

Regulation Of Transient Merchants Studied Record Attendance Expected At Scout Meeting Tuesday

CITIZEN OF BIG SPRING



Photo by Bradshaw. B. F. ROBBINS

Since Sunday was the anniversary of Benjamin Franklin's birthday, it is fitting that this day be devoted to an interview with one of his numerous namesakes—Benjamin Franklin Robbins.

Mr. Robbins makes a statement that he says not every oil man can match; he went into the oil business without any money and has held his own in it all the way through.

He was born in Dalton, Ga., in 1871. His father moved to Fannin County in 1877 and settled near the site of the town of Trenton, then not in existence.

At 15 years old, I decided I wanted to be a cowboy. I saddled my horse and started west and arrived at the Three-Nine ranch in what is now Ford county, with only 10 cents in my pocket.

Harris Chief Speaker For Area Session

Vice - President Dillard Leads Hosts For Convention

As a result of the intense activity of the officers of the Buffalo Trails area, the largest convention of Scouters, ever to meet in one council is expected to assemble in Big Spring Tuesday for a half-day session.

The chief speaker of the occasion will be Stanley A. Harris, national director of inter-racial activities of the Boy Scouts of America, whose interest in scouting has occupied his time since 1907, when he organized a Boy Scout troop and became its Scoutmaster under the Aegis of British Scout authority.

In 1912 he became State Boys' Work Secretary of the Y.M.C.A. for Kentucky, resigning his Scoutmaster's position and was commissioned a Special Field Scout Commissioner by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

Mr. Harris will make an address at the banquet which will be held at the Settles Hotel at 6:30 in the evening; there will also be other entertainment features.

The meeting proper will commence at the Settles Hotel at 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. There will be three group meetings as follows: "Promotion, Administration, Finance," by Claude O. Crane, chairman; "Activities and Court of Honor," by the Rev. Winston F. Borum, chairman; and "Scoutmasters and Assistant Scoutmasters" by the Rev. John Thorns, with a complete program mapped out for each group.

Scouters are expected from Midland, Sweetwater, Rotan, Snyder, Loraine, Colorado, Coahoma, Odessa, Wink, Barstow, Balmorhea and Pecos.

To Speak Here



STANLEY A. HARRIS

The national director of inter-racial scouting for the Boy Scouts of America will be the principal speaker here Tuesday evening at the annual dinner of the Buffalo Trails Area council, to be held in the Settles hotel.

Bishop Mouzon Preaches Here

Charlotte, N.C., Clergyman In Profound Christian Lessons

After 1931, "a year of reevaluation," people throughout the world are turning, as man has turned through the centuries, to another more people are asking about God.

From the text "I Am The Way, The Truth and the Life" and "no man seeth the Father but by Me," the speaker taught a sound lesson and in teaching it showed that that very lesson was as efficacious today as at any time in the past.

Attempts have been made, and continue to be made, at tearing down the moral order," declared Mr. Mouzon. "We hear people attack conventional morality as if morality could be conventional.

He said in part: "The gospel of John is regarded as one of the greatest of all writings. The four gospels are much more than a biography of Jesus. They are not intended as what we now would term 'lives of our Lord.' The gospels are the living testimony of those who knew Jesus on earth.

Credit Men In Meeting Today

Local Association Manager Leads Discussion On Reports

Secretaries of Retail Merchants association of Central West Texas, convening in Abilene Monday at the Hilton Hotel, have slated a full one-day program of addresses and round table discussions on credit systems and problems and other affairs relative to their work in this area.

W. S. Pickett of San Angelo, president of the association, called the session to order at 9:30. T. N. Carnwell, secretary of the Abilene chamber of commerce, gave the welcome address, to which E. A. Beckham of Brownwood made the response.

"How one can get the members to report on all forms of delinquency—skips, charge-offs, chronically slow accounts closed, refused and repossessions," was the theme of the first discussion in charge of L. A. Eubanks of Big Spring.

Other speakers and their subjects follow: Mrs. N. P. Pollard of Sweetwater "Best Methods to Educate Members in Securing References from Applicants, Especially for Out-of-Town Reports."

The meeting was closed shortly after 3 in the afternoon.

