

THE WEATHER.

West Texas—Tonight increasing cloudiness, warmer in north-east portion; Friday partly cloudy to cloudy, snow in north portion, colder in north portion.

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If the wicked flourish and thou suffer, be not discouraged. They are fatted for destruction; thou art dieted for health.—Fuller.

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BLANTON WANTS DRY FOREIGN EMBASSIES

ATTACK ON NEW AUTO TAX LAW IS DISCUSSED

If Fight in Courts Succeeds, Legislature May Be Called to Meet.

AUSTIN, Jan. 3.—Following a conference between representatives of the state highway department and the attorney general, the opinion was expressed by the conferees that if the new automobile license tax law is held unconstitutional as a result of the attack on it made in the courts of Limestone county, an early session of the legislature will be inevitable.

The highway department officials at the conference included V. D. Sugler, who is a member of the legislature and secretary of the highway commission.

Attorney General Keeling advised the highway department that where the tax collectors fail to make remittances they are liable on their bonds and the state may sue to collect.

SUIT FILED IN EFFORT TO NULLIFY NEW LAW RELATING TO HIGHWAYS

Special. GROESBECK, Jan. 3.—Suit was filed here Wednesday in the Seventy-seventh district court on behalf of Limestone county against the state highway commission, state highway engineer, W. A. Robbin, county tax collector, and Mrs. Lula Oates, county treasurer.

The purpose of the suit is to declare the highway law passed by the thirty-eighth legislature void and to enjoin the highway commission from taking over the highways of Limestone county, and to enjoin county officers collecting automobile tax under the act from remitting and turning over to the highway department said taxes collected in Limestone county.

ROCKS HURLED AT TOMB OF HARDING, SOLDIERS TO SHOOT TRESPASSERS

MARION, Ohio, Jan. 3.—Orders to shoot to wound persons trespassing near the tomb of Warren G. Harding, president of the United States until his death in August, were issued today to soldiers on duty at the cemetery.

The order followed reports by men on duty that on several occasions rocks had been hurled at the tomb. Soldiers, guarding his tomb, have been started on other occasions by the mysterious blowing of bugles in the cemetery at midnight.

REVENUES COLLECTORS ARE IN RANGER TODAY

RANGER, Jan. 3.—Revenue collectors from the division office of the bureau of internal revenue, Fort Worth, are in Ranger to straighten out tax returns for 1923.

Henry Wampler and W. A. Brants, representing the division office, came in Wednesday and are at the Gholson hotel.

Notices to persons, whose returns needed correcting, were sent out in advance of their arrival here, and Wampler said today that Ranger people notified were "very nice" in responding.

"We have these corrections to make every year after the auditor has gone over the returns," Wampler said.

The men will return to Ranger next Monday.

OBREGON PLANNING NEW ATTACK AGAINST REBELS

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 3.—Within three or four days an important new movement will be under way to crush the revolution, high government officials informed the United Press today. Important developments may be expected and the situation should change rapidly.

President Obregon expected to leave today for the Guadalajara front. Federal troops on that western battle front admittedly met with a slight check, but in a skirmish near Pachuca the federales defeated a body of rebels under General Cavatos.

Poll Tax Payments Are Due Now and Must Be Paid This Month

Poll tax payments, as usual, are being made slowly this year. A poll tax receipt obtained before midnight of Jan. 31 must be shown by every voter exercising the right of franchise at the ballot boxes this year on or after Feb. 1. This applies equally to men and women.

There is usually a rush at the eleventh hour to pay poll taxes and persons must stand in line awaiting their turn. This may be avoided by paying the poll taxes now. It is only \$1.75 and should be paid at once. In addition to being the passport to the voting boxes during the year, it is a duty every citizen owes the state, for the money goes to the support of the schools.

Pay your poll tax now and exercise your rights as citizens.

INTELLIGENCE TESTS ARE USED IN THE SCHOOLS

They Show Whether Students Are Able to Carry On Prescribed Courses.

RANGER, Jan. 3.—Scoring sheets on the intelligence tests given pupils of the high school and the grade schools the week preceding Christmas will be turned into the superintendent's office next Monday by the teachers who conducted the tests. Scores will not be made known to the pupils themselves, but will be kept for the use of the teachers in grouping their pupils.

"If Frank can ride a bicycle 30 feet while George runs 20 feet, how far can Frank ride while George runs 30 feet?" is one of the questions asked in the arithmetic branch of the test. The Otis test for advanced pupils was given.

Disarranged sentences, in which the student tells whether it is false or true; proverbs, in which the answer is to include the statement that explains the proverb; geometric figures in which each problem asks a question that is answered by a number and still other tests were on the sheets given the pupils.

Accuracy and speed in writing out the answers will determine the final score by the pupil.

The national intelligence tests were given to grade school pupils from the third to seventh grades inclusive. The reasoning tests included, for example a question as: "How many pencils can you buy for 50 cents at the rate of two for five cents?"

"We don't know for certainty whether the tests determine the intelligence of a pupil," said E. O. McNew, superintendent of schools. "A pupil may be marked up slow in the tests, but still go out in the world and make a success along practical lines. We do know that the tests show whether the pupil is able to do courses as we have them."

Counsel for Thaw Denies Effort to Have Him Released

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 3.—Emphatic denial of reports that relatives of Harry K. Thaw are about to start legal proceedings to have the slayer of Stanford White declared sane so that he may be released from the Pennsylvania hospital for the insane was made today by James Day Gordon, counsel for Mrs. Mary Copley Thaw, mother of Harry.

"There is not a bit of truth in the story that a move is contemplated to obtain Thaw's release, so far as I know," said Gordon. "As counsel for the family and representative of Mrs. Thaw since her son shot and killed White in 1906, I have had intimate knowledge of all proceedings connected with the case."

Two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wynne Dies. EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—The 2-year-old baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Wynne on Halbryan street died Wednesday night about 12 o'clock and will be buried Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The child died rather suddenly and it is not known just what the cause of death was. It is reported to have appeared to be well in the early part of the night, was taken suddenly ill about 12 o'clock and died before a physician could be summoned.

Capital of France Facing Flood of Great Proportions

MANY APPLYING FROM TEXAS TO GET RECORDS

Work for 20 Persons Promised in Collecting Data in Senator Mayfield Contest.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The contest to test the right of Senator Earle B. Mayfield to his seat in the senate was brought to the floor of the senate for the first time today.

Debate broke out when Senator Spencer, chairman of the special subcommittee to investigate the Mayfield case, attempted to get through a resolution appropriating funds to make the investigation.

Senator Borah of Idaho asked Spencer whether the resolution to make the investigation restricted it to the charge that the campaign expenses of Senator Mayfield had been illegally excessive. Senator Spencer, replying in the negative, the debate was continuing on the scope of the investigation at 1 o'clock today.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Arrangements for proceeding with the contest against Senator Earle B. Mayfield of Texas were expected to be completed when congress reconvenes today by passage by the senate of the resolution empowering the committee on privileges and election to make certain orders that will bring details of the Texas election of 1922 to Washington.

The resolution is similar to that adopted in the Newberry case from Michigan.

Records in 244 Counties. Attorneys for George E. B. Peddy of Houston, the contestant, have filed with the committee suggestions for gathering the records from 244 Texas counties and sending them to Washington for use of the committee. This would include both ballots and the judges' records.

These details would be gathered, under the suggestion, by 20 persons representing both sides of the contest who would work in teams in collecting the records at a central point in the state for shipment here by registered mail. These persons would have the status of assistant sergeants at arms of the senate and be paid a per diem and expenses. Many applications are coming in, it is said, to the representatives of the case from residents of Texas who want appointments.

Luther Nickels of Dallas, attorney for Peddy, returned to Washington Wednesday and joined Scott Woodward of Fort Worth, attorney in chief for Senator Mayfield, arrived Wednesday, accompanied by James P. Straughn of Fort Worth. Also at same hotel is W. F. Zumrann, an attorney of Kansas City, who is to be associated with the defense of Senator Mayfield.

DRINKS "JAKE" AND THINKS KLAN IS AFTER HIM. HOUSTON, Jan. 3.—"Police help—Ku Klux Klan."

Police came on the run to a downtown corner where a small, thin man was struggling with a lamp post and shaking with fear. Asked what the trouble was he could only gasp "Ku Klux Klan." He was assured no one was after him and departed in peace.

A few hours later, however, police were called to a downtown hotel by the same cry. In the corner, cowering behind furniture, was the same midget, screaming "Ku Klux Klan."

This time police searched him rigidly and brought to light an empty bottle of "jake."

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Rivers Seine and Marne Overflowing Banks and Causing Much Destruction. Wine Warehouses Flooded and Barrels of Rare Vintage Floating About the City.

PARIS, Jan. 3.—Three feet of water filled the foreign office cellars as the flooded river Seine today continued to overflow its banks and inundate Paris and its environs.

Many valuable documents have been destroyed. The flood situation is regarded very critical. Tracks of two Paris terminals are under water and the railway stations have closed down. The suburbs are reported suffering worse than the city proper.

Persistent heavy rains and melting snow have increased the difficulties as they endeavor to check the flood waters. The first flood casualty occurred when a St. Germain man, unable to distinguish between the flooded section and the rivers, drove into the latter and was drowned.

At noon today the authorities decided to evacuate the inhabitants of Alfortville, which lies below the level of the Seine. The water had started to overflow the parapets. Great wine houses at Percy have been flooded and hundreds of barrels of wine are floating about. Rare vintage is being salvaged.

It is expected that by Saturday the Seine will be within a few feet or even above the high record established in 1910. The Marne, too, is overflowing its banks. Paris officials admit they have not taken sufficient measures to prevent a catastrophe in the event the waters of the Seine invade the streets of the capital. They excuse this by pointing to the enormous cost of such precautions and add, moreover, that the river is state property and does not belong to the municipality.

ONE GIRL DEAD AND ANOTHER DYING, FIRE DESTROYS THEIR HOME

WICHITA FALLS, Jan. 3.—Wanda Marie Gideon, aged 12 years, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Gideon, was burned to death Wednesday morning when fire destroyed the Gideon home on the Weber lease in the northwest oil fields, five miles northwest of Burkburnett.

A sister, Zula Gideon, aged 17, was seriously burned and little hope is expressed for her recovery.

Two brothers and the parents are also patients in the hospital at Burkburnett suffering from painful burns and cuts. They will recover, it is reported.

The cause of the fire is unknown, but it is generally believed that it was a result of a defective flue. The body of the little girl was found in the ruins after the flames were extinguished.

CITY FARM PRISONERS GET INCENTIVE TO WORK

DALLAS, Jan. 3.—A new method of punishing prisoners at the city prison farm which harkens back to the time of the pilgrim fathers, is now in effect here.

Unruly inmates who heretofore have been given extra periods of service and other penalties are now tied to a post and left to stand there until they decide to work.

The plan was prescribed by Mayor Louis Blaylock and is proving effective, authorities at the farm said.

HERESY CHARGES AGAINST REV. LEE W. HEATON ARE QUASHED BY BISHOP MOORE

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NARCOTICS MAY BE BLAMED FOR NEW SCANDAL

Mabel Normand's Connection With Two Hollywood Tragedies Noted.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 3.—Narcotics, enemy of more than one member of the Hollywood moving picture colony, today entered the investigation of the shooting of Courtland S. Dines. The possession of drugs played a part in the tragedy of events which led Harris A. Greer, Mabel Normand's chauffeur, attempting to kill the wealthy oil man, it was admitted today by police.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 3.—The shooting of Courtland S. Dines by H. A. Greer, alias Joe Kelly, Mabel Normand's chauffeur, New Year's night, is somewhat similar in several ways to the murder of William Desmond Taylor, the moving picture director, in 1922.

The director was found with a bullet in his body, lying on the floor of his living room in South Alvarado street. Mabel had been there a few minutes before the time fixed by the authorities as the time of the murder.

Edna Purviance notified Mabel the next morning that Taylor was dead. Dines and Mabel have always been the best of friends.

It was testified that Mabel was drunk on the night of a New Year's party in 1921. Taylor was killed on Feb. 1, 1922.

Greer told police that Dines was trying to get Mabel drunk in his apartment New Year's night when he arrived to take his film actress employer home.

MELLON CHALLENGES CRITICS TO IMPROVE HIS TAX-LESS PLAN

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Secretary of the Treasury Mellon today challenged critics of his tax reduction program to produce a better one or accept his. The attack by Mellon was aimed directly at the farm bloc, which has proposed a compromise on the maximum surtax reduction by raising the figures from the 25 per cent recommended by Mellon to 37 per cent, in place of the present 50 per cent.

The tax plan drafted by Mellon is the administration measure, Mellon said today, and he believes that if it is not sound there is no reason for a compromise.

