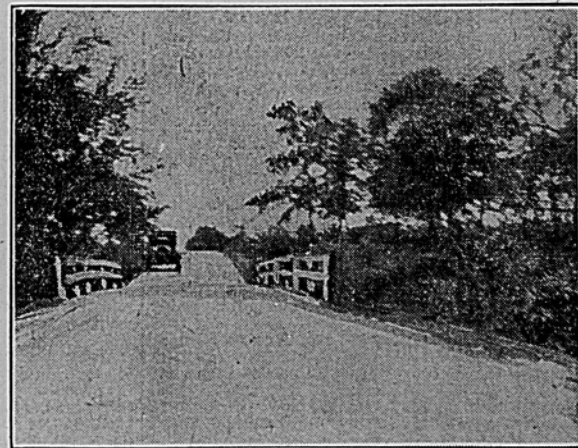
Among the most important pits in the Irving vicinity are the Rucker and Trinity on the east, Smith on the north, and Ferrell and Fares on the south. From these we learn that the un-screened sand or "pit-run" is used for making concrete, the screened for finishing concrete work, and the gravel for rough concrete work, such as road building, and railroad ballasting. Some of the pits east of Irving contain sand and gravel already mixed to the proper proportion for cement work, the proportion being 40% sand to 60% gravel.

A large amount of these materials are used locally. As sand can be bought at the pit for from 20 to 50 cents per cubic yard, and gravel from 50 to 75 cents, local building and road work are carried on at a minimum cost. Within a three-mile radius of Irving are twenty miles of graveled roadways, while within a five-mile radius it is estimated that there are hardly five miles of ungraveled roads, these being made up of gaps left during improvement as needing the least repair. These gaps, however, are now being filled in as quickly as possible. All of these local roads have been constructed at an average cost of \$1,200 per mile, their width being from twenty to sixty feet, including right-of-ways.

Gravel Proves Its Worth.

The new Dallas to Fort Worth pike by the way of Irving is rapidly changing from a dream to a reality. Sev-

eral years ago this road was finished for three miles this side of Dallas, having a concrete finish. Of late this work has been extended to Britain Hill, about five miles farther with a rock foundation, and from this point to the city limits of Irving with a gravel foundation



One of the many graveled highways near Irving, Texas.

When we consider the fact that every pound of freight shipped by rail must first pass over country roads, we are bound to realize the necessity of improved roadways. A recent government statistical statement for the year 1925 designated the number of registered motor vehicles within the United States as over 20,000,000, more than half of these being owned and operated by farmers. From this statement we are again reminded of the dire need of good highways, and we realize further that every foot of road-work calls for sand and gravel materials.

Prehistoric Remains.

But, aside from the real economic value of gravel pits, there is another very interesting phase which deserves consideration. This phase deals with the scientific discoveries that are almost daily being made. Very many things

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CIVIL WAR VETERAN DEAD.

F. W. Youree, 87, Civil War veteran and member of Forrest's Cavalry, died at San Antonio, Dec. 30. He was a native of Gallatin, Tenn.

\$1.13 PER CAPITA COST OF OPERATING THIS CITY.

Cost of operating the city government of Fort Worth per capita is about \$1.13, according to H. C. Michael, city auditor.

WEDDED 9,000 COUPLES.

Justice of the Peace Ben S. Fisk, age 63, of San Antonio, died Dec. 13 of heart disease. He had been a Justice nineteen years, and, according to records, had married 9,000 couples.

WOMAN SUCCEEDS SLAIN HUSBAND AS CONSTABLE.

Mrs. Lelie N. Poe, widow of the slain constable, Bob Poe, of Fort Worth, was chosen to the office of Constable of Tarrant county to finish out the term of her husband.

PROTEST FILED.

Citizens of West Texas have filed a protest through Senator Sheppard, Congressman Hudspeth and Marvin Jones at Washington against the cutting down of appropriations for the United States experiment farms at Big Springs and Dalhart.

BIOGRAPHY OF STEPHEN F. AUSTIN.

Prof. E. C. Barker, historian of Austin College, Sherman, has announced that he will soon publish a biography of Stephen F. Austin, who founded the first colony in Texas in 1821.

U. OF T. ROYALTIES TOTAL \$1,800,000.

Payments of royalty production to the University of Texas by the Big Lake Company and the Texon Oil Company for November brought the University's total royalty payments to more than \$1,800,000.

SLAYS MOUNTAIN LION.

Postmaster B. J. McDowell of Del Rio, during a hunting trip in Mexico, killed a large mountain lion that attacked and wounded him before it was killed. He brought home the body of the lion.

MEDINA LAKE GETS 15,000 RAINBOW TROUT.

A shipment of 15,000 small rainbow trout, destined for stocking Medina Lake was received at San Antonio from Neosho, Mo.

Rainbow trout was first introduced in Medina Lake last year.

SAN ANTONIO VOTES PAY ROLL INCREASE.

As a result of a recent election, the Mayor of San Antonio will draw a salary of \$8,000 a year instead of \$5,000. And each of the Commissioners will receive \$6,000 instead of \$4,000. The City Commission will fix the salaries of all other officers and employes.

HISTORICAL PIECE OF WOOD.

Members of Joseph E. Johnston Camp, United Confederate Veterans of Greenville, have been presented with a piece of wood taken from the tree under which General Albert Sidney Johnston is said to have died, by one of their members, George W. Maddox, who suggests that a gavel be made therefrom.

OLD TRAIL DRIVER DIES FROM EXPOSURE.

Jack P. Jourdan, of Austin, 72 years old, and Texas trail driver, died from exposure and the infirmities of age near Encinal, La Salle county. He was with a party of Austin hunters and had left the camp for a walk, but evidently became lost in the chapparal and died from exhaustion and exposure to cold, rainy weather.

SOUSA WILL DEDICATE MARCH TO SOLDIERS.

A march composition dedicated to the Second Division at Fort Sam Houston will be composed in the near future by John Philip Sousa, the famous band master.

While addressing the Lions Club at San Antonio, Mr. Sousa said: "The record of the Fighting Second would inspire anyone."

PLAN PHONE SERVICE FOR TOURISTS.

The surfside drive which is to run 135 miles along Padre Island connecting Brownsville and Corpus Christi, is to have a telephone station every five miles for convenience of tourists who might have automobile trouble. Poles for the line have arrived at Brownsville and at Corpus Christi, and are being distributed along the route the drive will follow.

The drive will be the longest island drive in the world, it is said, and will shorten distance between Brownsville and Corpus Christi and other points more than 50 miles.

QUICK SILVER MINE IN BREWSTER COUNTY.

The Waldron quick silver mine, near Alpine, Brewster County, in the Terlingua district, will be in full operation about Jan. 1. This is another valuable industry which will help to develop the many mineral deposits of Texas.