Western Section of District 8 To Hold League Cage Meet Here

The western sectional basketball half tournament staged in the local gym in 1930, in two straight games. Last season the Big Spring Steers won the tournament staged in the Colorado gym and then defeated the Eagles likewise in straight contests.

RAILROAD CHIEFS IN CHICAGO FOR WAGE PARLEY



President of several of the nation's major railroads are shown as they gathered in Chicago for 1922 rail union officials representing more than 1,000,000 workers, to discuss wages and unemployment. Left to right, seated: L. A. Downs, Illinois Central; Daniel Willard, Baltimore and Ohio; J. J. Palley, New York, New Haven and Hartford; A. C. Needles, Norfolk and Western. Standing, left to right: J. E. Gorman, Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific; L. W. Baldwin, Missouri Pacific; C. A. Wickensham, Atlanta and West Point; H. D. Pollard, Central of Georgia; C. E. Denney, Erie.

Eagle Cove Five To Play Here Tonight

The Big Spring High cagers will meet the Eagle Cove quintet, winners of the Odessa invitational tournament staged last week-end, in a two game series Monday and Tuesday evenings. It was announced by Coach George Brown today, both games will be played in the local gym.

The Eagle Cove club will bring a fast-breaking, clever team against the Steers in what should be an exciting two game series. Farmer and Stephenson led the Calahan county club to the championship of the Odessa meet, being extended only in their semi-final match with the Lomax Hornets, and merited berths on the all tournament team.

Ex-Service Men To Meet Tonight

All ex-service men are urgently requested to meet at the Settles Hotel at 7:30 o'clock this evening for a conference on the immediate payment of the balance of adjusted service certificates.

Emma Louise Freeman Severely Injured In Sunday Motor Crash

Emma Louise Freeman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. Freeman and Marie Vick, her companion in the Freeman automobile, suffered severe injuries Sunday afternoon when their machine was struck by another at Sixth and South Scurry streets.

2-Day Series Of Meetings Started Here

Stanley To Discuss Prices Cutting At Settles This Evening

How can cities operating under Home Rule charters enforce ordinances aimed at restriction of operations of "transient" merchants?

Legal phases of the question of proposed local or state legislation upon the subject were brought out by Thomas J. Coffee, city attorney.

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Unemployed Aid Measure Is Approved

WASHINGTON (AP)—The senate manufacturers' subcommittee approved unanimously the LaFollette-Costigan bill appropriating \$250,000,000 this winter and \$250,000,000 next fiscal year for direct relief of unemployed.

Dr. Hardy, Head Of Baylor College To Speak Here

The first district meeting of the Baylor College campaign will be held in Big Spring Thursday with representatives from the Baptist churches of the associations which comprise District 8 of the Baptist organization gathering at the First Baptist Church.

Milk And Ice Men Convene Jointly

FORT WORTH (AP)—Dairy industry leaders from many parts of Texas and adjoining states arrived for collaborative session of the Texas Ice Cream Manufacturers Association and Milk Dealers Association of Texas.

Personally Speaking

Mr. R. J. Fass has returned to her home in Rosenberg, after a very pleasant visit in the home of her brother, Bandmaster and Mrs. G. A. Hartman. While she was here, she went with her host and hostess to San Angelo to visit relatives.

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Of vital interest to all merchants, who are called because of the permanence of their residence, the value to the community as taxpayers and employers, is the discussion held today noon between city commissioners, Chamber of Commerce officials and Mr. Stanley, the trade extension director of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce on methods whereby so-called "transient" merchandisers may be regulated.

Free trade cannot be restrained legally. But there are state laws setting up occupation taxes under which it is believed by many cities may collect licenses fees that would bring some benefit to the public treasury if they did not serve to exclude "transients."

Counterfeit Bills Passed

Two Men Being Held Here Pending Finger Print Reports

Two men were being held here Monday pending reports on fingerprint records, in connection with the passing Saturday of one or more spurious \$10 bills.

The local activities of counterfeiters were practically coincident with similar operations in Midland, Odessa, Colorado and Sweetwater.

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The Weather

By U. S. Weather Bureau Big Spring, Texas Jan. 18, 1932

Table with weather conditions, temperatures, and forecasts for various locations including Big Spring, West Texas, East Texas, and New Mexico.

