

# The Borden Citizen

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## Mrs. D. W. Godwin Dead

Below we give excerpts from an article appearing in the Fort Worth Record upon the death of Mrs. D. W. Godwin, whose husband is well known here:

Sunday afternoon Oct 17 Mrs Alice Godwin, wife of D. W. Godwin, was buried from the home of her parents on Fourth and Lamar streets. The spacious home was crowded with relatives and friends. Most elaborate floral offerings gave beautiful testimony of the high esteem in which she was held. In addition to the flowers sent by friends in the city, several beautiful floral designs came from Murray, Ky. the home of her childhood and the place of her unexpected and sudden death.

Mrs. Godwin was born in Murray, Ky. Jan. 10, 1864. She was the first born daughter of Col. R. L. Ellison and wife, who later came to Fort Worth. Jan. 10, 1883, in Paris, Tenn., where her parents then lived, she was married to D. W. Godwin, a prominent young cattleman of Fort Worth. She is survived by her parents, a brother, T. H. Ellison, of Fort Worth, her husband and four sons, Ellison, who lives in Omaha, Neb., Joseph, of Fort Worth, Ryan and Gardner, now in college in Lebanon, Tenn.

I will fill your 5-gallon can with the very best coal oil for 75 cents until 500 gallons I have on hand is exhausted. Supply yourself for the winter,

L. A. Pearce.

J. A. Scarlett and J. W. Chandler will leave Sunday for Snyder where they have important business engagements.

W. K. Clark paid Coahoma a business visit the first of the week.

## Notice

All hunting or wood hauling in either mine or the Prince pasture is strictly forbidden. I will prosecute all trespassing to the limit. J. C. Dorward.

## District Court

We are informed that District Court will convene here Monday. A grand and petit jury will have to be summoned after the arrival of Judge Shepherd, hence it will probably be Wednesday or Thursday before any cases can be tried. Only two cases are now on the docket, the civil suit of Henry Hollar vs Ben Frost, and the criminal case of the State vs Clyde Willis, charged with attempted murder. Park Adams, charged with theft, is under bond to await the action of the grand jury.

For a limited time will sell you gasoline for 20 cents a gallon. Will fill your 5-gallon can with best Eupion oil for 85 cents.

J. W. Chandler.

## Singing Convention

At Mesquite school house near Tredway on the 5th Sunday in this month. The classes from the different places in the county are requested to send representatives or come in a body. An interesting and instructive time is assured.

## Crescent Commercial College

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H. H. Nisbett was in town Tuesday. He informed us that he had just completed a \$3,000 residence for Joe Wicker at Durham.

The Citizen will appreciate it if our readers will kindly hand us each week all the local news they may know. This will greatly assist us in thoroughly covering the local field.

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**On The Line**

The Chief Engineer of the Texas Central Ry., was in the city Wednesday accompanied by his co-laborers. He expressed himself well pleased with Fluvanna and her surrounding country. The party was taken from here out over the proposed route of the Texas Central from Fluvanna up Moore's draugh to the cap rock. Of course we could not get anything definite to give our readers, only that the Chief Engineer expressed himself surprised at the easy accessibility of reaching the plains over the Moore draugh route. We may be able soon to tell our readers just what route the Texas Central will take. That the road will build to Fluvanna in the near future is a two to one bet.—Fluvanna Herald.

That two to one bet is easy money, Bro. Scott. If we would bet on a cinch we would call the money. It is a foregone conclusion that the Texas Central railroad will build by Snyder and Gail and on to the plains. We have the most accessible point on the cap rock for a railroad grade and the T. C. officials know it. We wish Fluvanna all the good things it can get, but please don't try to convince the world at large that every railroad and every important industry is coming to Fluvanna, for sooner or later they will find you have deceived them.