300 CHEROKEE INDIANS WANT TO SUE TEXAS.

Three hundred heirs of the Texas Cherokee Indians and associated bands met in the district courtroom at Miami, Okla., Dec. 30, to discuss plans for a suit against the Government of Texas to recover approximately 1,500,000 acres of land in Eastern Texas. The meeting was attended by family heirs from all over Oklahoma.

CAMPAIGN FOR BETTER COTTON.

Contracts have been made by farmers in the Groesbeck section for staple cotton seed sufficient to plant 5,000 acres to a better variety of cotton and an intensive campaign is being planned by the agricultural committee of the Groesbeck Chamber of Commerce and County Agent P. G. Haines to increase the total to 10,000 acres within the next few weeks.

CONFISCATED LIQUOR POURED INTO SEWERS.

Confiscated whisky, gin and alcohol, taken in raids by officers ten days before Christmas, was poured into the sewer in front of the Criminal Court Building, at Dallas.

Twenty-six gallons of synthetic gin and whisky, thirty-five gallons of alcohol and thirty-seven gallons of corn whisky were destroyed.

TEXAS FEDERAL AID \$4,426,917.

Texas will receive an apportionment of \$4,426,917 of the Federal road aid fund for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 1926, it was announced by Secretary of Agriculture Jardine.

The total fund for the next fiscal year is \$73,125,000.

The Texas apportionment is the largest given any State.

PORT HOUSTON COTTON EXPORTS SHOW GAIN.

Port Houston cotton exports for the first half of December showed an increase of approximately 22,000 bales over the figures for the same period last year.

The end of December finds Houston's export total for the season beginning August 1, 1925, at 1,149,722 bales. In addition to this, there were coastwise shipments of 19,723 bales.

OLD GRAY MARE BURIED WITH MILITARY HONORS.

The old gray mare, mascot of the famous Old Gray Mare Band, of Brownwood, died Dec. 15, and was buried with military honors in the Fabis pasture where she died, by detachments of the two military companies at Brownwood. The funeral dirge was played by the Old Gray Mare Band, to the tune of the famous song by that name. The band will erect a suitable tombstone at the grave of the mascot.

ONLY WOMAN TRAIL DRIVER DEAD.

Mrs. J. W. (Amanda) Burke of Austin, "only woman trail driver in Texas" and honorary member of the Old Trail Drivers' Association, died at Austin Dec. 15.

Mrs. Burke had gone over the old Chisholm trail frequently with her husband, Maj. J. W. Burke. She was an honorary member of several Texas pioneer societies, and is believed to be the only Texas woman who ever went over the trail in the perilous 80's.

TICKY CATTLE BARRED BY OKLAHOMA.

Ruling of the Oklahoma State Board of Agriculture prohibiting the movement into or through that State of any except tick-free cattle, even for immediate slaughter, held in abeyance since its passage several weeks ago, went into effect Tuesday, Dec. 29. Dr. H. L. Darby, chief inspector for Texas of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, was so notified in a letter signed by J. A. Whitehurst, president of the Oklahoma board.

Railroads and all Federal live stock sanitary inspectors are to be notified of the ruling by Dr. Darby's department.

EXPORTS THROUGH LAREDO INCREASE.

The total value of exports passing through Laredo to Mexico during 1925 is placed at \$37,814,126, with consular duties collected amounting to \$1,899,802.05, summarized in the annual report of Mexican Consul Y. M. Vaguez, issued Dec. 31. Total exportations during 1924 was \$24,199,051, with consular duties collected that year amounting to \$1,709,571. The increase over last year in exportations is \$3,615,075, and in duties, \$180,230.

The report indicates a large increase of business the last year between the United States and Mexico. The valuations are given in American money, which in Mexican money represents double these amounts.

TEXAS INDIAN POPULATION 2,110.

Texas had an Indian population of 2,110 on June 30, according to figures announced by the Department of the Interior. The country's total Indian population on that date was 349,595, a gain of 2,700 during the year. Oklahoma has the greatest Indian population, with 120,163.

GONZALES MAN NAMED U. C. V. CHIEF OF STAFF.

General G. C. Foster, Houston, Commander of the Texas Division, United Confederate Veterans, has announced the appointment of Judge W. M. Atkinson, Gonzales, as Adjutant General and Chief of Staff.

Judge Atkinson succeeds to the place made vacant by the death in Waco recently of Adjutant General Bradford Hancock.

RAILROAD IS RELEASED FROM RECEIVERSHIP.

The San Antonio, Uvalde & Gulf Railroad, which is operated between San Antonio and Corpus Christi, was released from receivership by Judge Charles A. Boynton of Waco in Federal Court.

A. R. Ponder, receiver for the road since Jan. 15, 1917, was told to turn over all rights, privileges and franchises to the company.

BUILDING PERMITS OF 9 TEXAS CITIES FOR 1925.

The building permits of nine Texas cities for 1925 are as follows:

Houston	\$35,040,010
Dallas	34,849,558
San Antonio	9,478,671
Fort Worth	9,141,000
Wichita Falls	5,903,866
Austin	2,236,292
Waco	1,886,396
Galveston	1,707,371
Beaumont	1,626,900

GOVERNOR LEGALIZES TEXT BOOK CONTRACTS.

Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson has issued a proclamation declaring legally adopted the text book contracts awarded Oct. 12 by the Text Book Commission.

These contracts, for a period of six years, involve approximately \$1,000,000, including the American Book Company's contracts, worth more than half that amount and which S. M. N. Marrs, superintendent of public instruction, has refused to recognize. Attorney General Dan Moody has declared the American Book Company contract invalid.

TEXAS HEADS SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS.

Texas occupies a leading position in the Southern Association of Colleges, having 119 accredited high schools of the 725, Miss Mary Jo Popplewell, chief supervisor of high schools in the Department of Education, announced upon her return from the annual meeting at Charleston, S. C.

Of the 119 accredited schools in 1924-25, in Texas, four were dropped by the association while Breckenridge, Goose Creek, Wessaco, Wortham, Highland Park (Dallas) and Fairview (Thrift) were added.

PLANS TO IRRIGATE LARGE TERRITORY.

Approval by the State Board of Water Engineers of filings of John B. Carrington of San Antonio for water rights to the Colorado River is said to be part of a plan for creation of a series of irrigation districts to irrigate 250,000 acres of land bordering the Colorado below Austin.

Filings of Mr. Carrington approved are for water rights from a point just above the mouth of the San Saba River covering a drainage area of about 8,000 square miles, and for another drainage area of 10,000 square miles beginning at a point above the mouth of the Pedernales River.

Announcement was made that immediate steps are to be taken to form irrigation districts and it is proposed to build two dams which would create huge reservoirs for impounding the water. Engineers will make a survey to ascertain the cost of the project.

STATE BANK CASH RESERVES ABOVE NORMAL.

