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The Runnels County Fair, Fire Prevention Week and the Red Cross roll call are three events confronting the people of Ballinger that are worthy of their full support.

One more week and then the Runnels County Fair. Interest is becoming keen and many citizens are giving their time to do special work for the county show.

Gas rates are being probed in a number of West Texas cities but no official announcements have been made on the subject to date.

Cotton pickers are still needed in this county and Tuesday it was estimated that 2,000 pickers could find jobs within a few hours.

The city commission of Ballinger struck the right note this week when it announced a reduction in the tax rate for the ensuing year.

It will only be a short time until Runnels county will have another all-weather road. Brown & Root are surfacing highway No. 4 and completing the road as they go.

The construction work on the overpass and Elm Creek bridge on highway 23 is expected to get underway within the next thirty days or a little over.

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Cotton men of the most conservative type now estimate the Runnels county cotton crop at 75,000 bales or more and predict it will set a new record.

agreed upon was between 50,000 and 60,000 bales, but since picking began farmers who were anticipating a yield of one-third a bale per acre are gathering from one-half to three-quarters on the first picking.

If there was ever a time in the history of West Texas when home dollars should be spent at home it is now. Many people are beginning to realize this and are striving to buy all their wants here.

Patrons of The Daily Ledger for the past 25 years and over have expressed regret at suspension of the publication on October 1 but are lining up with the semi-weekly in a wonderful way.

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Fire losses in Texas for August of this year amounted to \$920,652.60 with unknown causes furnishing about 40 per cent of the total.

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MY INVENTION TODAY IS TO MAKE KINKY HAIR STRAIGHT. DOG (A) PEEKS IN WINDOW AND FRIGHTENS PORCUPINE (B). PORCUPINE SHOOTS QUILLS WHICH BURST BALLOON (C) THUS ALLOWING FLAT IRON (D) TO DROP. IN DRIPPING, IRON PULLS BRICK (E) OFF LID OF JACK-IN-THE-BOX (F) - JACK-IN-THE-BOX POPS OUT AND SCARES LADY (G) SO BADLY THAT HER KINKY HAIR BECOMES ABSOLUTELY STRAIGHT.

Belgian Scientist to Tell America His Theory of the Empty Universe

By Edward Stanley LEYDEN, Holland, Sept. 30.—(AP)—The world seems to have two kinds of important scientists—those it catches up in a blaze of adulation and those that it misses.

One of the latter is going from this quiet Dutch town this fall to America, for the first time, to lecture at various universities, particularly Harvard and the University of California.

He is Dr. Willem de Sitter, celebrated astronomer, and he probably will lecture on his theory of the universe, which is one of the three world-theories.

It is this theory which has made him an important scientist, aside from the fact that he is a professor in Leyden University and director of the observatory. It has provided scientific excitement for 10 years.

Dr. de Sitter's theory is that this is an empty world. That is to say, space is so much vaster in relation to matter, such as planets, suns, and so on, that it simply doesn't count.

It should be explained that he does not believe that his theory fits present conditions. But it will be true, he believes, in some billions of years.

His theory is known as "de Sitter's world" and it was developed after Einstein had advanced the theory that the world, or the universe, was static. It was balanced and had no systematic motion.

This didn't satisfy Dr. de Sitter, and after a year he advanced an exactly opposite theory.

Later, Lemaitre, the Belgian scientist, combined the two theories, in effect, to explain things as they are today. This is

without any thought as to whose property is in danger and give every effort possible to save the building in flames and to protect other adjacent property.

With only two fairs operating in this section this year it will be an easy matter to feature a special day called "Delegation Day" and play host to a number of out-of-town bands and visitors.

Mrs. Towner Dickinson and baby of Carrizo Springs, are here visiting Mrs. Dickinson's father, A. F. Graf.

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the theory that Dr. de Sitter accepts for the astronomical motion.

But recent observations by American astronomers have indicated that the Lemaitre theory will hold good only for this age. This age, as stars go, will be a good many millions of years.

Then Dr. de Sitter's theory will

become operative. Thus he has a double object in visiting America. Besides his lectures, he will meet the men and see the observatories where support for his theory originated.

These observations revealed that the matter in the universe, star clusters, etc., are growing farther apart, retreating from each other.

Redistricting Bill May be Taken Up

AUSTIN, Sept. 30.—It is persistently reported here today that Governor Ross S. Sterling will submit the congressional redistricting issue to the legislature.

Senator W. R. Poage introduced a redistricting bill so to be ready for the governor's predicted action.