SLIPS AND FALLS WHILE COUPLING CARS. TAKEN TO RANGER HOSPITAL

RANGER, Jan. 3.—While coupling brakes on a train of cars on a spur of the Texas and Pacific railroad near the Tiffin Rock Crusher plant, Sam Stalter slipped and fell Wednesday and was badly bruised and cut up.

At the Ranger General hospital, where he was taken following the accident, it was said that Stalter's back was wrenched, his head cut and he had a number of bruises on his body. He will be able to leave the hospital in a few days, it was said.

FUNDERBURK TO ADDRESS COUNTY CONSTITUTIONAL CLUB MONDAY NIGHT

EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—Judge O. C. Funderburk, formerly assistant attorney general of Texas under Attorney General Lightfoot, will address the Eastland County Constitutional club at the city hall of Eastland, Jan. 7, at 7:30 p. m.

Judge Funderburk has served as a member of the state supreme court, being appointed to a special justiceship. He has also served on the bench at Palestine, Texas.

He is recognized as a forceful speaker.

New and Unexpected Wonders Revealed At Tutankhamen Tomb

LUXOR, Egypt, Jan. 3.—New and unexpected wonders were revealed today when Howard Carter, co-discoverer with Lord Carnarvon of the tomb of Tut-Aank-Hamen, opened the second shrine of the Pharaoh's mummy case and revealed a beautifully decorated inner shrine.

This second shrine will be removed and treated with preservatives before the third shrine is disturbed. No one knows how many more shrines, one inside the other, eventually will be disclosed.

PETIT JURORS CHOSEN AND MUST REPORT FOR DUTY ON NEXT MONDAY

EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—The following jurors have been selected to serve as petit jurors for the sixth week of the December term of the Ninety-first district court of Eastland county and are to appear at 10 a. m., Monday, Jan. 7.

J. C. Avery, Carbon; W. M. Armstrong, Eastland; A. H. Crosssett, Olden; Richard Gray, Okra; N. S. Kinnaird, Cisco; W. H. Collins, Carbon; C. C. Smith, Eastland; J. R. Tankersley, Eastland; T. L. Sanders, Nimrod; J. C. Caldwell, Cisco; A. R. Franklin, Eastland; W. D. Burgess, Olden; C. D. Fuller, Eastland; J. H. Goodgan, Nimrod; E. F. Wood, Gorman; J. G. Rodgers, Ranger; Arthur Short, Cisco; D. F. Brown, Cisco; W. E. Reed, Okra; J. E. Hopper, Gorman; Luther Brown, Cisco; P. W. Willis, Ranger; F. Long, Cisco; J. L. Pearcey, Gorman; W. L. Kennedy, Cisco; C. S. Guthrie, Eastland; W. J. Craig, Gorman; R. M. Martin, Cisco; W. T. Smith, Eastland; A. L. Reimer, Eastland; H. H. Herrington, Ranger; L. C. Foster, Gorman; Arthur Johnson, Strawn; J. E. Brown, Ranger; W. B. Hopper, Gorman; B. C. Stephens, Cisco; S. M. Poe, Carbon; J. L. Burleson, Gorman; A. A. Baker, Olden; C. L. Echols, Gorman; J. M. Chapman, Eastland; M. W. Sweden, Rising Star; T. J. Fuller, Gorman; I. C. Barry, Desdemona; E. A. Hogdon, Olden; A. C. Buden, Cisco; W. L. Lufkin, Eastland; W. E. Spencer, Cisco; D. E. Cogburn, Ranger; R. Boucher, Desdemona; H. F. Ferrall, Eastland; J. A. Shackelford, Ranger; T. H. Stratton, Ranger; M. W. Robins, Cisco; F. B. Blackburn, Cisco; T. E. Baxter, Ranger; W. C. Patterson, Cisco; George Rinear, Gorman; A. C. Stephens, Cisco; C. J. Williams, Gorman; J. W. Cowen, Gorman; R. Yancy, Eastland; R. P. Trout, Eastland; W. B. Nichols, Eastland; C. P. Whitten, Gorman; E. M. Curry, Pioneer; B. H. Lauderdale, Cisco; W. H. Jobe, Scranton; Glenn Holloman, Ranger; J. F. Williams, Desdemona; M. M. Kimble, Ranger; A. R. Bandy, Ranger; T. E. Edmonson, Rising Star; R. V. Meador, Desdemona; W. R. Gullahorn, Gorman.

BLANTON ALSO WANTS CAPITAL'S BOOZE SYNDICATE PROBED

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CARL BARNES POST WORKING FOR PICTURE "FLASHES OF ACTION"

RANGER, Jan. 3.—Dr. L. C. G. Buchanan was made post service officer of Carl Barnes post, American legion, last night at a meeting of the post. This is an important office, as the occupant of it handles claims of ex-service men and deals directly with the veterans' bureau.

Ex-service men passing through the city and in need of help will get assistance from a fund established by passing the hat at the meeting. The initial sum of \$18 was raised last night.

Tickets to sell for the big legion picture, "Flashes of Action," at the Liberty theatre, Jan. 9 and 10, were distributed. There will be a matinee for school children of the ward and high school age on the afternoon of Jan. 9, at which time admittance will be for a sum less the regular price for those over 12 years of age. The high school classes will be dismissed earlier so the pupils may attend.

The financial success of the show will determine how soon the legion can make a first payment on the proposed new home of the legion in Ranger, J. A. Shaw, post adjutant, said today.

OFFICERS DIFFER ON THE IDENTITY OF ED. LOCKHART, OUTLAW

PAWHUSKA, Okla., Jan. 3.—Reports that Ed Lockhart, notorious outlaw and successor to Al Spencer, was held in county jail at Shidler, near here, were denied today by Chief of Police Wilkerson.

The man held at Shidler as Lockhart was arrested on a charge of stealing automobile accessories. Henry Majors, chief of police at Shidler, an oil town, said that the prisoner arrested at Lyman Monday was the fugitive Lockhart. The prisoner is being held for further investigation.

COMPTROLLER OF CURRENCY CALLS FOR BANK STATEMENT

WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—The comptroller of currency today issued a call for a statement of the condition of all national banks at the close of business Dec. 31, 1923.

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Senator Robinson, Democratic leader, assured the progressives that enough Democrats would be present to prevent the election of Senator Cummins, candidate of the administration Republicans for the committee chairmanship. The Democrats for the most part, however, are anxious to set aside the fight over the chairmanship of the committee and move to other business if no solution can be reached early. LaFollette's idea is to stand behind Howell, Nebraska, Republican, or Couzens, Michigan, Republican, and if neither can be elected to throw the progressives' strength to Smith, Democrat.

STUDENTS MAKING GEOLOGICAL MAP OF BLANCO COUNTY

AUSTIN, Jan. 3.—Under the supervision of Dr. H. P. Bybee, associate professor of geology at the University of Texas here, advanced geology students of the school are making a geological map of Blanco county.

Work is being done at present just north of the Peraldenes river. The students are exploring the country and as they study the geography of the county they also take note of the geology.

The map will be ready for publication some time next year. The last geological map of Blanco county was made in 1884.

Despite the fact that upwards of 135,000 electric ranges were in use throughout the country last year, they consumed considerably less than one-half of one per cent of the electricity produced by all the generating stations serving the nation's homes.

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BIBLE THOUGHT.

SIN SEPARATES:—Your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.—Isaiah 59: 2.

TOMORROW IS NOT YOURS.

Tomorrow is not yours. The future does not belong to you. Man has the crumbling moment in which to dream or do and the record of a year is only the aggregate of all of them.

There is none worthy of the name of man who does not wish to make a better record in the year whose gateway has just been passed than he did in the one which ended when the clock struck 12.

No woman but wishes to achieve more; in the majority of instances not in her own person—but in that of a husband or one who may become her husband, or of a son or a brother or a father.

Business success may be the goal in view, but whether the gain sought be material advantage, or if it be moral growth or spiritual enrichment—whether it be the gathering together in barns or laying up in heaven—the task of today must be done today; it cannot be done tomorrow.

Opportunity is of the moment, not of the future; it is the duty immediately at hand no matter how humble. Opportunity is not the mysterious opening of a hitherto concealed door, but is the thing that needs to be done now, the doing of which is progress.

More men fail of success because of neglect of the duty which confronts them than for any other reason. The task is esteemed beneath their talent; too mean with which to soil the hands; or the good to come from it is not deemed sufficient recompense for the effort. Thus one opportunity after another is neglected.

Dreams of large tasks with larger rewards take the place of strengthening performance, and when the record of another year is made up it is as unsubstantial as the preceding one—or less so, for as purpose weakens from day to day from lack of exercise, so it does from year to year.

The man who would crown his life with success must strive earnestly. Each day must be the epitome of a life of effort, and each hour and moment the epitome of the day. He can build for the future only with today's material. He cannot use it when it has become yesterday's for then it will have departed from him. He must "act, act in the living present." There is no other time for it.

The man who would do better in the coming year than in the last one must begin today and do what is before him as though it were the last work of his life and he had but this day in which to do it. He must do his best with it, for only by doing each task well is perfection reached or approximated. If each day's work is done in this way and in this spirit the record of the year will be satisfying—perhaps better than satisfying, an incentive to higher things in the one to follow.

The Bok peace award has been made. The lucky name will be announced Jan. 7, and \$50,000 paid. Another \$50,000 will be paid if the plan receives popular approval. Even though it doesn't stop wars, it's better than no plan at all, and the price is little enough.

POSTAL SAVINGS PAYMENTS NOW COME QUARTERLY

Changes in the schedule of interest payments on postal savings certificates, which will work to the advantage of investors, became effective Jan. 1.

The new schedule provides for the payment of interest quarterly, instead of annually, on redeemed certificates. The annual interest rate, 2 per cent, remains unchanged.

In the past, investors in this form of government securities could redeem their certificates at any time, but no interest was payable until the certificate had been outstanding for a full year. The new schedule provides for payment of one-fourth of the annual interest after three months, one-half after six months, and three-fourths after nine months.

AERIAL CIRCUS THRILLING FOR THE SPECTATORS

Eastland Elks Planning Great Exhibit Next Sunday for Charity's Sake.

EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—Arrangements are being concluded for the Elks aerial exhibition next Sunday at a field outside of but convenient to Eastland, where the nationally known performers connected with the Gates Flying circus will put on their death-defying program. The four men who have made the Gates organization famous were expected to arrive today from Abilene, where they have been spending several days since their exhibition there. It is difficult to class any one of these ahead of the others, for each has acts of his own that is a real hair-raising thriller, but perhaps the best known is "Diavalo," who transfers from the upper wing of an airplane to the dangling rope ladder suspended from an airplane flown above.

To accomplish this feat, the pilot of the lower plane must fly along with Diavalo standing on the upper wing tip, and the pilot of the upper plane flies along with a rope ladder suspended from the landing gear. The pilot of the upper plane must place the end of the ladder exactly and just within reach of Diavalo. Should he drop the ladder too low the planes would become entangled and a double crash would result in triple casualty. Should the upper plane get too low, it would cut the acrobat in two with its propeller and should it get too far away the change could not be made. The planes must also get together at practically the same speed. When the ladder is placed in the proper position, the acrobat swings off the lower plane onto the rope ladder and climbs up into the other airplane after performing acrobatics at the end of the ladder.

"Upside-Down" Pangburn is recognized as one of the greatest pilots in the country. He would not be content with looping the loop and such exhibitions, or even with wing walking and aerial acrobatics, but kept maneuvering with his plane until he was able to fly it upside down. He is said to be the only acrobat in America who is able to accomplish this feat.

Tommie Thompson and Geraldson

NOTICE

Everyone who got the wrong coat or hat at Elks' Dance Monday please see Mr. Cummings at Gholson hotel.



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do acrobatic stunts while the planes are flying high in air that are said to exceed anything ever attempted in a tent circus, and they are done with no net beneath to catch them if they fall.

It is expected the aerial exhibition next Sunday will be begun about 3 o'clock. The highway leading to the flying field will be patrolled by Eastland Elks, to direct those wishing to see the exhibition how to get there. Proceeds from the circus will be devoted to the charity work of the Elks.

MID-TERM EXAMINATIONS ONLY TWO WEEKS AHEAD

RANGER, Jan. 3.—With the holidays put back of them, pupils in the ward schools and in the high school of Ranger are digging into their books in preparation for the mid-term examinations, which are only two weeks away. The mid-term ends Jan. 18.