The 842 banks and trust companies in the State banking system go into the New Year in a most healthy condition, it was declared recently by Charles O. Austin, Commissioner of Banking, who said that cash reserves are above normal and that the banks are doing splendidly.

Under the new law enlarging the scope of the bond system of guaranteeing deposits a large number of State banks have changed from the guaranty fund plan to the bonding idea. They have been changing at an average of one a day and there now are 484 banks using the bond system of protecting deposits, leaving 358 in the guaranty fund, with the latter being reduced weekly.

State banks in the drought stricken area for the most part are in much better condition than they were a year ago, Mr. Austin said.

STATE'S IRON BOARD ORGANIZED.

William A. Black of San Antonio and Representative H. T. Brown of Jacksonville met at Austin in December and organized the board of managers for the State Iron Industries. Mr. Black having been selected as chairman and Mr. Brown as secretary. The third member of the board is Senator I. D. Fairchild of Lufkin. The board will make a personal investigation of the iron situation and also examine the deed records with reference to the 4,000 acres of land owned by the State prison system adjoining Rusk.

Under the act of the Thirty-ninth Legislature the State Prison Commission is required to convey the iron lands to the board and that board is authorized to either sell or lease the land to persons who will develop the iron business.

DALLAS COUNTY LEADS IN AUTO REGISTRATIONS.

All counties in Texas except ten showed increases in automobile registrations for eleven months of the year 1925, in comparison with 1924 registrations, according to a statement issued by the State Highway Department.

Dallas County had the largest number of registrations and the largest increase. That county's registrations numbered 64,250, compared with 56,637 last year, increase of 7,613. Harris County was second with 55,544 registrations, increase of 6,840; Bexar County, third, 47,580, increase 2,957; Tarrant County, fourth, 36,869, increase 1,925.

Registrations for eleven months of this year totaled 956,545, compared with 837,445 for the entire year of 1924, an increase of 119,100.

PLAN CHAIN OF 51 PARKS FOR TEXAS.

Working out of a program to develop fifty-one State park sites, scattered from Amarillo to Brownsville, and from Texarkana to El Paso, making Texas the most attractive tourist State in the Union, is planned for a regional park conference to be held in Texarkana, Jan. 15 and 16. Plans for regional conference have been announced by D. E. Colp, chairman of the Texas State Park Board. Park officials and Governors from six States, Mr. Colp said, will attend the meeting.

Other States have developed a plan, Mr. Colp affirms, by which State parks are self-sustaining and earn enough money to purchase and develop additional playgrounds.

A total of fifty-one park sites have been given the State without cost, Mr. Colp said. They comprise a total of 30,821 acres, valued at \$1,300,000.

Work of developing and operating them has been temporarily held up and it is believed the conference will produce a plan whereby they can be beautified, equipped and put into public use.

NATIONAL PIGEON SHOW.

The seventh annual exhibition of the National Pigeon Association will be held in Fort Worth Jan. 10-15.

Fincher E. Withers, Fort Worth pigeon fancier and manager of the show, said that 125 pigeon raisers from many parts of the United States will be at the show. About 2,000 birds will be exhibited.

The show will be held in the old Sanger Brothers building, Second and Main Streets, the entire lower floor being used.

In conjunction with the national exhibition, the Fort Worth Pigeon Club will stage its twelfth annual show.

Entries for the pigeon show closed Dec. 31. Withers announced. Birds already have been entered from as far north as Wisconsin, as far south as Houston, west as far as Stockton, Cal., and east as far as Savannah, Ga. The Government has agreed to enter a large exhibit of racing homer pigeons, many of which were used in World War messenger service.

BILL ON POTASH INVESTIGATION FILED.

Senator Sheppard of Texas has introduced his bill calling for an appropriation of \$2,500,000 for a joint investigation by the United States Geological Survey and the Department of Agriculture for the explorations to determine potash deposits and methods for obtaining potash from various substances as well as research for natural deposits. The appropriation would be for a five-year program.

While sections of the country are not stipulated in the bill a large part of the fund given the Geological Survey would be expended in Western Texas, where extensive potash deposits have already been found. Of the general fund \$250,000 for five years would be allowed the Department of Agriculture to extract potash from various substances such as waste materials of cement, blast furnaces, beet sugar factories, etc.

Senator Sheppard's bill was passed by the Senate last session, but failed in the House.

Representative Hudspeth, of the El Paso district, has a bill pending for \$1,000,000 to be used by the Geological Survey in potash explorations.

STATE FILES SUIT FOR \$4,000,000 WORTH OF LAND.

Recovery of land valued at approximately \$4,000,000, located in Midland, Ector, Andrews and Martin counties, is sought in a suit brought in Travis county by Attorney General Dan Moody in behalf of the State of Texas against the Midland Farms Company, which has its headquarters at Midland.

The suit is brought under the Texas alien land ownership law and was filed Dec. 16.

The land in litigation consists of approximately 326,000 acres, and was purchased, it is alleged, some years ago by a Canadian capitalist, who resides at Toronto. The Midland Farms Company was organized and took over the property.

The Attorney General claims that title to the property belongs to the State, and the suit is brought to restore it to Texas.

TEXTILE MILL INDUSTRY IN TEXAS.

The total capital investment in the textile industry, based on replacement cost, in Texas today approximates \$44,500,000, and expansion of the industry in the State for the period of 1919 to 1925, has established a precedent, exceeding all records for the past twenty-five years, says Burt C. Blanton, consulting industrial engineer of Dallas, who recently completed an additional survey and report of the industry.

"The textile industry in Texas today ranks third in capital investment among five major classes of manufactures," Mr. Blanton said, "which are, in their relative order, petroleum refining, power and light, textiles, ice and refrigeration and cottonseed oil mills."

Mr. Blanton called particular attention to the fact that approximately 65,400 new spindles were added to the textile industry in Texas during the period of 1923-24, which represented an increase in spindleage of about 33 percent over the close of the year 1922.

In his report Mr. Blanton presents information pertaining to the number of spindles in Texas for the period of 1899 to 1925, as follows:

Year	Total Spindles
1899	42,371
1904	47,371
1909	57,371
1914	107,371
1919	157,371
1925	217,371

Texas Sand and Gravel Deposits

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of interest have been unearthed from these pits. Recently, in a pit south of Irving, a huge sandstone of a perfectly spherical shape, weighing eighty-seven pounds and having the appearance of human construction, was found buried in the sand. This, as well as many other discoveries, which, while they may not be of great importance, yet are unusual finds, to say the least of it. Some of the more common discoveries are those of sea shells, bearing a striking resemblance to the sea shells of today, rocks of odd composition and shapes, bearing strange impressions, identified bones of small and large mammals, etc. The enormous tooth of a mastodon, measuring five inches in length and ten inches in circumference, was recently unearthed, and in another pit at Irving, a camel's skull of large dimensions was unearthed, together with other bones of this skeleton. From same pit bones of an ancient bison, skull of an elephant, and fragments of bones of the famed "Texas horse" were discovered. Many of these prehistoric species may be viewed in the museum of the Southern Methodist University, Dallas. However, most of the fossils from gravel pit diggings are those aside as being of no value, while, to a scientist, they might prove many stories claimed for prehistoric times. Some of these fossils crumble when exposed to the air.

