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## Oil Advisory Committee Meets in Secret Session

(By Associated Press)  
AMARILLO, July 7.—Seven members of the oil states advisory committee, including Chairman Cicero Murray, of Oklahoma, met in an executive session here today. Local operators and newspapermen were barred although the committee planned to have luncheon with the Panhandle operators.

Murray said a discussion of the general oil situation was planned. He asserted that proration for East Texas fields remained the major problem and predicted crude prices would rise within ten days if Governor Sterling called a special session of the Texas legislature. He said crude would be selling at \$1 per barrel if the East Texas fields had been handled properly.

### MASONIC VISITORS HERE MONDAY NIGHT

Out-of-town visitors numbered thirty-five at the Masonic session here Monday night when a degree team of certificate men from Eden gave two master's degrees to local candidates. The Eden team was headed by Carroll Fulcher, district deputy grand master, and visitors came from a number of lodges in this section. A good crowd was present and the work witnessed was enjoyed by every member of the lodge present.

The local lodge will conduct installation ceremonies for the newly elected officers on next Tuesday evening, July 14, and all members of lodge No. 643 are urged to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Woolsey of Austin are here for a few days visit with Mr. and Mrs. K. V. Northington and Mr. Woolsey is looking after business for the firm Brown & Root.

## Program at Bethel Tomorrow Evening

The first of a series of programs will be staged at Bethel Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of raising money with which to send boys and girls to the short course at A. & M. College on July 27. The program will start in the open air at the Bethel school house Wednesday evening at 8:00 and a full evening's entertainment of stunts and good amusements will be given by the people of that community. The Citizen's Band, under the direction of C. T. Grant will be on the job to make music and assist the Bethel people with the program.

The money to be raised will come from the sale of cold drinks, ice cream, cakes and other things in concessions and all of the profits will be used to finance the taking of a large crowd from that community to the short course. The Bethel people hoped to send about twenty on the special train this year to attend the weeks program at College Station.

Ballinger people are urged to attend Wednesday evening and enjoy a real get-together at Bethel.

C. W. Lehmburg stated Tuesday morning that he expected 65 to 70 to board the special here on July 26. The train will be made up at San Angelo and will arrive at Ballinger at 8:30 and at College Station at about 4 that same afternoon. The round trip fare is \$6.80 board and room while at the college will be \$6.50 and a little money will be needed for meals enroute. Mr. Lehmburg urges that anyone attending to make registrations with either himself if it is man or boy, and women with Mrs. Lura Kingsworth. A registration fee of \$1.50 will be charged which will be deducted from the board and room later.

The crowd this year is expected to be about the same in size as in former years. There will be plenty of rooms this year as three additional dormitories have been opened for use to the club people and everyone will be able to secure rooms in these places.

Helen Mosk and Robert Mosk of Nacogdoches are here visiting with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. King and family and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Holt.

## Burning Gusher is Stopped by Blast

(By Associated Press)  
TYLER, Tex., July 7.—A giant charge of nitro-glycerine today extinguished the burning Tulsa Oil Company's No. 1 Quinn well near Overton. The gusher had been shooting flames for three weeks.

The charge was placed by Floyd Kinley, one of the brothers who extinguished the blazing well near Gladewater that killed nine men recently.

The Tulsa company's well is still spouting oil and gas and a crew will try to cap it later. Two shots yesterday failed to snuff it out.

## Man Burned in Gas Drum Explosion Dies

(By Associated Press)  
TYLER, Tex., July 7.—C. G. Thomas, 25, refinery employee, died of burns received Sunday when a gasoline drum exploded.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ENJOY DELIGHTFUL PICNIC

The Sunday school classes taught by Miss Zeddie Royalty and Mrs. A. B. Legate enjoyed a picnic Thursday of last week at the City Park. Each member brought a basket lunch and their families gathered for the spread. About 40 persons were present and all reported a fine time.

Scratch Pads, 20c per pound, at Ledger office.

## Program is Ready For Pecan Men

Pecan growers of this section of West Texas will gather at the Bert Fletcher place near Maverick on Friday, July 10. The program has been arranged and some of the outstanding men in the industry will be present to discuss means for the improving of groves to secure a better yield. The program will start at 10 in the morning when Larkin Hayley, president of the Runnels county organization, welcomes the visitors.

A feature of the program will be a basket picnic at noon Friday when the men and their families will spread a table under the shade of the trees and plenty of time will be given to this part of the day's entertainment. The afternoon session will begin at 2 o'clock and close at 5.

Aside from educational talks and lectures a number of demonstrations will be given to show growers the correct method of doing work on the trees. The last feature of the day will be a tour of the Fletcher grove and inspecting the work done there in recent years.