The high school examinations will be on Jan. 17 and 18. J. W. Overall, principal of the high school, said today. The grade school examinations will come on parts of three days, Jan. 16, 17 and 18. Attendance at the ward and high schools was good for the first day after the vacation term. E. O. McNew, superintendent of schools, said, after receiving reports from the principals. In only one instance was the attendance off to any extent. A primary grade at the Cooper school was reported to have six less pupils present Wednesday than when the school closed on Dec. 21.

HOSPITAL NOTES

RANGER, Jan. 3.—Taken critically ill while in Ranger visiting her mother, Mrs. Hottel, a Mrs. Pfeifer, of Ohio, was reported doing nicely today at the Ranger General hospital, where she was taken for medical treatment.

Mrs. P. B. Woods was reported to be quite ill at the hospital early this afternoon.

Mrs. Charles Holman is in a critical condition.

Mrs. Fred Hughes was said to be improving following an operation.

Mrs. G. J. Boyd of this city was discharged from the hospital Wednesday, entirely recovered, after several weeks confinement.

Wade Swift, city sanitary officer, was able to leave the hospital today after several days confinement for medical treatment.

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FRIDAY EVENTS.

Mrs. Frank Reames hostess at 1:30 o'clock to Twentieth Century club, cottage 11, Prairie camp.

Central Ward Parent-Teacher club meets at 4 o'clock in high school.

CLEVELAND HOME HAS TURKEY DINNER PARTY.

A 6 o'clock family turkey dinner was served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cleveland of Tiffin Sunday night. Those present: Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Nentwig and family, Mrs. F. G. Yonker and family, Mrs. N. J. Navokovich, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Giller and Mrs. Tate.

RANGER PERSONALS

Mrs. P. M. Padon and little daughter are visiting relatives in Nacogdoches.

Miss Hortense Champion returned today to St. Mary's school, Dallas.

Misses Helen Stafford, Mary McKee, Gillian Buchanan and Eleanor Norton left this afternoon for Denton and Fort Worth and their respective colleges.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Trower have returned from a short honeymoon trip, following their wedding last week, and they will live at the Reavis apartments until they move into their new home.

President Coolidge asserts that our part in the World war cost the nation \$40,000,000,000. We have paid \$18,000,000,000, leaving \$22,000,000,000 outstanding. Against this debt we have foreign notes of hand for about \$11,000,000,000 including the Great Britain settlement. If this were all paid or secured, it would leave us with \$10,000,000,000 more debt than when the war started.

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SOUTHERN LITERARY MAGAZINE CHANGES OWNERS

NASHVILLE, Jan. 3.—The Southern Literary Magazine of Atlanta has been purchased by Jos. H. Lackey, for many years connected with the Nashville Banner and Memphis News-Scimitar, and will be moved to Nashville where it will be published hereafter as the Southern Magazine.

The Southern Literary Magazine was founded by Henry E. Harman, publisher and writer of Atlanta. It is announced that the magazine, under its new management, will be enlarged and given a wider editorial scope.

It is stated that there is no other general magazine of this type published in the South. "The magazine will be representative and, while it will not be narrow or prejudiced, will be distinctly Southern in tone and treatment," says the announcement.

Among the departments and features planned are a section of "Prominent Southerners"; fiction, illustrated feature stories, book reviews, review of the Southern press, verse, wit and humor, current opinion and a department devoted to Southern development.

It is stated that an editorial advisory board, composed of some of the prominent literary men and women of the South, will be created to give the magazine general literary direction.

The first issue in its new home will be off the press about Feb. 25.

ARRIVALS AT THE GHOLSON, RANGER.

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GIB CALLOWAY GOES TO MAKE HOME IN DALLAS

EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—Attorney Gib Calloway and family left Jan. 1 for Dallas where Mr. Calloway will engage in the practice of his profession, that of the law.

Mr. Calloway and his family came to Eastland from Commerce in June, 1922. He formed a law partnership with Allen D. Dabney and the firm was very successful and built up a splendid business. He was offered a proposition in Dallas to form a partnership with T. C. Short of that city and came to the conclusion that it offered greater opportunities, hence his decision to go there.

Judge Calloway was a good citizen and he and his wife made many warm friends during their residence here and it is with regret that Eastland people see them leave. Their home in Dallas will be at 927 West Tenth street, Oak Cliff.

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COUNTRY CORRESPONDENCE

Alameda

ALAMEDA, Dec. 29.—Gordan Brady and sister, Miss Mary, of Haskell, were recent guest at the C. M. Prestidge home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Williams spent the day Tuesday with Mrs. Lee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Watkins.

Messrs. Gordan Brady and Carroll Minchew and Miss Mary Brady attended Sunday school here Sunday.

Mrs. Joe Clack and baby of Mexia are visiting Mrs. Clack's parents here.

We understand that Will Underwood and family are moving to Ranger where Mr. Underwood will engage in business.

The entertainment at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Prestidge Wednesday night was well attended and all report a joyous time.

Warford Jones of Desdemona was visiting in this community this week.

Gorman

GORMAN, Dec. 29.—Miss Pearl Mayo was home this week from Fort Worth where she is attending school.

Howard Dabney, who is attending school at San Marcos, was at home this week.

Frank Wyatt and family of Abilene were recent visitors to Gorman friends.

Walter Anrus and family are moving to Cisco where Mr. Anrus has accepted a position with a wholesale grocery concern.

M. H. Smith and wife of Dallas were Gorman visitors this week.

Mrs. T. L. Gates spent the Christmas holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Homer Brelsford, in Eastland.

C. V. Bouldin of Lamesa is here tearing down some houses which he will move to Lamesa.

Henry Neil and family of Loraine, Texas, were visitors in Gorman this week.

Grandview

GRANDVIEW, Dec. 29.—Marvin Jones of Ralls, Texas, is visiting relatives in this community.

Miss Estelle Goodwin is home from Canyon where she has been attending school.

J. T. Brightwell and wife, H. D. Rider and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Oda Brightwell and children, were dinner guests Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Blair.

Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Westmoreland of Lubbock were here for the Christmas holidays.

Miss Hollis Clack and Esther Pestidge are home from Mexia where they have been in school.

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Mitchell

MITCHELL, Dec. 28.—Misses Iva, Frankie and Leonard Lang of Loraine, Texas, spent the holidays here. Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Horn spent Christmas in Cisco.

Jack Brandon and wife of Putnam spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Brandon's mother, Mrs. John Austin.

Mrs. J. J. Livingston had as her dinner guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Brandon, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Parks, Miss Cynthia Parks, Miss Iva Land and Don and Ervin Chandler.

G. L. McCulloch and family, who have been living near Colorado City, have moved back to this community.

The singing school has been a success. We gave a pie supper recently which netted \$50 which was given to the teacher.

Misses Eulala and Letha Habelwood spent the holidays here with homefolks. They were hosts to a crowd of young folks Sunday. After dinner the crowd went kodaking and after tiring of this a camp fire was made and marshmallows and wienies were roasted. When the time arrived for the guests to depart they went their way rejoicing over the splendid time they had had.

Lone Star

LONE STAR, Dec. 28.—The Lone Star school entertained with a nice program and a Christmas tree last Friday. School was dismissed until Dec. 31.

Misses Wuna and Bernice Everton of Kokomo were Sunday guests of Miss Bessie Pittman.

Tom Rogers and family of Lamesa are here on a visit.

J. P. Smith of Lamesa was a recent visitor here to his brothers, G. L. and D. P. Smith.

Master Marion Pittman is visiting his grandmother at DeLeon.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Smith visited Mr. Smith's brother near Rucker this week.

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THURSDAY EVENTS.

Misses Wilda and Wanda Drago in violin and piano recital, city hall auditorium, 8 p. m. Presented under auspices Missionary society of Methodist church and Rev. Mr. Munger, pastor of church.

FRIDAY EVENTS.

Music Club of Eastland meets 3 p. m. with Mrs. Rivers R. Mizell club hostess. Lessons 12-13. Leader Mrs. J. N. Wooten.

Rabekah lodge holds annual election of officers 7:30 p. m. Installation follows. Mrs. Mae Thomas, noble grand.

THE CALLAWAYS HAVE MANY FRIENDS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Gib Callaway moved to Dallas this week, where they will locate permanently. Mr. Callaway has formed a partnership with Attorney Short of that city who has practiced law in Dallas about seven years.

The friends of the Callaways in Eastland sincerely regret their departure. They occupied their home here, which they purchased upon moving to Eastland a few months ago. Mr. Callaway was in partnership with Allen D. Dabney of this city.

Mrs. Callaway was prominent in social and club life, and was a member of several clubs.

MRS. CATON HOSTESS TO WOMEN'S AUXILIARY.

Mrs. J. H. Caton was hostess yesterday afternoon at her residence to the Women's auxiliary of the Eastland City Medical association. "Forty-two" was the diversion and tables were occupied by Mmes. W. S. Poe, R. C. Ferguson, S. C. Richardson, W. E. Chaney, the hostess and the president of the organization, Mrs. E. Roy Townsend and guests, Mmes. J. A. Caton and Nunn.

The ladies voted to send a bouquet of flowers to the wife of Dr. Isbell, who is sick and in the hospital in Fort Worth. The tables were centered with bowls of violets, for the 5 o'clock tea, served by hostess, of pressed chicken on lettuce with mayonnaise topping, potato flakes, pear salad, sandwiches, stuffed dates, cake and coffee. A most delightful afternoon was spent.

The club adjourned to meet the first Wednesday in February with Mrs. W. E. Chaney.

INFORMAL CARDS FOR MRS. WIKIDAL.

Mrs. John D. McRae entertained with two tables for auction very informally Wednesday afternoon, honoring Mrs. Wikidal of Hutchinson, Kan., the house guest of Mrs. Rivers R. Mizell. Favor for high score, three hand-embroidered tea towels, was awarded Mrs. Mizell. Mrs. Wikidal was presented as guest favor a hand-embroidered organdie tea apron.

Five o'clock Russian tea was served with sandwiches, pickles, celery tips, and potato flakes, to: Mmes. O. C. Funderburk, Oscar Chastain, A. H. Johnson, B. B. Whittington, Allen D. Dabney, J. Floyd Owens, Rivers R. Mizell, and Mrs. Wikidal.

PROGRAM FOR MUSIC CLUB AT MEETING TOMORROW.

The study for the Music club tomorrow will be lessons 12 and 13, led by Mrs. J. N. Wooten.

The phases of study will be illustrated by piano and voice numbers of composers, Francis Scott Key, Paderewski, Carrie Jacobs Bond, Saint Saens, and Navin. Mrs. Rivers R. Mizell will be club hostess; hour 3 p. m. This is first meeting of the club since Dec. 1, and it is urged that there be a full attendance of members.

MRS. ARNOLD HOSTESS TO BETHANY CLASS.

The Bethany class enjoyed a delightful afternoon with Mrs. Arnold yesterday, which was opened with prayer followed by Bible reading by Mrs. W. C. Kunze, the teacher of the class, and business session conducted by the president, Mrs. Frank G. Hoffman.

The society arranged for gifts of fruit to several ailing people, and also set the date for the next meeting four weeks hence, when Mrs. Robert Pearson will be hostess. Three new members were added to the roll, Mmes. Briggs, Fletcher and Homer Slicker. The rooms were fragrant with roses for the afternoon. Diversion was a cartoon contest, in which the guests were required to draw pictures of "Maggie and Jiggs" on a blackboard, the favor, a little statue of Maggie and Jiggs' daughter, going to Mrs. Pearson, for the cleverest sketch.

In addition to the new members those present were Mmes. E. A. Bills, L. C. Brown, W. E. Stalter, W. A. Hart, H. T. Johnson, Robert Pearson, W. C. Kunze, and Frank G. Hoffman. Mrs. Owens was a guest of the afternoon. The hostess served a delicious fruit salad course with buttered toast, wafers, and coffee with whipped cream.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

D. K. Scott of the Cisco end of the law firm of Scott, Brelsford, Funderburk & Ferrell, was an Eastland visitor yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Paul Martin will probably not leave Eastland for a

day or two on account of the severe cold and sore throat from which Mrs. Martin is suffering.

R. F. (Bob) Gilman of Cisco, independent oil operator in the fields of north Brown county, near Cross Cut, was an Eastland visitor yesterday on legal business.

R. W. H. Kennon, until recently manager of the Cisco Daily News, was calling on Eastland friends Wednesday.

John P. West of the Prairie, scout for Stephens and Palo Pinto counties, with headquarters at Breckenridge, was a visitor at the Eastland office yesterday.

Neither the Junior nor Juvenile Music clubs will meet Saturday of this week, on account of school being held on that day, the director of the clubs, Miss Anna Barbara Nunn, announces.

EASTLAND PERSONALS.

J. S. Davis, editor of the Carbon Messenger, was a business visitor in the city Wednesday.

Editor Kennon was here from Cisco Wednesday.