**The Toilers**

Those really deserving of commendation are the toilers. Those who meet each day, with a fixed purpose in view, and keep the faith by doing fully the things in life their hands find to do. Life is not real to those who do not labor. They only a vague conception of what life means and they are the class who ask is it worth the living? Life is lovely to those who have a task to perform and who feel that it is duty. To earn ones bread by the sweat of the brow means to keep a healthy physical and mental force. Force is the driving power of life and it is a result of cultivation. The digestive organs cannot perform their functions satisfactorily unless one takes proper exercise and to live an enjoyable life we must have a healthy digestion. Work broadens the perspective. If we labor we become interested in the affairs of men. The toilers are the greatest of all classes. Labor is not confined to any class, but it is one of the requirements of all classes. All forms of development must look for its advancement to those who are willing workers in the field of endeavor. The toilers are the salt of the earth. The world owes to them a debt of gratitude for all accomplishments known to the world. They should be given full credit for what they have done and are doing, for without them life would become a dreary waste and the wheels of progress would soon clog. If you are not of the toilers have enough decency to at least grant them their just due.—Lubbock Avalanche.

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Jno. R. Williams, Sheriff  
J S Weatherford, Clerk  
S. L. Jones, Tax Assessor  
M H Leske, Treasurer  
H R Debenport, Attorney  
Court convenes 1st Monday in February, May, August and November.

**Precint Officers**

J. N. Hopkins, J. P. Precit 1  
J. C. Miller, J. P. Precit. 3  
E. F. Wicker, J. P. Precit. 4,

**Commissioners**

F M Christopher, Precit. No. 1  
Francis Abney, " " 2  
Walter Bishop, " " 3  
C E Reeder, " " 4

**Secret Orders**

Masons meet on Saturday night on or preceding the full moon.  
W. O. W. meets 1st Saturday night after each full moon and on Saturday night two weeks thereafter.  
Gail Commercial Club meets 2nd Thursday night of each month.

**Churches**

Methodist preaching every 4th Sunday, Rev. J L B Cash, preacher in charge.  
Church of Christ Church meeting every Lords day at 2:30 p. m.  
Ladies Home Mission Society meets at the church Thursday before the 1st Sunday in each month.  
ayer Meeting

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Ben Ford, Editor

G A Giesler Manager

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### ADVERTISING RATES.

Display ads, one inch per double column, \$1.00. per month.

Local ads, first insertion 10 cents per line, five cents per line for each insertion thereafter.

All ads Placed in the Citizen without a specified time to run will be charged for all ordered out.

Gail, Texas, Oct. 28, 1909

## A Deplorable Condition

We need not argue the fact that the streets in Gail are getting in a deplorable condition. There is just one remedy for it and that is work. Unless worked before that time, the spring rains will cause them to be almost impassable. It is not a very good advertisement for a town to have its streets in the condition ours are in at present. If the county will not cause this work to be done, civic pride should be enough to cause the citizens to dig out of their own pockets and do the work.

Not only our streets, but every public road in the county, so far as we have traveled them, need working and that badly. The stranger traveling these roads would very naturally conclude that the county taken no interest in progress and development. Good roads and streets are very essential to the development of towns and counties and enough pressure should be brought to bear to cause this work to be done and that immediately.

Railroad building is becoming very active in West Texas and it is hardly probable that Gail will fail to land some of the many chances it has to secure railway connections with the outside world.

If our Commissioners Court at their coming term should order a little work done on our public highways, the people of Borden county would be under lasting obligations to them.

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Dispatches state that President Taft actually observed the workings of a cotton gin on his brother's vast ranch. If this would have caused him to repent in any way upon his tariff ideas which are oppressing the cotton producers, the \$25,000 that was put up for his pleasure jaunt would have been well spent. However it is a doubtful proposition, with the evidence at hand supporting the doubt.

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The Citizen is in receipt of the industrial edition of the Hill County Record, of which A. M. Kennedy former Speaker of the Texas House of Representatives, is editor. It was a very creditable edition.

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The State ranger force is being severely criticised by some of the Texas press. Some very rank indiscretions are placed to the credit of the ranger force, but taken all in all, we believe it is very essential if the State laws are to be effectively enforced.