Mammoth Elephant Fossil.

The mounted head and tusks of a mammoth elephant imperator is on exhibition in the Fort Worth Carnegie library. This splendid specimen was found on Tuesday, September 6, 1925, at a depth of twelve feet in the pit of the Scheuberg Church Company, three miles southwest of Fort Worth. The tusks are twelve feet, and eight and eight inches, respectively, length; the base thirty-two inches, the tusk tips nineteen inches in circumference.

This is the largest and most complete mastodon fossil ever found in Texas; and probably, in all the South.

In the study of these phenomena are led to believe many strange weird tales of the past history of the country, when the world was inhabited by gigantic land and sea animals. We go forward with the work of cavating and unraveling what is contained in the bowels of Mother Earth. We may yet be able to disprove or substantiate the many claims advanced by learned naturalists and scientists to the origin of man and of the mastodon and other prehistoric animals.

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BOY SCOUT COUNCIL TO ENCOURAGE THRIFT.
Thrift requirements for attaining the rank of first-class scout in the Austin, Texas, Boy Scout organization were made more strict at a session of the court of honor when boys were told that 25c per week must be saved as a habit before the first-class rating will be awarded. The national scout rules provide that \$2 must be saved at any time before a boy can become a first-class scout.

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A LITTLE FUN Jokes to Make You Laugh

USUALLY.
Teacher: Ella, in what way does the moon affect the tide?
Ella: It has no effect on the tide; it affects only the untied.

LIFTING THEM HIGH.
"Did you run when he started shooting?"
"Ah don't exactly rec'lec," boss, "but reckon Ah must o' been travelin' right pert, 'kaze de bottom o' my feets is full o' buckshot."

DANGER AHEAD.
Ruth had been taking shots in the arm as a typhoid preventive.
"Mother," she complained, after the doctor had departed from his last visit, "if they don't quit giving me so many punctures I'm going to have a blowout."

RESIGNATION.
"Rastus," said the sheriff, "I'm sorry, but we've got to hang you. Have you anything to say?"
"No, suh," replied Rastus. "Ah feels Ise in de hands ob a all-wise and unscrupulous Providence."

OH, THAT ONE?
"I want to buy a cake of soap," said Mrs. O'Brien to her grocer.
"What kind?"
"I don't remember the name," replied Mrs. O'Brien. "But it's the one the advertisements speak of so highly."

NOT THE GIVING KIND.
Teacher—"Why, Jimmie, is it true that your mother has diphtheria?"
Jimmie—"Yes, ma'am."
"But don't you know you mustn't come to school? You might get it from your mother and then give it to the whole class."
"No, ma'am; it's only my stepmother, an' she never gives me nothin'!"

Uncle Si Perkins says, "Tell a man there are 267,543,201 stars and he will believe you, but if a sign says 'Fresh Paint' he will make a personal investigation."

UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE.
Ikey and Izze were about to separate after a night out.
"Au revoir," said Ikey.
"Vot does dat mean?"
"Dot means 'Good-bye' in French."
"All right, Ikey, Carbohic Acid."
"Vot you mean carbohic acid?"
"Dot's 'Good-bye' in any langwitsh."

WHY HE CRIED.
Johnny—What are you crying for, Jimmy?
Jimmy—My dog is dead.
Johnny—That ain't nothing. My grandmother died last week and I ain't crying.
Jimmy—But you didn't raise your grandmother from a pup, did you?

"The energy used on the golf courses every afternoon," said Lem Frisby, "would furnish power enough to mow 70,000 lawns, beat 60,000 rugs and wash 789,234 dishes."

HE DIDN'T WANT MUCH.
The colonel had advertised for a man servant and was telling an applicant, named Murphy, what he wanted done.
"I want a generally useful man, one who can cook, drive a car, look after the horses, clean my boots, wash the windows, feed the chickens, bring in fuel, do odd jobs like paper hanging, painting, and—"
"Excuse me, sor," broke in Murphy. "what sort av soil have we here?"
"Soil?" snapped the colonel. "What has that to do with it?"
"Well, I was just thinkin', sor, that if it wuz clay I might be makin' a few bricks in me spare time."

"Yes, and they have no pom, no phonograph, no radio, and not even a grand piano. I can't imagine what they have got."
"Humph!" remarked friend husband, sardonically. "Perhaps they have a bank account."

CHEERFUL EITHER WAY.
Anxious Old Lady (on river steamer)—I say, my good man, is this boat going up or down?
Surly Deckhand—Well, she's a leaky old tub, ma'am, so I shouldn't wonder if she was going down. Then, again, her boilers ain't none too good, 'n she might go up.

ONLY WORM SHE KNEW.
A lady was showing her child a dress of silk. Wishing to impart useful knowledge, she said, "Daughter, do you know all this was given us by a poor worm?"
The little girl looked puzzled for a minute, then asked, "Mother, do you mean daddy?"

HELP WANTED.
"Help! Help!" yelled the fat man, struggling in the water.
"All right, old man," shouted the advertising solicitor, jumping up from the park bench. "how about a few lines in the want column?"

Lem Frisby, who is a bachelor, gives this definition of a flapper: "A flapper is a girl who powders her face, paints her lips and cheeks, bobs her hair and says to herself: 'Clothes, I'm going out; if you want to come along, hang on.'"

THE LAST STRAW.
"Why did you divorce your husband?" asked Belle.
"Well," replied Belle, "he got mad one morning and pulled my hair, hit me, and then threw me downstairs."
"No wonder you divorced him!"
"Oh, I didn't mind that so much, but to cap the climax, he walked off without kissing me good bye."

JUST IN TIME.
I was working at a sawmill once where each fellow had to do his turn cooking.
We had made it a rule that the first one who complained was to do the cooking himself, regardless of his turn.
One morning the biscuits were unusually hard, but no one said anything until finally one fellow blurted out: "These biscuits are hard as nails," and after a pause, "but that's the way I like them."

AND THAT SETTLED IT.
Three tailors, one after another, decided to put up a signboard, and it happened that they were all in one block.
The first tailor's signboard said, "Thomas Jones, best tailor in the city."
The next one after reading this put up one saying, "Bob Brown, best tailor in the State."
The third tailor read both of the preceding ones and then put his up, which said, "Dick Rahm, best tailor in this block."