Bob Little, who has been connected with a local paper here for some time, has gone to Cisco where he has a position as advertising manager on the Cisco Daily News.

M. J. Smith, who recently moved from Eastland to California, states in a letter to friends here that he is well pleased with the country where he is located.

Walter Gilbert of Carbon was here on business Wednesday.

Judge Joe F. Orr has returned from Tennessee where he spent the holidays with his father.

Dr. J. E. Butler of Dallas was here yesterday en route to Carbon where he went on business.

Senator Joe Burkett was a Cisco business visitor yesterday afternoon.

Miss Gladys Webb, who is attending Texas Christian university at Fort Worth, spent the Christmas holidays here with relatives and friends.

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OSCAR CHASTAIN TO SEEK BENCH OF DISTRICT COURT

EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—Oscar Chastain of this city will be a candidate for judge of the Eighty-eighth judicial district, according to announcements of his friends here and at other places in the county. He will make the race subject to the action of the Democratic primaries.

Mr. Chastain is one of the "old-timers" in Eastland county and is well and favorably known. While he has had license to practice law for 20 or more years, he has only been actively engaged in the profession about six or seven years. He was, until recently associated with Frank Judkins in the practice of law here but that partnership has been dissolved by mutual consent.

MRS. KARKLITS DIES AT HER HOME IN CISCO

CISCO, Jan. 3.—Mrs. J. A. Karklits, 63, formerly of Fort Worth, but now of Cisco, died Tuesday night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. F. Walker. Decedent is survived by her daughter here and four sons and a husband who reside in Fort Worth.

Mrs. Karklits was an old-time resident of Cisco. Interment was in the Cisco cemetery.

Community Chest Will Pay Cost of Eastland Charity

EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—The community chest drive resulted in getting subscriptions to the amount of \$6,646.15. While this is not what was wanted by the committee, yet under circumstances that have arisen, that have reduced the amount needed for the budget, this sum, carefully handled, will do the work necessary. A statement says:

"The committees from General Knox down, largely worked faithfully, and the citizens, to a great extent, responded well. Eastland is to be commended upon being able to put over such an effort, and it shows a right spirit. According to the agreement, there will be no drives for charity during this year, as all needy cases will be taken care of by the executive committee of which W. H. Sewell is chairman. While this committee is anxious to help everyone who really needs assistance, yet careful investigation will be made before the funds are spent. All checks are countersigned by two men, and a strict account will be rendered at the close of the year. The secretary states that the books are open to anyone interested.

"The executive committee is very anxious to reach all worthy people who are in need, so if any citizen knows of such a case, please notify the proper parties, and the matter will be looked into immediately.

"Let the business men, and others, from here on, refer all solicitors, beggars, etc., to the community chest. Don't contribute to the casual solicitor or beggar, is the best advice for 1924."

unpaid, save and except the interest for two years and the further sum of \$50 paid on the first of said notes.

That said notes were assigned to plaintiff herein who is now the legal owner and holder of same.

Wherefore, plaintiffs pray that upon final hearing hereof, he have judgment against defendants for the amount of his notes, principal, interest and attorneys' fees, as in said notes stipulated, for his costs, and interest as alleged; that the defendants have resisted plaintiffs' entry upon said lands and are denying the plaintiffs' rights to said minerals and the right of access to said premises.

Further alleging that oil and gas in great quantities have been discovered and same are now being discovered and produced from said lands in the vicinity of the land above described, the plaintiffs aver that their rights are likely to be depreciated and possibly destroyed if they are denied the access to said land, the fugitive nature of oil and gas being a well known and established fact; that the oil and gas owned by plaintiffs will be drawn away due to the close proximity of wells on other land, and plaintiffs will be irreparably damaged.

Wherefore, plaintiffs pray that that they have judgment removing said cloud from their title to the property herein described; and that defendants, and each of them, be enjoined perpetually from in any manner resisting and contesting plaintiffs' right of entry upon and their use of said premises in the exercise of the rights herein alleged; for the costs incurred in this behalf and for general and special relief as in law and in equity they may be justly entitled to receive.

Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Eastland, Texas, this 14th day of December, A. D., 1923.

(seal) ROY NUNNALLY, Clerk, District Courts, Eastland County.

By WILBOURNE B. COLLIE, Deputy.
Dec. 21-28-Jan. 4-11.

No. 10,585.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION. THE STATE OF TEXAS.

To the Sheriff of any Constable of Eastland County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon B. D. Stansell and Caroline Stansell, Mollie Stansell Robnett, et vir., W. F. Robnett, W. A. Stansell, et ux., Mary Stansell, Lizzie Stansell Fenlay, Ervin Fenlay, Ida Fenlay, Velma Fenlay, Lillie Stansell Carmichael, et vir., L. M. Carmichael, Ida Stansell Bacon, et vir., J. R. Bacon, Sallie Stansell Shields, et vir., T. L. Shields, J. C. Stansell, Clementine R. Stansell, Mabel Stansell Boyle, et vir., John J. Boyle, Chas. Barron Stansell, Wilfred Emmett Stansell, Harold Leroy Stansell, Henrietta Mabel Stansell, Emmett D. Stansell, W. E. Payne, Powhatan Carter and J. J. Harper, and the unknown heirs of B. D. Stansell and Caroline Stansell, Mollie Stansell Robnett and husband, W. F. Robnett, W. A. Stansell and wife, Mary Stansell, Hettie Stansell Thurman and husband, J. C. Thurman, Lizzie S. Fenlay, Ervin Fenlay, Ida Fenlay and Velma Fenlay, minors, Lillie Stansell Carmichael and husband, L. M. Carmichael, Ida Stansell Bacon and husband, J. R. Bacon, Sallie Stansell Shields and husband, T. L. Shields, J. E. Stansell, J. C. Stansell, Clementine R. Stansell and the unknown heirs of B. D. Stansell and Caroline Stansell, Mollie Stansell Robnett and husband, John J. Boyle, Mable Stansell Boyle, guardian of Charles Barron Stansell, Wilfred Emmett Stansell, Harold Leroy Stansell and Henrietta Mabel Stansell, and Emmett D. Stansell and the unknown heirs of Emmett D. Stansell, W. H. Mayhew, J. C. Mayhew, W. E. Payne, Powhatan Carter and J. J. Harper are defendants.

For cause of action plaintiffs allege that they are the owners of all the oil, gas, coal and other minerals and all mines and minerals in, under and upon the following described tract of land, situated in Eastland County, Texas, to-wit:

The S. W. quarter (S. W. ¼) of Sec. 43, Block 3, H. & T. C. Ry. Co. Survey of Lands.

That plaintiffs have the right and perpetual easement to go upon said land above described and to prospect for and develop said oil, gas and other minerals and to produce and remove the same from said lands; that the defendants claim certain rights as the owner of said land

above described. The plaintiffs allege that said defendants have not the title thereto nor any right of any kind in and to said minerals but the same are owned by plaintiffs.

The plaintiffs allege that said defendants claim the surface rights to said land and asserting possession thereof by virtue of the claim of ownership to said surface and denying plaintiffs' ownership of the mineral rights as alleged; that the defendants have resisted plaintiffs' entry upon said lands and are denying the plaintiffs' rights to said minerals and the right of access to said premises.

Further alleging that oil and gas in great quantities have been discovered and same are now being discovered and produced from said lands in the vicinity of the land above described, the plaintiffs aver that their rights are likely to be depreciated and possibly destroyed if they are denied the access to said land, the fugitive nature of oil and gas being a well known and established fact; that the oil and gas owned by plaintiffs will be drawn away due to the close proximity of wells on other land, and plaintiffs will be irreparably damaged.

Wherefore, plaintiffs pray that that they have judgment removing said cloud from their title to the property herein described; and that defendants, and each of them, be enjoined perpetually from in any manner resisting and contesting plaintiffs' right of entry upon and their use of said premises in the exercise of the rights herein alleged; for the costs incurred in this behalf and for general and special relief as in law and in equity they may be justly entitled to receive.

Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Eastland, Texas, this 17th day of December, A. D., 1923.

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Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Eastland, Texas, this 19th day of December, A. D., 1923.

(seal) ROY NUNNALLY, Clerk, District Courts, Eastland County.

By WILBOURNE B. COLLIE, Deputy.
Dec. 21, 28 and Jan. 4, 11.

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By WILBOURNE B. COLLIE, Deputy.
Dec. 21-28-Jan. 4-11.

No. 10,601.

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the sheriff or any constable of Eastland county, greetings:

You are hereby commanded to summon C. S. Westheimer by making publication once in each week for four consecutive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in some newspaper published in your county and 91st Judicial District, to appear at the next regular term of the 91st District Court of Eastland County, to be held at the courthouse thereof, in Eastland, on the first Monday in February, A. D., 1924, the same being the 4th day of February, A. D., 1924, then and there to answer a petition filed in said Court on the 13th day of December, A. D., 1923, in a suit, numbered on the docket of said Court as No. 10,585, wherein Associated Oil Company, a corporation, is plaintiff, and B. D. Stansell and Caroline Stansell, Mollie Stansell Robnett and husband, W. F. Robnett, W. A. Stansell and wife, Mary Stansell, Hettie Stansell Thurman and husband, J. C. Thurman, Lizzie S. Fenlay, Ervin Fenlay, Ida Fenlay and Velma Fenlay, minors, Lillie Stansell Carmichael and husband, L. M. Carmichael, Ida Stansell Bacon and husband, J. R. Bacon, Sallie Stansell Shields and husband, T. L. Shields, J. E. Stansell, J. C. Stansell, Clementine R. Stansell and the unknown heirs of B. D. Stansell and Caroline Stansell, Mollie Stansell Robnett and husband, John J. Boyle, Mable Stansell Boyle, guardian of Charles Barron Stansell, Wilfred Emmett Stansell, Harold Leroy Stansell and Henrietta Mabel Stansell, and Emmett D. Stansell and the unknown heirs of Emmett D. Stansell, W. H. Mayhew, J. C. Mayhew, W. E. Payne, Powhatan Carter and J. J. Harper are defendants.

By reason of the premises, plaintiff prays that he be granted his divorce and that the marriage relation heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant be, in all things, terminated, and for general and special relief, as in law and in equity he may be justly entitled to receive.

Herein fail not, and have before said Court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at office in Eastland, Texas, this 19th day of December, A. D., 1923.

(seal) ROY NUNNALLY, Clerk, District Courts, Eastland County.

By WILBOURNE B. COLLIE, Deputy.
Dec. 21, 28 and Jan. 4, 11.

21—LEGAL NOTICES

No. 10,439
THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the sheriff or any constable of Eastland county, greeting:

You are hereby commanded to summon Ed A. Noell, Petroleum Producers association, Herbert Roach, and Small Investors' Royalty company, a corporation, 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 and the Ninety-first judicial district, to appear at the next regular term of the Ninety-first district court of Eastland county, to be held at the courthouse thereof, in Eastland, on the first Monday in February, A. D., 1924, the same being the 4th day of February, A. D., 1924, then and there to answer plaintiffs' first amended original petition filed in said court on the 22nd day of December, A. D., 1923, in a suit numbered on the docket of said court as No. 10,439, wherein A. C. Simmons and J. E. Lewis are plaintiffs and R. E. Sweeney, N. D. Gallagher, O. G. Lawson and Mina Robinson a feme sole, W. O. Bucy, trustee, Ed A. Noell, Small Investors' Royalty company, a corporation, Petroleum Producers association and Herbert Roach are defendants, and defendants are the sole owners of the working interest or leasehold interest under an oil and gas lease on Block 22, in the town of Pioneer, Eastland county, Texas, and are the sole owners of the personal property used in connection with the oil and gas well now located on said block, and that the value of said properties are depreciating for the reason that no one is operating the

property and that there is danger of losing said personal property.

That heretofore on the 23rd day of October, 1923, this court appointed Joe F. Orr as receiver of said properties and that such receivership should be, in all things, continued until the properties are properly disposed of.

Wherefore, plaintiffs pray that said appointment of said receiver be in all things confirmed and continued and that said receiver be empowered to take charge of all of said property and to manage, control and operate the same, and to sell and dispose of all said properties, to pay the costs of said receivership and the indebtedness against said properties, and to divide the proceeds of any surplus for which said properties might sell above said costs and in indebtedness, among the plaintiffs and defendants in such proportion as their several interests bear to the entire said leasehold interests, to return and deliver to the rightful owners such property as may belong to any of the parties to this suit or to others who have furnished same as a loan, and to pay all rentals due, and plaintiffs pray for final judgment for their said account and for such other and further relief as they may be entitled to receive.

Herein fail not, and have before said court, at its aforesaid next regular term, this writ with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said court, at office in Eastland, this the 22nd day of December, A. D., 1923.