OO

Congressman W. R. Smith is a candidate for re-election to Congress from this district. Judge Smith has served his people and his party well. His votes have always been cast in favor of the masses and in accordance with the platforms of his party, and the people are satisfied with his services. He does not need to tour the Jumbo district to explain his record. His constituency is proud of both the man and the record and will no doubt honor him with re election without opposition.

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### The Comets Narrative

Whitney Messenger: Frank E. Seagrave, a Providence, R. I. astronomer whose calculations relative to Halley's comet have attracted widespread attention, announces that the correction of a slight error in calculation has developed the discovery that on May 19, 1910, the comet will reach the plane of the earth in its orbit. It is therefore determined that the tail of the comet will sweep across this plane instead of clearing it. The earth and the comet will meet on the same plane, but not in the same path. The nearest dividing distance will be 13,000,000 miles. The fan of the comet's tail, according to Seagrave, will spread out and for a short period the earth will find itself swept by "star dust" brought from many

millions of miles beyond the furthest known comet. "There need be no scare over the approaching event," said he. "Nothing will happen. The end of the world will not come. It will be nothing more than we passed through on June 10, 1861, when the earth swept the comet. The nearest it could come would be 6,235,000 miles."

### For Re-election

El Paso, Tex., Oct. 18.—Hon. W. R. Smith announced while here attending the meeting of the Presidents that he would be a candidate for re-election to Congress. Both Mayor Sweeney and Congressman Smith deny that there ever existed any compact between them whereby Mr. Smith was to retire in favor of Mayor Sweeney. While not de-

nying he had aspirations to become a member of Congress, Mayor Sweeney said that Mr. Smith was a most valuable member and a friend to El Paso and that under no circumstances would he be a candidate against him.

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Miss Briscoe, of Sweetwater, arrived in the city Monday and has accepted a position in the office of Thornton & Pearce,

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J. C. Dorward spent Friday in Fluvanna.

The young people had an enjoyable party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hollar Friday night.

A. R. Gray and little daughter were in from the south part of the county Saturday.

County Commissioner F. M. Christopher spent Saturday night in town.

Rev. Cash delivered two excellent discourses at the church Sunday. In the morning his subject was "Christian Perfection" and at night his sermon was addressed to the young people. Bro. Cash is a forceful speaker and is always listened to attentively by his audiences.

Double your earning capacity by attending the Crescent Commercial College, Snyder.

The young people enjoyed a party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Smith Saturday night.

A few young people met at the home of W. K. Clark Saturday night and danced a few hours.

M. J. Thornton spent Saturday night in the Julia neighborhood.

Messrs S. C. Gentry, Claud E. Jones, A. R. Clary and W. L. Fletcher, county commissioners, J. E. Robinson, county clerk, of Anson, and E. G. Withers, of Stamford, passed thru Monday en route to the plains.

## Home Enterprise

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The Gail Mill.

Messrs Fullilove and Pearce were in from the ranch Monday.

T. C. Gober and family left Tuesday for New Mexico where they will make their future home. Gail regrets very much to lose this estimable family but wishes them every success in their new home.

H. C. Jolly last week purchased the Cotten residence in the north part of town and is moving in this week. We gladly welcome this family.

Several Gailites will attend the Singing Convention at Tredway Sunday.

The farewell party given by Misses Eula and Lula Gober Monday night was greatly enjoyed by the young people present.

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**For False Arrest**

San Antonio, Texas, Oct. 20—Because he was imprisoned during President Taft's visit here, John Murray today filed suit for \$25,000 damages against John E. Wilke, chief of the United States secret service, and Joe Priest, a local detective and Fred H. Lancaster, deputy United States marshal.

Murray alleged that he was jailed on false charge during Taft's stay here. He is secretary of the Political Refugees' Defense League and was arrested, charged with violating neutrality laws. He was released Monday afternoon on account of lack of evidence.

Dallas, Oct. 20—Frank Goodal in a dirigible balloon at the state fair grounds this morning circled the race track. The spectacular flight was witnessed by twenty thousand persons.

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Our books are closed for the season and all goods must be sold for spot cash. Please remember this.

We are needing all the money that is due us and request all who are indebted to us to call around at once and make settlement. Please attend to this promptly. Very truly,

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