The Herald's All-Star Page Of Comics And Features

Daily Cross Word Puzzle

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for 'ACROSS' and 'DOWN'. Includes solutions for 'Yesterday's Puzzle' and 'Solution of Yesterday's Puzzle'.

REG'LAR FELLERS



Brains Versus Brawn



PA'S SON-IN-LAW



Pa To The Rescue



DIANA DANE

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Dad Thinks The Best Is Too Good!



Daily Radio Program

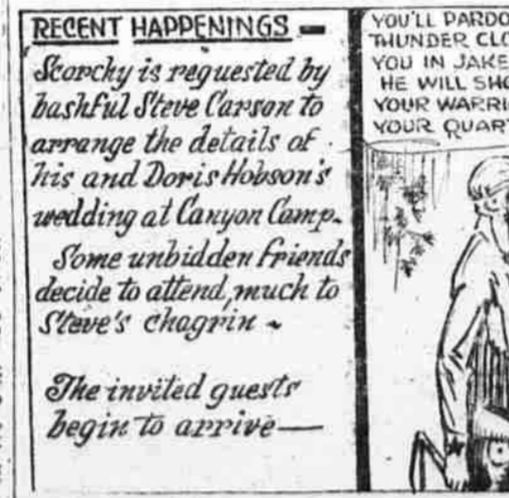
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6:00-Lumber Jacks - Also WWJ

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For The Men Folks Only

by John C. Terry

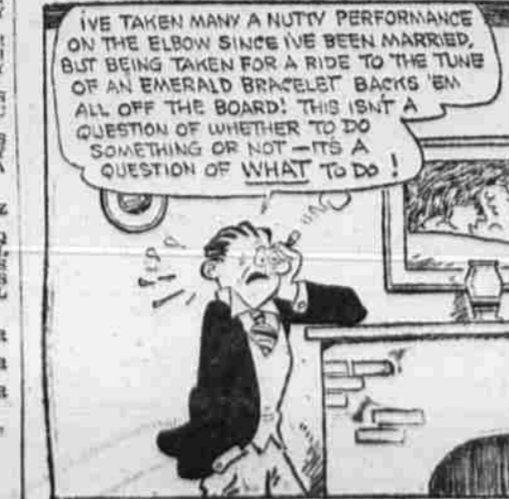


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He'd Better Be A Magician

by Fred Locher



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SO SAYS HOUSTON HARTE

The opinions of these men are decidedly worth your reading.

PRICE CAMPBELL

President West Texas Utilities Company, Abilene, Texas

"The money I subscribe to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce is the best investment this company makes for the development of West Texas—the land of opportunity."

C. M. CALDWELL

Abilene, Texas

"I believe the affairs of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce are in safe, conservative and intelligent hands."

AMON G. CARTER

Publisher, Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Fort Worth, Texas

"The West Texas Chamber of Commerce is the best organization of its kind in the country, and all West Texans should be proud of it and support it in every way possible at all times."

WILBUR C. HAWK

Publisher, Amarillo News-Globe, Amarillo, Texas

"The tax program of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce alone is worth all the money the organization costs to maintain."

O. B. MARTIN

Director, Texas Agricultural Extension Service, College Station

"The West Texas Chamber of Commerce initiated the movement for drought relief in Texas, and also rendered great service in securing aid from Washington, as well as similar helpfulness in getting it to the people. I doubt very much whether the funds for the drought work would have been applied to Texas to any considerable extent but for the activity of the organization."

J. S. BRIDWELL

Oil Producer, Wichita Falls, Texas

"The West Texas Chamber of Commerce has done a great deal towards the development of West Texas, and has brought about a better understanding among the citizenship of the different communities in West Texas to help West Texas get recognition that otherwise it would not have received. The organization is entitled to the support and confidence of the citizenship of this vast empire in West Texas."

C. N. BASSETT

President, State National Bank, El Paso

"It is just dawning upon me that we have in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce the best possible agency through which to solve our state and regional problems."

R. L. MALONE

Merchant, Roswell, N. M.

"Eastern New Mexico has received much help from the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in the promotion of tourist travel to our scenic attractions. Each community in New Mexico has received adequate dividends on its memberships. This cooperation has been of value also to the people of West Texas in bringing to their very door these great recreational opportunities."

W. H. BOWMAN

Macmillan Publishing Company, Dallas, Texas

"From a publicity standpoint, the work done by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce in correcting the geographies was worth many times any one year's budget."