ROY NUNNALLY, Clerk, District Court, Eastland County, Texas.
By W. B. COLLIE, Deputy.
Dec. 23 and Jan. 4, 11, 18.

WANT ADS

0—LODGE NOTICES.

Muster service, Ranger Canton No. 22, Friday evening, Jan. 4. Large class to be initiated. Banquet following degree work. Chevaliers, bring your families.
R. H. CUNNINGHAM, Captain.

Stated convention of Ranger Lodge Knights of Pythias tonight at 7:30 p. m. Visitors welcome.
R. ALTHAUSEN, C. C.
J. B. HEISTER, K. R. S.

11—APARTMENTS FOR RENT.

CARTER Apartments, 325 Elm. Phone 565-J, Ranger.
2, 3 AND 4-ROOM apartments for rent. C. E. Maddocks & Co., Ranger.
TEAL Apartments—423 West Main. Modern conveniences, Ranger.
TREMONT Apartments—311 Walnut st. Phone 458, Ranger.

12—WANTED TO BUY.

WE BUY second-hand furniture. Ranger Furniture Exchange, 123 N. Rusk st., phone 242.

14—REAL ESTATE.

FOR LEASE—100-acre ranch, one and one-half miles south of Ranger; has good house. John Ames, Ranger.

15—HOUSES FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—3-room house, with garage and two lots, one block off highway. Inquire Mrs. C. F. McClellan, 614 So. Rusk st., Ranger.

16—AUTOMOBILES

WHY PUT new parts in old cars? "We tear 'em up and sell the pieces." Ranger Auto Wrecking Co., 422-24 North Rusk st., Ranger.

18—WANTED—Miscellaneous

FURNITURE WANTED—Highest cash price. New and Second Hand Store. 121 No. Austin. Phone 276.
WANTED—Second-hand furniture, Wright Furniture Co., 207 S. Rusk st. Phone 154, Ranger.
SECOND-HAND furniture bought and sold at the right prices. Main Street Second-Hand Store, Marston Bldg., Ranger.

22—POULTRY AND PET STOCK.

FOR SALE—400 white leghorn yearling hens and pullets; \$1 each; also fresh yard eggs. Poultry Plant corner Corbin and Garrett sts., Ranger. D. W. Maloor, mgr.

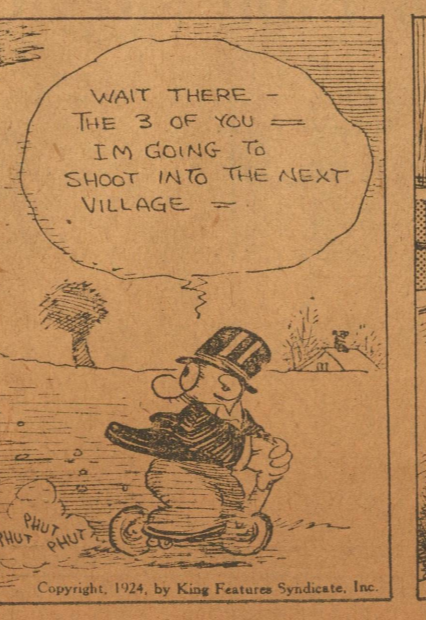
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Text of Speech Delivered by Senator Joe Burkett, Candidate for Governor at Llano, Texas, Thursday, January 3rd, 1924

(RESOLUTION AND PLEDGE:
This campaign shall be one of no regrets, so far as I am concerned. If I win, I shall be grateful; if I lose, there shall be no bitterness in my soul. It shall be one of principles, not one about persons or opponents. No bitter denunciation shall fall from my lips, and none shall be indulged in by my friends if I can prevent it. It is for the people to decide who shall serve them, and when they have so decided, I shall bow to their mandate without complaint.)

Voters and Citizens of Texas:

In becoming a candidate for the high office of Governor, I have done so not unmindful that such candidacy carries with it not only many personal hardships and sacrifices, but also that the successful prosecution of such carries with it the shouldering of immense and burdensome responsibilities. A man, to be Governor of Texas, should be one that has seen much of and has coped with the realities of life such as the great majority of our people experience in their every-day battle along life's pathway. One who has come up through hardships and adversity, who has rubbed elbows with our great ordinary citizenship, who has dealt with the affairs of private life, the affairs of county government, judicial and legal matters, as well as State affairs, is, to my mind, more fully equipped for the responsible position of guiding the destinies of our State than one less experienced. Believing these facts, I shall recount to you briefly my life, education and official experience.

On the 19th day of October, 1885, I was born in a two-room cabin on a farm in this county, near the little village of Lone Grove, and I have come to the county of my nativity to open my campaign for Governor. At an early age I removed with my parents to Goldthwaite, in Mills County, and from there to Robert Lee in Coke County. Then, in 1892, to Eastland County and from there to Callahan County in 1899. After I became of school age, I attended the common country schools from three to five months in the year, and in 1905 succeeded in obtaining a certificate to teach school. I attended business colleges in Fort Worth and Tyler in 1906, and taught school in Nolan County in the winter of 1907. Early in 1907 I was married, ran a newspaper in Callahan County in 1907 and 1908, removing in the fall to Eastland county to teach school, teaching two sessions and was elected district clerk of that county in 1910. I served four years as district clerk and was admitted to the bar in 1912, after seven years' study of law at home while working on the farm, running a newspaper, teaching school and as district clerk. In 1914 I was elected county judge of Eastland County over three worthy opponents. In 1916, before I was 31, I was nominated district judge of the Forty-second judicial district composed of Eastland, Stephens, Callahan, Shackelford and Taylor counties, over three very capable and experienced lawyers. I served nearly three years as judge of the Forty-second district, being transferred to the Eighty-eighth district composed only of Eastland county, carved from the Forty-second district on account of the large amount of business caused by the oil boom in that county. I resigned the district judgeship in the fall of 1919 to enter the private practice of law, having resolved to quit politics, but in 1920 was persuaded by my friends to become a candidate for representative and was elected without opposition, and served through the regular session of the Thirty-seventh legislature in the House, resigning in June, 1921, to become State Senator, having been elected to that office at a special election called to fill the unexpired term of our senator who had resigned. I am still Senator from the Twenty-eighth district which is composed of 32 counties and has a population of nearly 300,000 people, and I feel that I have had some valuable experience in matters pertaining to the welfare and upbuilding of our State.

Having been raised to manhood's estate on the farm and having attended and taught in the country schools, I feel that I fully know and realize and understand the difficulties of farm life in Texas, as well as

the needs of the country schools. I think I know the ups and downs of official life and the responsibilities of an official. As district judge I had the ablest lawyers of Texas before me in the trial of the most difficult cases, and I have since measured swords with the best of attorneys in the trial of cases. As a result of all this experience I hope you will pardon me in stating that I feel that I am in some degree fitted to shape the policies of our state as its Governor, assisted, of course, by men and women of judgment, foresight and wisdom whom I count as my friends, and with whom I shall always counsel.

I have thus told you my life and career, not in a boastful manner and not in self-praise, but only because I believe every citizen should know my experience and services in order that each may judge whether I am fitted for or deserve the responsible office of Governor of Texas. I am not an aristocrat. I am of the common people, for the common people and with the common people. Democracy appeals to me, but I have very little patience with aristocracy. I am only a plain man, as you can easily see, and it is my desire to serve the masses and not the classes.

It has always been my ambition—as I am sure it has been and is every man's ambition—to be chief executive of my native state. While I never had the opportunity to even attend high school, much less attend a college, for more than three months in my whole life, I had the guidance and advice of a wise father and a careful, Christian and painstaking mother, who instilled into my very soul that "You are the architect of your own fortune. You can be what you will to be and you can accomplish all you desire if you but apply yourself and conduct yourself as a gentleman should." I have toiled the upward path. I know what it is to do hard manual labor. I have studied law far into the night, while my companions enjoyed themselves, in order that I might be prepared. I have made the best of my opportunities that I could, with the lights before me. I deserve or claim no credit or commendation for such efforts—I only did my duty, and I am now coming to you to lay my case before you that you might give my claims careful and thoughtful consideration, and, if possible, assist me in becoming Governor of this great state. Of course, my desires, my welfare and my ambitions are nothing as compared to the welfare of Texas. The people of Texas owe me nothing; indeed, the people of my county and districts have been very generous and kind to me, far more so, possibly, than I deserve. But if the things and principles which I advocate, in the main, are sound and are for the best interest of the people as a whole, and if you believe the causes which I champion and advocate are better for our people than those that others advocate, then I take it that you will cast your vote for me.

As to my opponents, I will say in the outset that so far as I know they are all gentlemen—estimable men—and my friends, and you will never hear me say one word derogatory of any of them. I may disagree with them in some things they advocate, believing my views better than theirs, but you will never hear me say discourteous things about them in any manner. They all have a perfect right to run for Governor—it is a laudable ambition—and the mere fact that we happen to be opponents will not in the least cause me to feel unkindly toward them. Measures and not men will be the subject of my discussion throughout this campaign, and when it is over, win or lose, I hope to count all my opponents my personal friends as well as have the good will and friendship of all Texas. If the fickle fortunes of politics favor me, of course I shall be sincerely grateful, but if they frown upon me and I am not successful, you will not hear me complain, and there will not be any bitterness in my soul toward any man or set of men for opposing me.

While I have my individual views about many matters which are of vital concern to Texas, yet I shall express my thoughts at length on but a few of the most important and outstanding matters which vitally affect our entire commonwealth. The farming and stockraising interests are of primary importance to us because they are the basic industries of all civilization. Without the farmer and stockman this state and



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this nation would soon become an uninhabited wilderness of waste. Other industries may be completely destroyed and civilization still exist in a reasonably advanced stage, but if farming and stockraising are destroyed then civilization itself is almost completely destroyed and the earth depopulated and fit only for the crudest kind of habitation.

The Financial Problem

One of the foremost problems which confronts the people of Texas today is the financial and economic problem. Money and finances, you might say, constitute the very life-blood of our business, stockraising, farming and laboring interests of this state. Without proper financial assistance there are not a great many business concerns that can carry on their affairs as they should be carried on, and so it is with the farmer, the stockman and the laborer. The farmer and stockman (which, of course, includes the laboring element of our people) constitute the very basis and foundation of our civilization. Theirs are basic industries and must be looked after and encouraged more so, if possible, than our commercial and industrial enterprises. When the farmer and stockman suffer and the wages of the laboring man are low, our entire state and nation suffers, and when they prosper our entire state and nation prospers. Hence it is that we should pay more attention to the extension of proper credit and financial assistance to the farmer, stockman and laborer. The business man is able to take care of himself because he has a business rating and because our financial institutions are ever ready to promote business enterprises, but the interests of our stockmen, farmers and laborers have too long been neglected.

Our Finances Yet Controlled By Wall Street

The financial life-blood in Texas has been for a long time and is yet controlled by Wall Street money-lenders and speculators of New York. Our national Federal Reserve Banking system was meant to relieve that situation but, by reason of the management of that system having fallen into the control of the money-lenders and speculators of Wall Street, our financial condition has not been bettered any, and at least once in recent years has been made infinitely worse. Now, it goes without dispute that the agency which controls the life-blood of any thing thereby naturally controls its destiny. As long as Texas is dependent upon Wall Street and the Federal Reserve banking system for its financial life-blood, just that long is Texas at the mercy of such. If Texas is to ever prosper we must become financially free from the domination of Wall Street. This can be done if the people so desire.

Prior to 1920 farm products were high, labor was commanding a good price and livestock sold at a good figure. Based upon this prosperity, and there not being any seeming necessity for a material reduction in credits, the people of Texas and of the entire Southwest expanded their business. The speculators of Wall

Street knew this; they were and are at all times in a position to know the financial condition of Texas and any other state, because the farm and stock loans, especially, are rediscounted by the local banks to the Federal Reserve Bank at Dallas and by that agency oft-times rediscounted to the money-lenders in New York. Our local loans usually pay 10 per cent bank interest. These loans are rediscounted to the Federal Reserve Bank at possibly 1 or 2 per cent; that bank in turn rediscounts the loan to the money-lenders in New York who are glad to get 6 per cent on their money. With this method of banking it is possible for credits to be indefinitely expanded. In the early summer of 1920 the money speculators and big business interests saw an opportunity to make a raid upon the American public in a financial way. The Federal Reserve Banks immediately called their loans from the local banks and refused to make more. The bottom fell out of prices of livestock and farm products and labor was reduced accordingly. The Federal Reserve System refused to take care of the situation; in fact, the directors of the Federal Reserve Bank board assisted in immediate deflation instead of going about it in a gradual manner. This resulted in the practical bankruptcy of all of the farmers and stockmen and a severe handicap was placed upon the laborer and small business. Liberty bonds which had been bought by the general public at one hundred cents on the dollar were forced on the market and the speculators bought them as low as 86 cents. Within six months after Liberty bonds had been forced to such low levels they had practically all been bought from the small holder and cornered by the bond speculators. They then rose at once from 86 cents to \$1.03 and have since been maintained around that figure, thus more than five hundred million dollars were wrung from the purses of the stockman, farmer and laboring classes and small business men, because it was they that purchased so liberally of Liberty bonds, a great many times borrowing the money at 10 per cent interest in order that they might do their part in winning the war. The Federal Reserve Banks at that time, although they were amply able to do so, refused to relieve the financial stringency and hundreds of thousands of producers and small businesses of this state and other states were literally made bankrupt.