A SILVER LINING.
Mrs. Knowall took a great interest in the doings of all the neighbors. It was a great day for her when a new arrival came to the house on the opposite side of the street, and she watched with interest as the furniture was removed from the van and carried into the house.
"Well," said her husband, when he returned from business in the evening, "have you found out anything about the social standing of the new folks across the street?"
"Not yet," was the reply. "They have no car."
"No?"
"Yes, and they have no pom, no phonograph, no radio, and not even a grand piano. I can't imagine what they have got."
"Humph!" remarked friend husband, sardonically. "Perhaps they have a bank account."

AUTO HINTS

Never run your car on a flat tire even for a short distance, if it can possibly be avoided. This practice is responsible for ruining many inner tubes beyond repair, breaking the side wall of the tire and damaging the rim.

It is not necessary to add acid to a battery when it is functioning properly. While discharging, the acid is absorbed by the plates, and while recharging, the acid is forced out of the plates into the solution again. Only the water evaporates.

If the car has a tendency to skid when the brakes are applied, it indicates that one wheel is free and the other dragging. This condition is caused by a lack of equalization in brake adjustment and can be corrected by having the brakes properly equalized.

It is better to have the battery recharged when low than to wait until it is fully exhausted. This will be not only a means of avoiding a delay some cold morning, but an economy as well. The more extremely a battery is charged or discharged the sooner it wears out.

While many motorists change the oil in the crankcase of the engine every 500 or 1,000 miles, engineers say that mileage is merely a makeshift guide, and often a positively dangerous one. To be on the safe side, it is necessary to know how much dilution of the oil is taking place in the crankcase. Oil should be changed more often in winter than in summer, more often for city driving than for hard driving on trips, more often for an old engine than for a new one, excepting an engine that is so new as to be difficult to start.

RADIO NEWS

By DAVID J. MORRIS

Prize-Winners' Names Will Appear in February.
Announcement was made last month that names of the winners of the cross-word puzzle prize contest would be published in this month. But due to the great number of answers and the large percentage of those having merit, the editor could not make final judging of winners complete for the January issue and give every answer careful inspection. Therefore, winning names will be published in the February issue of the radio department of this newspaper.

The Radio in 1926.
From the great number of radio messages coming in to broadcasting stations, stating that the listeners have a new radio, the editor knows there will be many new readers of this radio news department during 1926. To these new readers, as well as all former readers, the editor extends his best wishes for a happy and profitable New Year.

All readers are urged to make use of this department when they desire any radio information. The editor has tested and will test during the coming month almost every one of our readers' information on any radio apparatus will obtain what we may know by writing in and making the request. It is the desire of this department to serve its readers well during 1926 and to feel free to ask any question, which we will take pleasure in answering to the best of our ability.

When S O S Is Called.
The radio operators in one of the U. S. battleships were busy sending forth and receiving messages while the ship was headed for Europe. Suddenly one of the operators, who was receiving a message from what we listeners would call a jumbled air, said:
"Listen, there is an S O S."
Every person in the room was silent. Then the sounds: Three dots, three dashes and three dots, began to come through, clear and strong. It was but a few moments until the air, which had been full of hundreds of messages, was silent except for the dit-dit-dit-daw-daw-dit-dit-dit of the S O S call.

Every other radio sending station is supposed to stop at once when an SOS, or help call is sent out by a ship in distress. This enables the unfortunate ship to get the immediate attention of any ship which may be near to them and which may sail to their rescue.
So, if you live near the coast and the broadcasting station to which you are listening should suddenly go "off the air," it is almost certain that if you tune up to about 600 meters you will get the cry for help sent out from some ship in danger.

Questions and Answers.
Question: Am sending a three-tube hookup. Will it give me satisfaction? What size rheostats does it take?—L. B. C. Rockdale.
Answer: The hookup submitted is good. Rheostats of 300hm resistance should be used with this set.
Question: What is a "B" battery eliminator? Can I use one?—W. C. T. Lyford.
Answer: A "B" battery eliminator is an apparatus used in the circuit of a 110-120 C or D. C. electric light circuit to take the place of B batteries. Unless you have access to electric light system you can not use one.

The Semi-Built Radio Receivers.
Our readers were offered four semi-built radio sets as prizes in our December issue. A semi-built or finished receiver is an old-time type of receiver that contains only very little has to be done except to run the wires and tighten the nuts.
One of our prizes is termed a semi-finished receiver and it takes only very little time to assemble. Other types of kits contain only certain parts and some parts as sockets, reostats, etc., have to be purchased extra.
When you obtain a kit or semi-finished receiver you are assured of obtaining the set of transformers and tuning units and condensers that are exactly balanced, that work to full efficiency, when united into a radio circuit.

Therefore, if you lack enough money to obtain a set already built, or about the time you assemble certain parts of your own choice and want the tuning and amplifying units to be the very best, this case can almost always be taken care of in buying a radio kit, which has been tested for the very best possible results in every case.

Radio Call Letters.
Germany controls the letters beginning with A. Their allotment consists of three-letter combinations from AAA to AMZ. Next come the Dutch Indies, who have the letters ANA to APZ for their use. Norway has from AQA to AWZ, Latvia LHZ and also LWZ, Poland's allotments are AXA to AXZ and Venezuela from AYA to AYZ, while Estonia gets the remainder from AZA to AZZ.

France controls all calls beginning with F and Japan with all beginning with J. Great Britain has all the B calls and Turkey TAA to TEZ calls.
The United States has all the Ns and Ws. The Ns the government keeps for its own use and all letters beginning with N or W.

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TOTAL WORLD'S COTTON YIELD.

On the basis of preliminary estimates of lint cotton production for all countries reporting to date, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics have reported an indicated total production of 25,298,000 bales of 478 pounds net, as compared with 23,220,000 bales for the same countries last year.

The total world production last year has been estimated at 24,700,000 bales. "Besides the United States," said the bureau's statement, "larger crops are expected in Egypt, Russia and Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. A much smaller crop is forecast for Mexico and estimates by the Chinese Cotton Mill Owners' Association indicate a slight decrease below 1924-1925 in that country, but statistics for the coming crop in China have been delayed and are less reliable than those for last year."

The first production forecast for the 1925-1926 crop for all India is 4,660,000 bales of 478 pounds equivalent, according to a cablegram from the Department of Agriculture from the Indian Department of Statistics. Last year the first forecast of production was 5,069,000 bales, which figure was unrevised in the final estimates and was the largest crop on record.

"For the last twelve years the first forecast of production averaged 89 per cent of the final crop. The area of the coming crop in India is estimated at 26,305,000 acres, compared with a final estimate of 26,461,000 acres last year.

"Very favorable weather reports have been received from Egypt and Unga. In Anglo-Egyptian Sudan good progress is being made in developing the new irrigated areas and the coming crop is predicted to be over twice as large as that of last year. Picking began the middle of November and a good yield per acre was expected."

A TEXAS LIBERTY BELL. Two liberty bells chimed in the ears of radio listeners on New Year's Eve. One of these bells was the Liberty Bell in Independence Hall, Philadelphia, and the other was an old relic of pioneer days in Fort Worth.