Following is the program for the day:

- 10 a. m.—Roll call
- 10:10—Address of welcome, Larkin Hayley, president, Runnels county association
- 10:25—Response, C. W. Lehmburg, county agent, Runnels county
- 10:40—"Cutting and Storing Bud Wood," Ross Wolfe, Stephenville
- 11:00—"Behavior of Different Varieties of Pecans in West Texas," James T. Kelly, state department of agriculture
- 11:20—"Pecan Developments in My County," C. V. Robinson, county agent, Coleman county; W. I. Marshall, county agent, Tom Green county; Roy Terry, county agent, Concho county; B. J. Baskin, county agent, Coke county; C. Metz Heald, county agent, Taylor county.
- 12:15 to 2:00 p. m.—Basket dinner on grounds.
- 2:00—"Pecan Marketing Problems," H. G. Lucas, president American Pecan Growers' Association.
- 2:45—"Improving a Native Pecan Grove by Top Working," J. L. Rainey, San Angelo.
- 3:15—"Pecan budding and grafting demonstration," Ross Wolfe and J. L. Rainey
- 4:00—Educational tour of the Fletcher grove.

## Bare Chicago Treasury Hinders Cermak In Move to End Hand-to-Mouth System

(By Associated Press)  
CHICAGO, July 7.—The good ship Chicago, buffeted by years of financial storms, still founders in a sea of debts—with no land in sight.

In desperation Chicago's new political pilots are trying to find a way out, but so far they have encountered only new rocks of opposition.

For years Chicago's city government has operated on a hand-to-mouth basis. Mounting costs and tax tangles have piled one acute situation on top of another.

The treasury has been empty more often than not, with payless paydays for city employees and school teachers. Each year has seen an increased deficit.

Just now the city seeks almost any remedy to ease the accumulated burden of nearly \$200,000,000 in obligations.

And the financial fate of the nation's second city seems to rest on the uncertain tide of Chicago and Illinois politics.

Mayor Anton J. Cermak, who inherited an empty treasury and millions in debts from the regime of William Hale "Big Bill" Thompson, has approached the dilemma from two angles:

He has urged revision of the laws to simplify Chicago's taxation machinery and to put teeth in the Illinois property tax law, and he has moved to cut city expenses. On both counts he has been balked, more or less.

Illinois legislators turned a deaf ear to his pleas for new tax laws, but Gov. Louis L. Emmerson expressed a willingness to call a special session if Chicago and Cook county draft a set of measures "to avert a breakdown of local government."

Mayor Cermak cut the city's 1931 payroll by more than \$5,000,000 by dismissing 3,000 temporary employees, but the city council shielded at his proposal to save \$2,400,000 by compelling all city employees to take two weeks' vacation without pay.

The city payroll, however, was reduced from \$4,734,627 in March, Thompson's last month, to \$3,363,976 in May—a difference of \$1,370,651.

"I expect considerable opposition to the payless vacation plan," Cermak said, "but we can't eat



Mayor Anton J. Cermak, at the helm of the good ship Chicago, has a difficult task in bringing it safely past the financial rocks and shoals on its route. His chief adviser in the cost-cutting campaign is Col. Albert Sprague (inset).

our pie and save it. It's not a question now of eating pie. Mr. Thompson ate it all."

Cermak's chief cohort in his money-saving campaign is his commissioner of public works, Col. Albert A. Sprague, a suave, astute veteran of Chicago's politics.

Summarized briefly, this is Chicago's financial plight:

Unpaid anticipation warrants issued by the city and school board total approximately \$175,000,000, with interest accruing at nearly \$9,000,000 yearly.

Unpaid payrolls recently have varied from \$2,700,000 to \$5,000,000. Unpaid school payrolls totaled \$9,736,000 when schools closed in June.

July 1 interest on the city's full faith and credit obligations or on bonded debts totaled \$2,900,000. Interest totaling \$460,000 was due by the school board.

Interest-bearing judgments against the city exceed \$8,000,000,

with interest.

The city has unexpended bond and trust funds of \$30,000,000, but these legally can be used only for purposes for which they were voted.

Issuance of tax anticipation warrants long ago became necessary. Only about 60 per cent of the tax levy on Chicago property in 1929, for instance, had been collected by the last of June this year.

Nearly all the 1928 and 1929 delinquent taxes are tied up in the courts.

Taxes for 1931 are not due until October, 1932. Of an issue of \$38,000,000 in 1931 tax anticipation warrants against the general corporate fund, the city has sold \$11,000,000 to its funds to meet payrolls.

In a pinch the city may sell the remainder to special bond funds, thus stopping public improvements.

## Experts Will Help With Moratorium

(By Associated Press)  
Negotiations already have been started in Paris for a conference of experts to decide the technical details of applying the moratorium plan accepted by the French government yesterday.

The British government renewed today its invitation for the conference of powers chiefly concerned.