Texas Should Have a Central State Bank

Texas ought to free herself from these financial pirates, and she can do it if she will. If Texas would establish a Central State Bank and administer the affairs of that bank in a business-like way such as is adhered to by the Bank of England, we would be forever free from the domination of Wall Street. If we could arrange a Central State Bank to finance the many state banks of the state, as well as the farming, stockraising and industrial enterprises of our State, by placing approved collateral with the Central Bank, and by it placed with the United States Treasury, money could be secured at a rate of 3½ per cent. This money could be loaned to the state banks of Texas at, say 4½

per cent with the stipulation that same should be loaned to the farmers, stockmen and industrial enterprises of the state at a rate not exceeding 6 per cent interest, upon first-class collateral. This money should not be loaned to any except bona fide producers and legitimate business enterprises, and the state should see to it that no speculator should ever get a cent of it. Our banking and finances would thus be controlled by Texas for the benefit of her citizens, and would stabilize the money market and market conditions in Texas. With this arrangement ample money could be secured to be loaned in Texas during a financial stringency, and we would be free from the financial manipulations of Wall Street.

Some able men of our state have advocated that the funds for the Central State Bank be secured by pledging the bonds and securities of our educational department, but I have thought over this suggestion and doubt the wisdom of such a step. The funds of our educational department belong to the school children of the state and are a trust fund for their benefit, and they should not be jeopardized in any way.

It will be an easy matter to secure the necessary collateral for the Central State Bank by requiring each state bank to take so much capital stock in same—say 10 per cent of its own capital stock—and this would give us a Central State Bank with a capital of from thirty to fifty million dollars. These are only suggestions, and the details of the Central Bank can be worked out by the legislature, but we certainly should devise some way to become financially independent of the big speculators of the East.

State Should Own Warehouses and Elevators

Another thing which confronts the producer of Texas today is the market situation. It is not hard to raise an abundance of farm, ranch and field products in Texas, but the great problem is getting a fair market for same. We have a great many warehouses and elevators where our staple commodities may be stored but they are only local affairs. They serve a good purpose as far as they go, but they do not go far enough. When a commodity is stored in a local warehouse or elevator it is not a great deal nearer to the world's markets than it was when it was in the field or on the ranch, and the local warehouse receipts are not collateral at any place except at the small local banks. What we need is that the state should own and control adequate fireproof warehouses and elevators at our seaports and at accessible and convenient railroad points, to be managed by state warehousemen who will weigh, grade and classify the staple commodities as they are stored there and issue a receipt for same in the name of the State of Texas, and this receipt would be ample collateral at the Central State Bank of Texas, or in the money markets of the entire world. It would be safe security and thus cheap money might be obtained on such receipts as collateral. Then, too, the insurance rates would be far less in approved fireproof warehouses, and the farmer and stockman could market their products direct to the manufacturer instead of having to go through numerous middlemen. Not only that, but all of the commodities would have standard weights and grades and would be sold under the state grade, rate and classification, and the producers of Texas would not be beaten out of millions of dollars each year as is now being done by reason of short weights, improper grades and unfair classification. An adequate marketing system, coupled with proper banking facilities, will make the producers of Texas independent, and will solve their financial and economic difficulties to a great extent.

Long-Time Rural Credits

We should have a State financial system which would extend to the farmer and stockman long-time credits at reasonable rates of interest. A stockman has no business undertaking to do a ranching business upon 10 per cent money on six or eight months' time. They are entitled to and should receive at least three years' credit upon a low rate of interest in order that they may lay their plans and have time to make a reasonable profit from their efforts. The farmer cannot successfully farm upon 10 per cent money on five or six months' time. So long as all our farm and ranch products have to be dumped on the market at once, or be forced on the market when the money-lender demands it, just that long will our producers suffer and the speculators prosper. We should have long time credits for our producers, at a low rate of interest, in order that they may not be forced to sell their products at a sacrifice. Farming and stockraising are industries more necessary than railroads, mines, telegraphs, telephones, etc., and these latter industries secure five to 29 year loans upon their property at from 5 to 7 per cent, and we should see that our producers are placed in position to receive reasonably long time credits at low interest rates. The railroads, telegraphs, telephones, etc., claim that they cannot make money for their stockholders if they have to pay a high rate of interest. Then if the business interests cannot make money on high interest rates, why should the farmers and stockmen and laborers be expected to make money when they are all forced to pay the highest rate of interest of any class?

Should Have 8 Per Cent Interest Rate

Another thing which goes hand in hand with what I have just said is that of the high interest rate which the people of Texas have to pay. It has been said on good authority that 41 per cent of the farms in the United States are mortgaged and that Texas pays the highest interest of any state upon its land loans, paying from 7 to 10 per cent. New Mexico comes next with 6 to 9 per cent. The commercial farm and stock loans of Texas amount to around seven hundred million dollars per year. This means that our producers pay annually from fifty to seventy millions of dollars in interest. If our contract interest rate were 8 per cent instead of 10 per cent as it is now, our people would be saved from ten to fourteen million dollars each year in interest charges alone. This would be enough to pay our state taxes each year, if our government be economically administered. It seems to me that Texas has a substantial farming and stockraising industries as any state in the Union, and that our business is upon a firm basis, therefore we could easily afford to reduce the contract interest rate from 10 to 8 per cent. This item alone will put Texas in the prosperity class. Of course, some people—especially those who have money to loan—argue that to reduce the contract interest rate will be to throttle industry. Such is not the case. On the contrary, low interest rates, or cheap money, is what industry must have to be prosperous. It is substantial and safe collateral that makes cheap money, and the farm and ranch products and Texas land are as good collateral as can be found anywhere. There are twelve states in the Union which forbid the contract rate of interest to be more than 6 per cent. Nearly all of the states have a legal rate of 6 per cent, and there are ten which have a contract interest rate of only 7 or 8 per cent. It would be necessary for our state constitution to be amended in order that the contract interest rate may be reduced. Our present provision in the constitution with reference to 10 per cent contract interest was written in 1876 when money was scarce and hard to get at any rate, but money is now more plentiful and our collateral is more substantial, and our economic welfare demands that our contract interest rate be lowered to at least 8 per cent. I introduced such an amendment into the last session of the legislature, but enough votes could not be mustered in the senate to place it before the people to pass upon. The people should see to it that those elected to the next legislature be favorable enough to this proposition to at least submit it to the people to pass upon.

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Water Conservation and Flood Control

Every year Texas loses millions of dollars worth of crops and property by reason of overflow and drouth. The most important rivers of the state rise in the western and north-western portion and cross the central and southern portions, finally emptying into the gulf. Along the upper reaches of these rivers there are many excellent sites for dams to be constructed at a comparatively small cost which will impound the flood waters, prevent the overflowing of the lower reaches and irrigate the regions frequented by drouth. The land near the dam will be very valuable, increasing from a value of possibly ten or twenty dollars per acre now, to a value under irrigation of two hundred to three hundred dollars per acre or even more than that. Besides this, the water power created by the release of the water from the dam will create unmeasured quantities of electricity for commercial and domestic use. The flood control and water conservation is a state matter and not a local or district matter. The state should assist in building these dams and be repaid, with interest, by the surrounding territory which is benefited the most. By doing this, there will be a revolving fund with which to construct all necessary dams and levees within a reasonable time. The increased taxable values of the land surrounding the project alone will be sufficient in a short time to repay the state for the money expended. Then these reservoirs will prevent the overflows of the valleys below, which are as rich as the proverbial "valley of the Nile," and thereby thousands and thousands of acres of rich river bottom land that is now practically worthless for agricultural purposes will become useful and very valuable. This prevention of floods will make it possible to build good roads through the bottoms and valleys where it is now impracticable to do so on account of the floods. It is almost folly to expend any considerable sum of money to construct a hard-surfaced road through a river bottom, when there is no way of preventing the next flood from washing it all away. Then, too, increased taxable values caused by reason of this flood control, will increase the length of our roads. Good roads, schools and flood control are linked together in that the control of the flood waters and the conservation of same for irrigation purposes increase the value of the land, and makes it possible for good roads and good schools.

Our Educational Problem

The educational problem of Texas, perhaps, comes in for as much thought and comment as any that is before the people today. Upon the adequate education of all our people—not just a few—depends the welfare of our state and nation. It is not enough that we have one portion of our population highly educated and another portion with no education at all, and still another portion with an ordinary education. But it is essential, and not only essential, but it is the duty of our state to see that every child in Texas has an opportunity to complete at least the high school grades in our public schools. Any person who completes the high school course of study is in position to make a good citizen—and good citizenship is the end and aim of all statesmanship. It is our solemn duty to see to it that every Texas child has an opportunity to go that far in literary learning. I firmly believe that if all our children should be carried through the high school course in Texas that we would have a far better, more prosperous and industrious, and a great deal more intelligent citizenship. I believe that Texas should educate its children—both boys and girls—until they are 21 years of age. After they become of age they are citizens of the state and owe the state the service of citizenship. After they are grown the state owes them nothing but protection of life, liberty and property. It is a physical impossibility to make university and college graduates of all our children. Good citizenship is the end and aim of all statesmanship. However desirable it might be to give a liberal education to all our citizens, yet that is not feasible or possible because, in the first place, an education in the liberal arts does not make a more useful or better citizen than does a practical education, and, in the second place, it is not possible to give a liberal education to all. I believe that we should see to it that all of our boys and girls have an opportunity to go through at least the high school grades by the time they are of age, and then, when they are sent upon the sea of life, they will be in position to make their own way and to render good service as citizens. They will also have the foundation for a liberal education, should they be ambitious to secure one. I believe in our institutions of higher learning. I believe they are essential, but I believe that our schools of the masses—the common schools—should not be allowed to suffer by paying more attention to the institutions of higher learning than we do to our lower schools.

Our rate of taxation has already become burdensome. We must find other ways to support our institutions of higher learning

than we have now, else when the student body of those institutions double, it will likewise double the expense. We are now appropriating about six million dollars a year for the higher institutions of learning, or more than \$300 per student. We are paying only about twelve or thirteen dollars per capita for the children who attend the high schools. Why should our children, who cannot help themselves, be neglected in order that men and women, who are citizens and able to care for themselves, may get a liberal education? It does seem to me after a person has reached 21 years of age and has graduated from the high school, that he should be willing to pay a reasonable tuition for attending our institutions of higher learning, and I believe, whether we like it or not, in order to keep such institutions to as high a standard as they should be kept, that all students entering them must pay a reasonable tuition fee, as is being done in other states; and thus, in a measure, pay for their education and not impose to such a large extent upon the boys and girls of our state who cannot care for themselves. I realize that this fee might be a great inconvenience to many students who attend such institutions, but if any must be inconvenienced, I believe it better to inconvenience a thousand or so men and women than to deprive a million children of a practical education. Surely a man or woman who is 21 years of age ought to be able to pay a reasonable tuition and thus enable the State to do its full duty towards the boys and girls who are in public school, and at the same time properly maintain our higher institutions of learning. Frankly, I cannot see why the people of Texas should be paying taxes to educate a lawyer, or a musician, or an artist, or an electrician or other professional man. They make no better or more useful citizens, ordinarily, than anyone else. If one desires to become a lawyer, a musician, an engineer, a musician, an artist, or other highly trained expert, let him pay his way. Let us all be on an equality and on a common footing to the degree and extent necessary to make good, practical citizens, and let the State pay the bill, but if, after that point is reached, we desire to go higher and become experts or professional persons, then let each individual foot the expense so far as possible.