The Fort Worth bell was made in London, England, in 1782; and came to the settlement of Fort Worth in 1855, where it served to sound the alarm of Indian raids; the alarm of fire; served to call the children to school; to call the pioneers to worship, or to sound farewell to the dead.

NEGRO ELECTROCUTED AS NEW YEAR DAWNS. A few minutes after the New Year was ushered in, Milton Carr, negro, paid with his life in the electric chair at Huntsville, for a crime committed in Leon County in 1924. Carr was convicted in November, 1924, of having committed criminal assault on Mrs. Fannie Kitchens of Leon County.

POLY BANK ROBBER FOILED. Cleve S. Owen, the bank bandit who robbed the First State Bank of Polytechnic, suburb of Fort Worth, on March 27, led a party of 10 convicts in an escape at the Harlem State farm Dec. 31, and was recaptured shortly afterward when his pistol was shot from his hand in an interchange of shots with a prison farm manager.

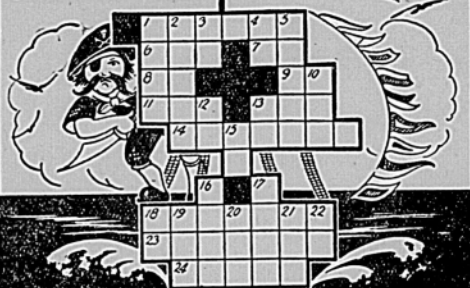
HE REDEEMS AND CROWNS.—Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits: who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with loving kindness and tender mercies. Psalm 103:1-4.

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For Our Boys and Girls

By AUNT MARY.

THE PIRATE SHIP CROSS-WORD PUZZLE



Up and Down

- 1—Unable to speak.
- 2—To make amends for injury.
- 3—North East (abbreviation).
- 4—Louisiana (abbreviation).
- 5—To banish from one's country.
- 6—Advertisements (abbreviation).
- 7—Dry Nation (initials).
- 8—Fifteenth and twelfth letters of alphabet.
- 9—To perform.
- 10—A Greek philosopher.
- 11—One way of spelling the name Amy.
- 12—To move forward.
- 13—A Jamaica liquor.
- 14—Modern Labor Device (initials).

21—Answers (abbreviation)
22—Second side of the scale.

Across

- 1—A cloak.
- 2—A tribe of Indiana.
- 3—A sharp edged tool for hewing.
- 4—Toward.
- 5—Indian Archipelago (initials).
- 11—The last.
- 12—Not you.
- 13—Without end.
- 14—To move forward.
- 15—The study of proper speech.
- 16—The line defining a figure.
- 24—Fashion.

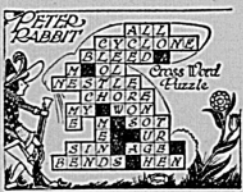
JANUARY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

Here is a Pirate Ship with a fierce pirate looking around the corner. This ship is not loaded with plunder stolen from ships; but with words that will make a very interesting puzzle if you will work it out.

How do you like these cross-word puzzles? The other day I received a letter from a little boy who said, "Aunt Mary, I certainly do enjoy the cross-word puzzles. I can hardly wait from month to month to get the next one." Do you like them this well, too? If you do, write Aunt Mary a letter and tell her just what you want for the New Year on this page.

Address your letter to Aunt Mary, 1941 Dartmoor Court, Fort Worth, Texas.

Answer to November Puzzle:



THE CAVALRY OF THE AIR.

A Visit to the Seashore (Concluded)

The Little Boy and the Little Girl stood beside the seashore, fascinated at the wonderful sights before them. The "smoke cloud" that they had seen in the distance was coming nearer and nearer. It would rise and fall with a loud and graceful sweep.

"Sit here beside this brush, children, and be very quiet. Do not stir or say a word or this great host of birds that are coming will sweep out to sea and we will not get a very good view of them." Grandma cautioned, as the Little Boy and Little Girl seated themselves on the beach.

On and on came the line. Now it had lost its "smoke cloud" appearance and was a definite undulating line. Somehow, it reminded them of the great line of soldiers that Grandfather had told them about—how the soldiers had marched side by side, never loosing step, and never faltering.

As the feathered host advanced, it was now seen that they were a great army of birds. The end nearest the watchers on the beach was directly over the line where water and shore met. As the beach curved in and out, so did the flying host.

When the birds came nearer, the children saw there were many lines of the birds, each one following directly behind the other in perfect order, looking more like a solid mass than anything else. The outer end of the lines extended out to sea as far as they could see.

"It is the skimmer or scissors-bills, which are a close relation to the beautiful albatross," Grandma whispered to them.

Now the birds were opposite, and flying so close together and so regular that they made almost a perfect wall. The Little Boy and the Little Girl saw they had jet black backs with snowy breasts. Their narrow tapering wings rose and fell with perfect regularity, making them almost uncanny in appearance, and the lowering and the raising of the many wings made them first seem white and then black.

The birds had a long scissor-like bill that was a brilliant scarlet at the base; the lower part of their bills were much longer than the upper part. With this long bill they could literally plow the water and catch their meal of fish as they flew.

In a few seconds they were past the watchers. On and on toward the south they flew, until they seemed again only a rising and falling wisp of smoke.

"This has been a wonderful sight," Grandma said. "For many years I have

lived near the shore and this is the second time only that I have seen these beautiful birds. I call them the 'Cavalry of the Air, flying to their winter home.'

"How I wish Mumsy could have seen them," sighed the Little Boy; "she loves all birds and she misses her seaside home, for she told me so the other day."

"Come, the air is getting a little chilly and we must go into the house," cautioned Grandma.

"May we come again tomorrow?" they both inquired at once.

"Yes, if the sun is shining," she replied.

(NOTE: Next month we will hear more of the adventures of the Little Boy and Little Girl at the Seaside.)

POEMS THAT LIVE.

(There is nothing so beautiful in literature as a lovely poem. Aunt Mary wants her boys and girls to save all poems which appear on this page, so they will always have them and can read them over again and again after they become grown-up men and women.)

THE VILLAGE BLACKSMITH.

Under the spreading chestnut tree
The village smithy stands;
The smith, a mighty man is he,
With large and sinewy hands;
And the muscles of his brawny arms
Are strong as iron bands.

His hair is crisp, and black, and long,
His face is like the tan;
His brow is wet with honest sweat,
He wears what'er he can,
And looks the whole world in the face,
For he oves not any man.

Week in, week out, from morn till night,
You can hear his billows blow;
You can hear him swing his heavy sledge,
With measured beat and slow,
Like a sexton ringing the village bell,
When the evening sun is low.

And children coming home from school
Look in at the open door;
They love to see the flaming forge,
And hear the bellows roar,
And catch the burning sparks that fly
Like chaff from the threshing-floor.