Representative Penrose B. Metcalfe, author of another redistricting bill, said he hoped there would be no submission of the issue at this time since the subject is controversial and would require much time.

AUSTIN, Sept. 30.—The Senate today resolved itself into a court of impeachment to try District Judge J. B. Price of Bastrop, who is accused of negligence in approving the excessive fees for mileage claims of sheriffs in his district.

Three sheriffs in Judge Price's district are under indictment in connection with receiving excessive fees for mileage.

The House today awaited the bill passed by the Senate to allow the state to drill for oil in the bed of the Sabine River.

Weather Delays Pacific Flight

SAMUSHIRO, Japan, Sept. 30.—Clyde Pangborn and Hugh Herndon, Jr., today delayed their Pacific flight until tomorrow, when they expect to hop off if the weather is favorable.

The Japanese newspaper Asahi offers \$25,000 for the first flight across the Pacific, and Col. W. E. Easterwood the same sum for a Japan to Dallas flight.

The Americans intend to fly high after partial consumption of fuel to lighten the plane and get the benefit of prevailing westerly winds.

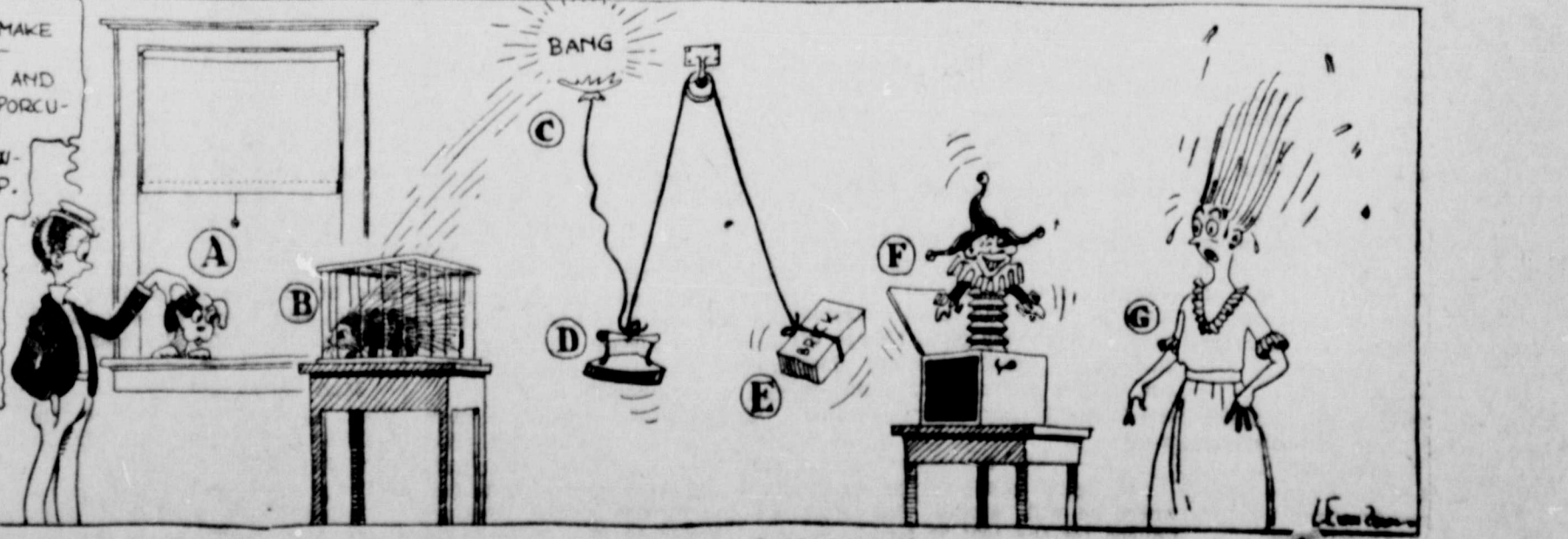
Mrs. Chas. Eyster, of Temple is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Butler and other relatives. The University of Illinois is changing its law school program to allow students to specialize in law as in medicine.

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"THE MAIN THING ON MAIN STREET"

Daily Buzz MAIN STREET'S ORIGINAL NEWSPAPER. LATEST INVENTION REMOVES KINKS. CURLY HAIR IS O.K., BUT NOBODY LIKES KINKY HAIR - SO T. EDISON SMITH, MAIN STREET'S BOY INVENTOR, HAS DEVISED A PLAN FOR REMOVING THE KINKS.



By L. F. Van Zelm