Does the state owe it to you or to me to educate either for our own personal welfare, at the expense of the remainder of the State? When the State has given us adequate education to cope with the practical affairs of life, should it go further, after we have reached manhood's estate, and provide us with an education in the liberal arts at the expense of the public? If that be true, then when are we ever to be our own support and not look to the state for our support and learning? Now, don't misunderstand me. I am for the institutions of higher learning, but I am for the common public free schools first. I want to see the higher institutions reasonably maintained, but we have been stingy with our boys and girls long enough. Texas ranks very high in her university and colleges, but she stands thirty-fourth among the states in the matter of her public free schools. We must make our public schools our chief concern. Make them really worth while institutions. Teach the boys and girls vocational training there, as well as literary learning. Give them all this by the time they are of age and then let them assist the State in its duties instead of being a further burden. Let the State provide for and establish, furnish and equip the institutions of higher learning, but let the pupils that are in attendance pay at least a portion of their maintenance. It is not right to spend only fifteen or twenty dollars per capita for children who cannot help themselves, and at the same time spend \$300 to \$2,000 per capita, as we are now doing, for a favored few grown men and women who can care for themselves. Most of our institutions of higher learning are turning out specialists who are specializing for themselves and not for the general good of the state. I have no objection to them so specializing, in fact I am glad to see them do so, but I do not believe they have a right to do so at the expense of the children of the State.

Our elementary or grade schools are the colleges of the people. Give a child a good, broad elementary training in our public schools; teach him the fundamentals of honesty, sobriety and integrity, as well as the basic principles of education, and he will make a good and useful citizen when he arrives at his majority, and not only that, but he will be in a position to press forward and equip himself in the higher branches of learning and accomplish great things for himself and his State.

We have hundreds of graduates from our Teachers' Colleges who do not teach and never intend to teach school and thereby impart their knowledge to the children at home. It is right and proper for the state to equip and maintain teachers' colleges for the efficient training of teachers to the end that the children of the state may have the best teachers and instructors obtainable, but if the State trains the teachers without tuition or fee, then it is nothing but right that such teacher so trained should bind himself or herself to teach a reasonable term of years—say three or five—in order that our younger generation and the State as

a whole may reap some benefit by reason of such training.

I believe the State should see that all our higher institutions are adequately supported, but I believe a reasonable tuition fee, say \$150 per year, or more, as is now being charged by other states, should be paid by those who attend such, which should go to support those institutions. This would decrease the necessary appropriations for them about three million dollars per year, which appropriations could be transferred to supplement the available public free school fund.

Of course it would be fine if we could maintain all of our institutions of higher learning to the very highest standard and not charge a penny for attendance therein, but if we educate all who are able to go to those higher institutions and do not provide for the education of all our children and citizens who desire to go to them, we are playing favorites. But you know and I know that it is absolutely impossible to build sufficient institutions of higher learning all over Texas whereby all of the children of this state may secure a college or university training, so we must make our common schools—the colleges of the common people—the very best possible in order that every child may have an equal opportunity up to the time he is of age, and then let him shoulder his own responsibilities.

In addition to a reasonable tuition fee for the institutions of higher learning, I believe one-fourth of the automobile license fees should go to the available school fund. This will amount to about \$2,000,000 annually and will put our common schools in good condition and allow all our public rural schools, as well as the city schools, to run eight or nine months in each year. We, of course, need good roads, but we must have good schools. An educated citizenship is indispensable and will find a way to improve the highways after an adequate school system is provided.

The Penitentiary System

For many years the penitentiary problem has been a most vexatious one. Under the present system we are confronted with the fact that able-bodied men cannot make a living for themselves, although they are furnished free tools, teams and equipment and free land upon which to farm. It costs about 70 cents per day over and above the fruits of labor to keep a convict. The penitentiary system has cost the taxpayers of Texas during the past three years, nearly three million dollars. Something is wrong with the system. It is not run in a business-like way, or else the system must be changed altogether. I do not deem it advisable for the system to be maintained upon farms in the low, wet country that it now is. One convict cannot work enough land; floods are too frequent; malaria is too prevalent. I believe that many men who go to the penitentiary could be trusted to work on the roads without guards. It seems to me that the system should produce enough to supply the system with food and clothes, as well as all our asylums and state institutions. Then a great portion of them should be worked on the state highways in maintenance, as is done in other states. They could maintain a great per cent of our state roads. I believe it would be profitable to run a cement factory with a portion of them, selling the cement to the cities and counties of Texas at actual cost. Others should be used in the making of vitrified brick for road construction; still others should be employed in factories making such articles as are needed for the system or other state supported institutions such as asylums for the insane, schools for the deaf and dumb and blind and juvenile training school. I believe in the honor system for short term convicts. Do away with armed guards except in a few instances; treat them like human beings instead of beasts, and give them third or half time off for good behavior. Parole, during good behavior, many of the younger ones who are not criminals but who, through thoughtlessness and immature judgment, committed their first offense—give them another chance—if they make good, then Texas has profited thereby not only in saving expense, but in producing an improved citizen. If they do not make good it is an easy matter to recall them. Mercy costs less than austere justice, and many times it bears better results.

Home Ownership

I believe Texas should be interested in all of its citizens owning homes, and should hold out some inducement to prospective home-owners to get them to buy a home and improve it, for a home-owner is more to be desired than a tenant. Thousands of tenants now find it more profitable to rent than to own homes because of the tax burden, insurance, etc. Looking to the end that we may have more home-owners and less tenants I believe it would be wise to exempt from taxation a reasonable amount of improvements on the homestead, say exempt from taxation improvements on the homestead under \$2,500 in value. This does not mean to exempt the land from taxation, but only the improvements. The small home-owner now pays far more taxes according to the amount of property owned than do the large land and property owners. The small owner puts a greater value on his property than do the larger owners, and an exemption from taxation of a reasonable sum would be a great incentive for tenants to purchase and hold small homes. If this is not a feasible plan, then some plan should be adopted to induce more of our citizens to own and improve homes.

Taxation

Taxation is now and has ever been a troublesome question. It will always be with us, and a live issue. Much has been said and written concerning equalization of taxes over the state. In my opinion, this can never be successfully done, even with a constitutional amendment creating a state board of equalization, as has been advocated by some, because it will always be impossible for any set of men to know the values of different lands and properties in different counties and widely separated portions of the state. The better plan, in my judgment, is to do away with state ad valorem taxes altogether, and leave the ad valorem taxes for the counties and cities for local purposes. Let the state government be run on occupation, gross receipts, income, franchise, corporation and poll taxes, etc., and then there can be no question between different counties as to which pays the most taxes upon a given amount of land or other property. Of course, to do this, it will be necessary to amend our constitution, which I am in favor of doing.

Abolition of Bureaus and Useless Offices

Another problem which confronts us today is that of too much government. That is, we have too many officers for the amount of work done. We could abolish one-third of our officers and still have an efficient form of government. Of course, I realize that I will be touching a tender spot with some people when I say that we should do away with the county treasurer's and tax assessor's offices, but you know and I know that there is no reason why we should maintain both an assessor's and collector's office, and there is no reason why the county treasurer's office should not be abolished and let the warrants be issued by the county and district clerks. The tax collector cannot commence collecting taxes until the assessments are made. Why not let him assess in the spring and collect in the fall? Why not let the tax-payer render his taxes for the following year as he pays his taxes for the current year? It seems this could be done and thus save Texas more than a million dollars on this score alone. The abolition of the county treasurer's office will save another million to the tax-payers. Then we have too many commissions, bureaus and boards. I believe Texas is a representative democracy and I believe the people are competent to govern themselves, and if there is occasion for a commission or a board then I believe that the commissioners or members of the board should be elected by the people and be accountable to them for their actions. We have too many agents going about spending the people's money and not rendering proper service. The last legislature appropriated nearly \$500,000 for traveling expenses alone. This should be reduced by \$300,000. It seems to me that all of these agencies can and should be combined under one department and, in a great many instances, done away with altogether. I believe the board of control should be abolished; the tax commissioner's office is useless; the markets and warehouse department should be consolidated with the department of agriculture; the board of water engineers and the reclamation department should be consolidated; and that wherever at all possible, to combine necessary departments and abolish others. If the people of Texas ever expect to get upon a sound and prosperous basis they must try to get out and think about these problems and set about to solve them in a business-like manner.

State Highway System

The establishment and the maintenance of a connected system of highways in Texas is of the utmost importance both from the standpoint of convenience and business. We no longer live to ourselves. More than a million automobiles pass over our roads each year. Our citizens go from one county to another and often from one widely separated section to another to transact important business. Then the pleasure-seekers use our roads for the year round. It is essential that we have a system of roads connecting all the more important business centers with every section of our state. To do this it is necessary that this system be under one supreme head, and not scattered into the 250 counties of the state. We must have adequate maintenance after the system is established and constructed. It is folly to build good roads unless they are adequately maintained, and this must be done uniformly. The welfare of our producers depends upon our distribution system, and in this day of auto travel, our public roads are more and more becoming essential in the marketing of the many products of our farms and ranches. Our commerce is now so great that it is impossible to handle it by railroads and at least half of our commodities are transported, a greater or less distance, by motor vehicles. Our public highways are important and must be constantly looked after in order that our citizenship may be properly served.

I am not satisfied with our present motor vehicle license law. It is too complicated and unfair in many instances. For instance, at present a person who uses his car but very little, and hence does no damage to the roads, pays just as much as those who use the roads every day in the year. Of course, I believe a weight tax an equitable one, because heavy cars do a great deal more damage to the roads than light cars

do, but I believe there should be only a nominal license fee—say, about \$5.00 on each car, and a nominal weight tax on the heavier cars and trucks in order to make up for the additional wear and tear of the heavier cars over the lighter ones, and let this all go to the counties to be spent upon the county and lateral roads. And then increase the tax on gasoline, in order that the ones who do the going will pay the bill, and let three-fourths of the gasoline tax go to the state highway department to be expended upon the state highways, and one-fourth go to the public schools. A gasoline tax of three cents per gallon will bring in a total revenue of about nine million dollars annually; 4 cents per gallon, which is levied in some states, will bring in a yearly revenue of 12 million dollars. This would give nine million to spend on the construction and maintenance of the state roads and three million additional for our public schools, which we need very badly. A car will average 15 miles to each gallon of gasoline, and at four cents per gallon, the tax would be only four cents additional for each 15 miles traveled.

Industrial Development

The industrial development of Texas is of the utmost concern. We have reached the peak of livestock and farming activities and we must look more and more to the industrial development and welfare of our state. Our natural resources are unbounded. We have a great variety of woods for manufacturing furniture, making lumber and other articles of commerce; our building stone is unsurpassed in quality and quantity; our state is possessed of more coal than any other state in the union, and it is found at comparatively shallow depths in inexhaustible quantities. Electricity in abundance should be manufactured from this coal at the mines and transported through high tension wires to the homes for heat and light, and to the factories for power, heat and light. Electricity is the coming commodity for heat and light and motive power and Texas being possessed of such limitless quantities of coal it can be manufactured very cheaply. Our waterpower, too, is something that should be developed and utilized; factories of various kinds must be erected for the consumption of our raw materials; woolen mills should be built to care for our unbounded supply of fine wool. It is estimated that it will cost at least a billion dollars to construct and adequate system of highways over our state—and we have the best road material in the world at our very door with which to build those roads. Cement material is to be had in unlimited quantities, gravel, sand and road-building stone of any kind desired is here in unmeasured amounts to say nothing of the inexhaustible deposits of brick material. And iron ore, from which to manufacture bridges and secure iron and steel for structural purposes, is so plentiful that it has been almost overlooked as useless. Our natural resources are so unlimited as to be beyond comprehension, yet we have not awakened to the possibilities that are wrapped therein. We must have capital to develop these resources. I believe in a liberal policy towards capital, and if elected Governor will approve laws favorable to the industrial development of Texas. We must have skilled labor to convert these raw and natural commodities into the finished product. Let us set earnestly about the upbuilding of our state in a substantial, business-like and industrious manner. Of course, we must have capital, but we must also have labor, and in order to secure labor we must be fair and reasonable with labor to such an extent that we pass wholesome laws to govern the working conditions of our great laboring commonwealth, and see that labor is fairly treated by capital.

Believes in Organized Labor

I am now and have always been, a believer in the rights of organized labor to the end that the condition of our producers be bettered. I believe our laborers have a right to organize and work as a unit, to secure reasonable and fair wages.

Labor is not a commodity to be bought and bartered by capital—it is a human right, a privilege and a necessity of life that must be protected just as capital is protected in its property rights. The only means that a very great majority of our citizens possess to earn a livelihood for themselves and family is that of personal service and labor. No state or nation can be prosperous and contented unless its industrial and producing classes are prosperous and contented. And the only way to make them so is to pass and enforce fair and just laws whereby our producers may receive just compensation for their services and products. Without such laws capital would likely become oppressive and reduce our industrial and producing classes to practical peonage and servitude. On the other hand, capital must not be so hedged about with unjust laws as to prevent the development of our state, and thereby deprive our industrial and laboring class of opportunity to make the fullest use of their services and labor. Both labor and capital should be fairly treated in order that our state should profit by their combined efforts to the fullest degree, yet neither should be allowed to oppress and throttle the other to the detriment of the great public good.