He goes on Sunday to the church,
And sits among his boys;
He hears the parson pray and preach,
He hears his daughter's voice,
Singing in the village choir,
And it makes his heart rejoice.

It sounds to him like her mother's voice,
Singing in Paradise!
He needs must think of her once more,
How in the grave she lies;
And with his hard, rough hand he wipes
A tear out of his eyes.

Telling—rejoicing—sorrowing,
Onward through life he goes;
Each morning sees some task begin,
Each evening sees it close;
Something attempted, something done,
Has earned a night's repose.

Thanks, thanks to thee, my worthy friend,
For the lesson thou hast taught!
Thus at the flaming forge of life
Our fortunes must be wrought;
Thus on its sounding anvil shaped
Each burning deed and thought!

—By Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

LITTLE GIRL'S COOK BOOK.

Here is a very nice recipe I am sure that you will like and it is so easy to make.

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1 cup milk.
1 egg.
1 1/2 tablespoon sugar.
1/2 teaspoon salt.
1 teaspoon vanilla.

Scald the milk; beat egg, add sugar and salt and gradually pour on the scalded milk. Add the vanilla. Pour into custard cups, place in a deep pan and pour hot water around them until two-thirds covered. Bake in a moderate oven twenty minutes.

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COTTON CONTEST PRIZES TOTAL \$1,000.

Winners of the Rusk, Cherokee County, cotton contest fostered by the Kiwanis Club of Rusk and financed by merchants of Rusk received checks totaling \$1,000 at a celebration recently on the courthouse grounds. J. Duncan Long, winner of the bottom land prize of \$400, and D. H. Reeves, winner of the upland prize of \$400, were crowned with cotton crowns by Judge J. W. Fitzgerald, Tyler banker, and member of the State cotton contest committee.

COUPLE FOUND DEAD IN HOTEL.

May Fannette, about 25, and Frank Shaw, about 30, were found dead in a room in the basement of the McAshan Apartments at Houston Jan. 1. Both had died from the effects of pistol wounds. Investigators believe the man killed the woman and then shot himself.

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TRIPLE SLAYER GOES TO TRIAL JAN. 18.

F. M. Snow, confessed triple slayer, will not ask a change of venue and will be ready to go to trial January 18, his attorneys have declared.

Snow's defense will be either insanity or self-defense, depending on the showing made by the State, it was announced.

Snow confessed to slaying and beheading his step-son, Bernie Conally, and decapitating the body on Cedar Mountain, Erath County, Texas, and killing his wife and mother-in-law and burning their bodies in the fireplace of their home near Stephenville, Texas, some weeks ago.

Finding of the boy's head in an old cellar by a hunter's dog led to a county-wide search ending in Snow's arrest and confession.

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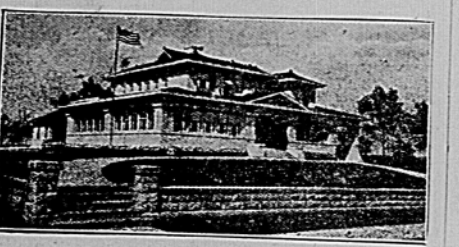
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WOMAN'S PAGE
MRS. MARGARET STUTE
HOME PROBLEMS
GARDENING DUTIES IN JANUARY

January is a good month for the thrifty gardener to work out plans of the "planting season." What is more fun than to sit in front of your fireplace these cold nights and with seed book, pencil and paper, plan your garden for the forthcoming spring? Who knows this thrill is missing a great deal of the joy of gardening.

Lay all of your plans before spring, so that when the spring comes here you will go about your task with system, saving time and labor. I like to order seeds now, that I may be sure of getting the best seeds. Good results from our work.

There is another task we can get joy from now, and that is, getting all of our garden tools ready. Hoes, plows and shovels should be assembled and sharpened. It is fine also to prepare stake markers for the rows, label them with the names of the plants, label will plant and sharpen the points so they can be driven easily. You will be surprised how much better and easier the tools can be handled. After the garden tools are in shape, it is well to put them away together where they can be easily found when needed.

Now, that we are ready for the spring work in the yard we must turn our attention to the indoor gardening, that is, filling our home geraniums and ferns become infected with aphids (small green bugs) that slowly sap their strength and life. They are best destroyed by applying strong tepid soap water to the stems and foliage. By using a soft brush, the work will be hastened. Apply frequently until the bugs are all destroyed.

It is wise at this time of year to thin out the house plants and leave only choice ones. Twined and few of the plants receive sufficient nourishment to produce the best flowers. Smaller ones can be put in pots or cans and used in another room.

For the good appearance of plants, all dry and yellow leaves should be removed frequently.

Spray leaves often, as the plant breathes through its leaves and dust clogs the pores. Spraying freshens and invigorates the plant.

It is necessary to stir dirt around the roots at least once a week. This lets in air and keeps the soil from packing.

Do not let plants come in direct contact with gas heat, as this is fatal to them. If kept in a sunny window, away from drafts and freezing conditions, our indoor plants will amply repay us for our trouble.

There is a practice good for both humans and plants and that is, putting an open vessel of water in the room. Plants need moisture as well as human beings.

There is another duty of the thrifty gardener and housekeeper, and that is to keep a "weather eye" on stored vegetables. Watch for any plant that shows a tendency to rot. Remove all vegetables that show spoiled spots, as they will in time contaminate the others. If the cabbages or potatoes in pit or frame are to be used, they should be washed if weather is unseasonably warm.

I want to add a word of warning here to the fruit grower. DO NOT PRUNE YOUR TREES UNTIL THE SAP BEGINS TO RISE. This is contrary to the advice of experts, but here in my region we feel a "pruning" in an old negro born in slavery days. For over sixty years he has lived with plants and trees and never have I found his judgment erring in anything which relates to plant life. He said to me one day: "Spring is the only time to prune, after the sap begins to rise. If you prune when the sap is down the wounded tree freezes, never heals over naturally, and is a lodging place for disease and worms. If you prune when the sap is coming up, the sap oozes over the wound and forms a skin which keeps out insects."

My trees have borne when other trees were a failure. A four-year-old peach tree in my back yard produced 19 quarts of canned fruit, and enough fresh peaches for a family of three for over three weeks.

Here is luck to your garden, and happiness to you.

CARE OF THE CHILD

It has been stressed over and over again that the principal ideals of life in any individual are founded before that individual is six or seven years of age. Therefore, it is the early impressions and ideals we give our children that will guide their conduct throughout life.

As I have said before, example is the strongest factor in the discipline of any child. In a daily newspaper the other day I read the following item: "One of the reasons why girls leave home is because the parents expect them to stay there alone." All too true to be humorous. Nine hundred and ninety-nine times out of a thousand the children grow into manhood and womanhood, developing characteristics that are fashioned by their parents or guardians. The one case that goes wrong out of a good home is published to the four winds and we come to the unjust conclusion that all girls are the same. But statistics gathered by the workers in child welfare have shown, beyond a shadow of a doubt, that home and parents were fundamentally to blame for juvenile delinquency.