H. S. HILBURN

Publisher, Plainview Evening Herald, Plainview, Texas

"The savings to cotton shippers because of reduced freight rates brought about through the efforts of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce amount to many, many times the money the affected territory pays into the organization's treasury in several years. Other reductions followed, but shippers must realize the immense savings early in the season, the direct result of West Texas Chamber of Commerce activities."

--and so say scores of other West Texas business leaders who are affiliated with this organization. And so you will say!

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Your help is needed to make 1932 the Banner year for West Texas

January 18th, the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will launch its 1932 Membership Campaign, simultaneously in the 130 towns affiliated with it.

The sum of \$60,000 is needed and asked for, to carry on the Work Program.

This organization is 13 years old. It is one of the oldest and is the largest organization of its kind in the country. From the 130 affiliated towns it draws a democratic directorate of 113 members, an executive board of 14 members, 18 committees with definite work programs, and four headquarters and branch offices. Its magazine, WEST TEXAS TODAY, is an old, well-established, powerful medium for the promotion of the territory served.

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce is NOT an opportunist type of organization. Its work is done according to a plan, the policies of which are determined by its annual conventions, which are the largest of their kind in the United States. Its directorate is completely representative and democratic. There are no paid membership solicitors... **EVERY DOLLAR RAISED GOES TO CARRY ON THE WORK PROGRAM**

The West Texas Chamber of Commerce has no debts, but is on a "Pay as you go" basis.

Every West Texas town should be affiliated with the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. An affiliation gives your town the benefit of the force of all other West Texas towns behind your regional problems. The cost of affiliation is small, the procedure simple. All that is required is that your town meet its prorata part of our budget; and that from our membership in your town, you yourself elect your director.

The opportunity of enrolling in this unselfish, efficient and vital organization is yours this week. It will be brought to you, not by paid solicitors, but by a committee of your own fellow townsmen, donating their time in behalf of a worthy cause.

**CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEET
West Texas Chamber of Commerce**

The assets of this organization are in its WORK PROGRAM; its liabilities, the cost of putting over the program.

Within the past biennium the accomplishments of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, measured in dollars and cents, would, according to the most reasonable figuring, amount to \$23,824,782. They would include, to take a few at random, the following whose cash returns can be exactly stated:

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| The Chamber fathered, and was the agency contacted by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, in production and food loans, enabling the farming of 1,500,000 acres of Texas land not otherwise possible. Amount loaned by government to 15,000 farmers in 67 West Texas counties was: | \$2,403,360 |
| Secured \$7.50 exemption per bale from government mortgage—150,000 bales of West Texas cotton at \$7.50 per bale, amounts to: | \$1,125,000 |
| Secured consent of government to collateralize production loans on basis of 8-cent cotton. Saving on 75,000 bales at 3 cents over the market was: | \$1,125,000 |
| First to solicit Red Cross aid, resulting in securing assistance for drought defined area of West Texas. Cash allotment made, \$45,000; food and clothing, \$59,422, making a total of: | \$104,422 |

In the way of estimated, deferred and intangible assets, completing the total of \$23,824,782, the Chamber secured equalization of cotton rates, overcoming differential in South Plains area; secured cotton rate reductions for same territory; forced corrections in geographies used in 38 states which now, for first time, are giving West Texas a "break"; pioneered and championed conservation of natural resources, validation of land titles, needed constitutional amendments; passage of relinquishment act; split tax bill; reduced public expenditures with a view of tax reduction, etc., etc.

Liabilities for 1932 are \$60,000. This is the budget, the sum required in the Work Program, to be carried on by the following committees, already organized and functioning: Officers, Agricultural, Livestock, Mineral Survey, Industrial, National Affairs, Oil and Gas, Land, Educational, Tax, Traffic, Publicity and World's Fair Exhibit, Parks, Railway, Highway, Legislative Bureau and Committee, Speakers Bureau, Industrial Opportunities Bureau, and Beautification Committee.

A small investment in the West Texas Chamber of Commerce will pay greatest dividends.

(Signed) Houston Harte, President A. J. Swenson, Treasurer
 Wilbur C. Hawk, Vice-President D. A. Bantjen, Manager
 Spencer Wells, Vice-President

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