Not in Sympathy With the Klan

I am not in sympathy with the Ku Klux Klan. I do not believe there is any demand or need for that or

organization in our scheme of government. If it be a religious institution, then I take my religion from the Holy Bible. If it be a political organization, then I am affiliated with and take my politics from the Democratic party. If it be a fraternal order, then I believe in the common brotherhood of men, excluding neither the high nor the low in life, the foreign born nor the native-born, the rich nor the poor, the Jew nor Gentile, the Catholic nor the Protestant. We have enough dissension and strife without deliberately creating more. I have spoken on this question because it is a public matter which has stirred up the feelings of our citizenship concerning modes of faith, religion and political beliefs, and because it has heretofore been and is now an issue, and not because it should be an issue. It would be far better for our state if our citizenship would lay aside and forgive and forget this prejudicial issue which has done and can do nothing but cause turmoil, confusion and enmity, and all work as a unit in the upbuilding of our state socially, economically, industrially, educationally and religiously. But, of course, if one side of the issue continues active, then it cannot be expected that the other will stand idly by and not vigorously oppose measures and matters it considers dangerous to free government. Both sides must drop the struggle, else it will be a disturbing factor until one side or the other gains the unquestioned ascendancy.

There is much to do and plenty for all to keep busy in useful matters and in attending to our own affairs, and not stir up either racial or religious prejudice. As for myself, I do not desire that my fitness for public office be judged solely by my views concerning this one issue, but I am frank about this matter that you might know my views. The people of Texas have a right to know every candidate's position on any and all public questions, and I have given mine without hesitating. If you agree with me, I shall, of course, be gratified, but if you differ with me, I have no quarrel to pick. I do not want to deceive any person on any matter, and shall not do so, knowingly, and I shall not dodge any issue about which I am asked. I have expressed my position as plainly as possible on the Klan question, and there being economic, industrial and educational problems of overshadowing importance to discuss with the people, I shall not make further reference to such question, unless called upon to do so, for fear it might becloud and detract from the more important matters before us.

Strict Law Enforcement

I believe in the enforcement of all laws without fear or favor. To me, all laws stand upon an equality, so long as they are on our statute book. If a law is a wholesome one, it should, by all means, be enforced. If it be a bad law, then it should be repealed. But all laws should be obeyed while they are in force. No man is higher or bigger than the law by which we must all abide. But, in the last analysis, the people are the enforcers of our laws. Our people should be taught a more wholesome respect for our laws, and they will be enforced. I have always held that our laws are made to obey and not to violate, and that our officers are elected to enforce the law as written, without discretion. If the bad laws were enforced they would soon become so distasteful that the legislature would repeal them, but all should be enforced until repealed by the proper authority. I think we have many laws that are too drastic, unreasonable and out of date, and they should be modified or repealed by the legislature, but neither you nor I have a right to disobey them while they are laws.

Mob violence has increased a thousand per cent during the past two years, but our laws with reference to such mobs have not been enforced as they should be. Mob violence is the most dangerous form of lawlessness. No citizen feels safe in the presence of a mob. Neither has a mob any reason. A mob does things in heat of passion and blindly seeks the means to accomplish its purpose. Only cowards, radicals and hot-heads resort to such violence, and either is dangerous and unsafe and undesirable in a free government. If I am elected Governor, I assure you I will use the same zealous efforts to enforce the law against mobs, masked or unmasked, that I will use against any other form of lawlessness to the end that our citizenship may be free to pursue liberty-loving avocations in peace and free from lawless and unwarranted interference.

In conclusion, let me say that I was born in and have lived my whole life in Texas. Both my private and public acts are open to inspection and criticism, and I invite investigation of my private as well as public and official acts, and if you find any corruption or wilful short-coming in either, it is your duty to cast your vote and use your influence against me. I have endeavored to state my position plainly on many public matters which I consider of prime importance, but there are others that I would like to discuss and will discuss later, but time now prevents. If anyone, at any time, desires to question me about anything not here mentioned, I shall be very glad to frankly state my position on same. You may not agree with me in all I have said. I may be wrong in some of the things I advocate, but I hope that you will at least think I am sincere in my views, and I know if you agree with me in the main, you will accord me your support.

I believe in a fair square deal to every person, and if I should be the choice of our citizenship, I assure you that every citizen in Texas, high or low, rich or poor, will get just that. No person should receive less, and certainly no true Texan will ask more.

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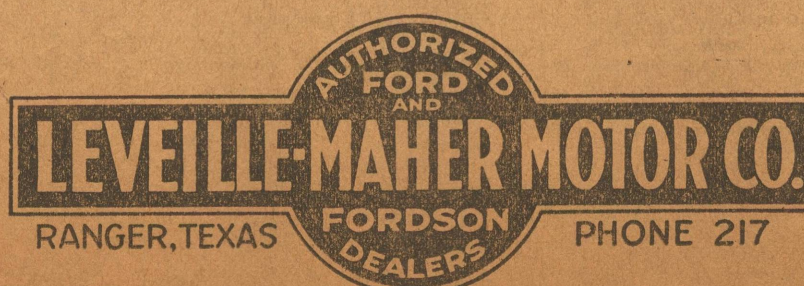
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GYM WORK TO BE BIG FEATURE IN EASTLAND

American Legion Athletic Club Provides Splendidly Equipped Gymnasium.

EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—The American Legion Athletic club opens its gym today. The gymnasium, one of the finest in the state, is now able to accommodate any indoor game that is played in a gym. The floor has been re-lined and now has official courts for the following games:

Basketball for both boys and girls, indoor baseball diamond, and two volley ball courts. The volley ball courts alone can accommodate 50 business men at one time. The indoor baseball diamond has been rearranged so as to give more space for the spectators and a large left field.

The basketball league will play Friday night at 8 o'clock.

The basketball captains were called into a meeting last night at the

gym for the purpose of drawing up the constitution and by-laws of the league. The schedule will be revised and the pennant race will be continued as scheduled and more interest should develop when the league is organized. Plans are under way whereby each team in the league will get more practice and outside games are being booked.

According to the physical director very few towns even larger than Eastland can boast of such a league as this. The public should appreciate this and show their appreciation by attendance at the games.

High school classes will have more time. The physical director, Mr. Boyer, has held several conferences with Superintendent Peterson and the high school principal, Mr. Gray, over the school work. Arrangements have been made whereby each school class will have more time for physical training than before. Each class will have 45 minutes two days one week and three days the next. According to Mr. Peterson a splendid course, second to none in the Texas high schools is to be taught the pupils. Marching, calisthenics, apparatus and games are to be included in the course.

A time has been set aside for basketball practice for both the boys and girls of the high school and with the splendid material out for practice and more expected out daily,

the coaches should turn out championship teams. Cisco teams have been practicing through the holidays with a determination to clean Eastland. The exact date when these two teams meet has not yet been announced but such a game will be closely contested. The schedule:

- Men:
 - Business men, 5:30, 6:30 p. m., Monday, Wednesday, Friday.
 - Basketball league, 8:00, 10:00 p. m., Tuesday and Friday.
 - Young men's class, 8:00, 9:00 p. m., Monday and Thursday.
- Women:
 - Matrons, 2:30, 3:30 p. m., Tuesday and Friday.
 - Business women, 6:00, 7:00 p. m., Tuesday and Thursday.
- Boys:
 - High school physical training. Period one, 8:30 to 9:15 a. m.,

Monday, Wednesday, every other Friday.

Period three, 10:20 to 11:05 a. m. Period four, 11:25 to 12:10 a. m. High school leaders, 6:30 to 7:30 p. m., Mondays.

High school basketball practice, 4:00 to 5:00 Monday, Wednesday, Friday.

Boy Scouts, troops land 2, 7:30 to 8:30 p. m., Wednesday.

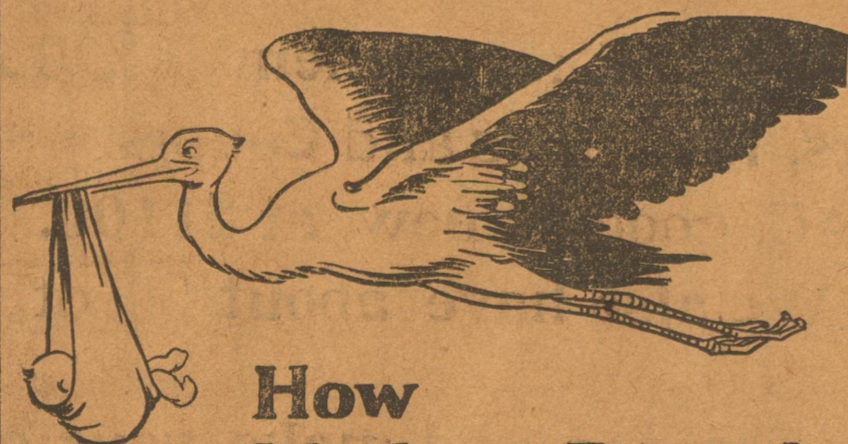
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Mrs. C. J. Hartman, Scranton, Pa., says: "With my first two children I had a doctor and a nurse, and then they had to use instruments, but with my last two children I used Mother's Friend and had only a nurse; we had no time to get a doctor, because I wasn't very sick—only about ten or fifteen minutes."

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ABILENE LOSES SEVEN PLAYERS BY GRADUATION

ABILENE, Jan. 3.—Abilene High school will be minus seven of her football stars next September, and they are the type of players who had a great deal to do with winning the state interscholastic championship.

The seven who have played their last game for Abilene are: Capt. Pete Hanna, Herring Bounds, Tubby Hembree, Dub Wooten, Roy Stephens, Watson and Rithwell.

WEST TEXAS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE DISTRICT CONVENTION PLANNED

EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—The West Texas Chamber of Commerce is planning to hold a series of district conventions over its territory, beginning with Colorado City. The local chamber of commerce, as soon as it ascertained this, immediately invited them to hold such a convention here, and today received word that one of these conventions would be held in Eastland at a date to be determined later.

This will draw a large crowd to this city, and the Chamber of Commerce is being congratulated upon getting the convention here.

EASTLAND GOLF CLUB HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING THIS MONTH

EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—Plans are being developed for the meeting of the Eastland Golf club early in this month. At this meeting the officers and directors of the club will be elected for the ensuing year.

Last Sunday's games marked the close of a very successful year for the club. In July of last year the club was host to golf players of West Texas on the occasion of the second annual invitation tournament.

ELECTRIC COMPANY MOVING TO NEW LOCATION ON SQUARE

EASTLAND, Jan. 3.—The City Electric company is moving its present location on the north side of the square to the Wolfe building on the south side of the square recently vacated by Wolf's clothing store. Only a part of the building is to be occupied by the electric company. The other half is to be occupied by Perry's studio, which is now located upstairs over the City Drug store.

L. B. Wright company will move from their present location on West Main street to the building on the north side of the square vacated by the City Electric company.

EASTLAND HIGH CAGERS TO MEET RANGER PLAYERS

RANGER, Jan. 3.—Ranger high basketball tossers will play a return game with Eastland high Saturday night at Eastland. The former beat the latter in the first tilt by a close score.

The schedule as outlined at a meeting of representatives of all of the high schools to determine the county championship will swing into action all over the county this week.

RANGER HIGH TO MEMBER PLAN TO GET ON PLAYS

RANGER, Jan. 3.—After the mid-term examinations are over at the Ranger high school, the "R" association will start rehearsals for several plays to be put on for the benefit of the association.

The association was organized in November and includes athletes of any of the major branches who have participated in so many regulation contests.



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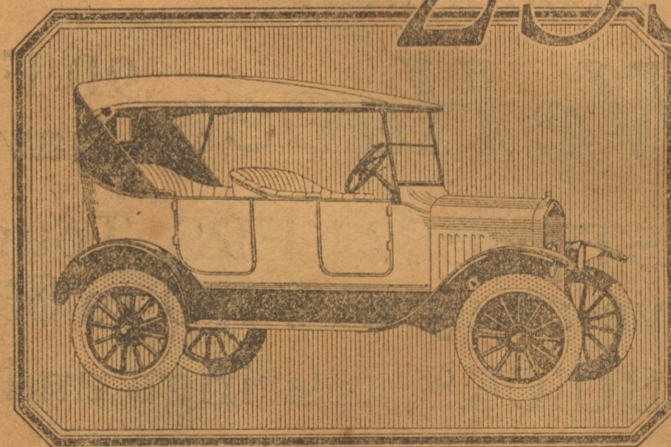
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