Parents can help their children choose friends. This can be done in only one way and that is by comparison. If you wish further a friendship with children of the right sort, make the home attractive and welcome

them at all times. The wrong kind of company will not come to the home; they are the ones that are met on the street corners or in the country lane. It is the most sacred duty of mother and father alike to make home something their children can be proud of. Parents should not let themselves grow old and crabbed. Join in the activities of the young and your wise and good examples will be the standard they will follow. Expect and demand respect for your home and property, but also make the home a REAL HOME, where young folks can always feel a WELCOME sign hanging out. Your children can then get the right perspective on their companions.

Win your child's confidence and respect by deserving it. Your child can read your soul and mind more clearly than you could ever guess. BE REAL and be SINCERE. And as one of the great teachers has said: "Love at its best must know a little of fear." Our child should fear our displeasure through knowing and feeling the hurt that we suffer when they do wrong. In this paragraph I have summarized the sentiment of most authorities on child training.

NOTE—Next month I will take up the subject of "stealing," a vice that often confronts parents. The subject was suggested by a "child" who was a thief and suggestions offered will be from the viewpoint of a thief.

TIMELY HINTS

This is the time to dress the linen closet with new linens of every description. January is usually the month most merchants have on "White Sales" that can be turned to great profit for the thrifty housewife. Now, when her eggs for the chickens are bringing an unusually good price, she can "treat" herself to new towels, new sheets, etc.

As a rule I have found I can buy better material for less money by buying twining by the yard and hemming on the machine, or by hand. Pillow slips are cheaper and better bought by the yard and hemmed at home. January usually affords the industrious housewife her most leisurely time of the year.

Tomato plants can be started the latter part of this month, in some localities. In most letters I receive along this line, busy gardeners agree that early vegetables do the best in the Southern States. Care should be taken that they do not freeze and have pride in the advantage of all the sunshine possible.

One of my readers of this department offers a very unique suggestion. She says her yard is the greatest pride of her life. As she lives in a county where there are many rocks, she

wants to build a rock fence at the back of the yard and also a bird bath of rocks. She says: "In order to be able to afford this fence I have derived a scheme that is both profitable to me and instructive to my children. My two children have little well built wagons, so I am paying them a cent a rock for each rock they pick up off our farm and put in a neat pile. They work all day Saturday and even holidays, gathering rocks. Of course, they have to be a certain size for the fence and these are the ones they are paid a cent a piece for. If they haul a wagon load of small rocks, I dump them in a hole, which we are trying to fill, they get ten cents a wagon load. You see, we are accomplishing things. First, we are clearing our land, secondly we are accumulating rocks for a fence, thirdly we are filling up an ugly hole in the yard and last but not least we are teaching our children to be industrious and have pride in their home. The children are putting the money in a bank, half of which they will give to help pay for the fence and the other half can be spent for something they most desire."

I think this is a splendid idea. How about you?

Write to Mrs. Margaret Stute, 1941 Dartmouth Court, Fort Worth, Texas, as to what you think of the above plan.

TESTED RECIPES

- Winter Squash en Casserole.**
Pare squash (Hubbard preferred), cut into cubes and fill a well buttered casserole or baking dish. Season with salt and pepper as you fill the dish. Cover the top with thin slices of bacon, put on the cover to dish and bake until tender, remove the cover a few minutes before taking out of the oven so as to brown on top.
- Heavenly Hash.**
1 No. 2 can grated pineapple.
1 pound marshmallows (cut up).
1 cup chopped nuts.
1 pint cream whipped.
Mix pineapple and marshmallows and allow to stand over night. Just before serving add one cup whipped cream folded in. Do not stir. This will serve twenty to twenty-five persons when served with waffles in a tea. It is delicious for an afternoon tea.
- Delicious Sauce for Pudding.**
2 cups powdered sugar.
2 tablespoons butter.
1 beaten egg.
Beat all together until thoroughly blended. Put in a cool place, and just before serving add one cup whipped cream and flavoring to taste. Serve with pudding or cake that has become a little dry.
- Spanish Meat Balls.**
1 tablespoon butter.
1 pound ground beef.
1/4 pound ground sausage.
1/2 cup uncooked rice.
Salt and pepper.
1 quart can tomatoes.
1 quart water.
1 1/2 teaspoon chili powder.
1 good sized onion.
Put tomatoes and water on the stove and

let come to a boil. Mince onion fine and fry in butter. Beat egg, add to meats and then add seasoning and rice. Mix thoroughly together and shape into small balls. Put these in the boiling tomatoes and let cook slowly over a low fire for four hours. It is well to cover the pan. Cook slowly so the meat balls will not fall apart.

Delightful Apple Sauce.
Apple sauce is, I guess, one of the most used and the "most abused" of all dishes. Every one eating my apple sauce enjoys it and I have to answer many questions about it.

Here is how we like it best:—
Select the number of apples you wish to cook and wash thoroughly. Pare the skin of the top and bottom of the apple first and then without cutting the skin in small pieces pare the rest of the apple. Preserve the long pieces of peeling from the real red apples. After they are peeled quarter and core the apples. Put enough water into the pan so as to not quite cover all the apples. Put the peeling all together and push down into the juice. Cook over a medium fire until tender. Remove the peeling. Mash the apples through a fine sieve and pour the juice over them. Put back in the pan, sweeten to taste, return to the fire and bring to a boil. Turn out in a dish and set to cool. The peelings are used to give the apples a fine red color, and are not mashed through the sieve.

Brine for Fresh Meat.
Add sufficient water to cover all the meat that is to be packed. Bring to a boil and add salt sufficient until the water will float an egg. To each five gallons of liquid add one pound brown sugar, a small handful of celery, four heaping tablespoons of allspice, four tablespoons cloves, two tablespoons of pepper, one tablespoon whole cloves, and one level teaspoon ground ginger.

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STATE IS DOING HIGHWAY WORK.
The State Highway Department has taken over the maintenance work in five counties that was formerly done under contract by the Hoffman Construction Company. Major W. E. Hutson, State Highway Division Engineer, said recently: "The five counties taken over are Bexar, Comal, Kendall, Medina and Kerr. The Hoffman Construction Company is enjoined from disbursing any funds or receiving any from the State on its contracts and has not been paid anything since October, Hutson said.

The highways in the five counties are now being maintained by new crews employed by Hutson, using equipment from the Hoffman Company. Hutson said the contract had not been cancelled or surrendered, but is scheduled to expire in Austin during January, on the Attorney General's petition for permanent cancellation and recovery of alleged excess payments. Hutson said emergency treatment was being applied to roads as needed to preserve them in good repair during the litigation at Austin.

Texas is sixth in the list of States in the number of motor vehicles registered. There are more automobiles in Texas than in any entire nation in the world except the United States.