The German government issued a proclamation promising to use the money thus released only for the economic recovery of the nation. President von Hindenburg personally cabled thanks to President Hoover.

Geo. Kirk has accepted a position with Mike C. Boyd, county tax assessor, and is already on the job.

E. Shepperd and K. V. Northington went to San Angelo Monday afternoon to attend business in that city and look over the water system there.

Lester Marsh left Tuesday for McAllen where he will visit and look after business for a short time.

Read today's news in The Ledger today.

## Action On Fall Case Expected Tomorrow

(By Associated Press)  
WASHINGTON, July 7.—Justice Bailey of the District of Columbia supreme court today postponed until Thursday action on the case of Albert B. Fall.

Government counsel wanted Fall brought from El Paso immediately to begin serving a sentence of a year in jail on conviction of taking a bribe from Edward L. Doheny, while the former was serving as secretary of interior in the Harding cabinet.

## One Girl Drowns; Two Others are Rescued

### Hathaway to Enter School at Abilene

Drury Hathaway, who has been first assistant to County Tax Collector W. A. Forgey since the first of the year, checked out from that job Tuesday and left for Abilene where he will enter business college to review his short hand work and prepare for his new position as stenographer of the 119th district court. He was appointed to this position recently by Judge O. L. Parish and will go on the new work the first Monday in September when the new court holds the first term a tPaint Rock.

Mr. and Mrs. Hathaway will both go to Abilene but will be home for week ends. Mr. Hathaway was a student in the Abilene school about nine years ago but has become slightly rusty on his short hand and will use most of his time there specializing on this subject and gaining speed so that he will be able to take care of fast testimony when he takes up his court duties. His experience about the court room makes him thoroughly qualified in every way for the job with his summer course.

Mr. Forgey has not replaced Mr. Hathaway in his office and will likely not do so for a few months until work picks up to a large volume in the office. He has several competent applicants and will make a selection in the early fall likely.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Burnice Gardner and Mrs. J. T. Brown of Winters visited here Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Brown.

## Girl Makes Escape When Companion Shot by Pair

### Spot Where Rope Victim Was Slain Believed Found

(By Associated Press)  
HOUSTON, July 7.—Officers believed today they had found the spot where the body of Louis Comet, cafe owner, was thrown into Bray's Bayou after he was strangled with a rope. Footprints and automobile tracks were discovered about 100 yards from the place where the body was found floating in the water.

Officers today had no theories regarding the identity of the murderers.

An autopsy late yesterday indicated Comet had been strangled before his body was thrown in the stream.

## 4 Slaying Suspects Released at Dallas

(By Associated Press)  
DALLAS, July 7.—Officers today released four men held as suspects in the slaying Saturday night of Robert L. Roark, guard at the federal reserve bank here. Roark was shot and robbed while walking to his home.

Police believe the slayer was the same who killed Abe Schreiber and his fiancée, Pauline Corman, on a road near here a week ago.

### 35,000 Lambs Moved

OZONA, Tex., July 7.—(AP)—A total of 35,000 head of spring lambs have already moved out of this one ranch county to the terminal markets, bringing 6 to 7 1/2 cents. Some of the ranchmen have marketed 45 per cent of their lambs.

### Harvest About Over

WICHITA FALLS, July 7.—(AP)—Cutting of grain is about finished in this section. Many threshers are at work and many unemployed men have been sent to the harvest fields. The turnout of grain is excellent. Farmers are holding oats and barley but most of the wheat is being sold to the elevators.

### WEATHER FORECAST

(By Associated Press)  
West Texas—Partly cloudy.  
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(By Associated Press)  
FT. WORTH, July 7.—Rowland E. Lewis, jr., 37, was shot to death by two robbers early today on the road leading to Lake Worth where he had parked his car.

Miss Lolley Artie, 21, Lewis' companion, said Lewis jumped from the automobile when the hijackers ordered him to "stick 'em up." They opened fire and the girl tumbled down a twenty-foot embankment, hiding in some bushes. When the robbers left she climbed the embankment and called to Lewis. He failed to answer. She ran away, officers finding her two miles down the road.

### WOMEN ARE BEST PAY ACCORDING TO SURVEY

(By Associated Press)  
AUSTIN, July 7.—Single persons are better credit risks than married persons and women are more dependable than men, according to recent survey of the retail credit trade by Arthur E. Hert of the bureau of business research of the University of Texas.

Hert estimated that women do 75 per cent of the family shopping but that 66.4 per cent of the accounts were carried in their husbands' names. Married persons carried 62.1 per cent of the credit accounts and single persons 37.9 per cent.

### ELM TREES ARE DYING IN AMARILLO SECTION

(By Associated Press)  
AMARILLO, July 7.—Chinese elm shade trees, believed until recently to be the hardiest variety that can be grown in the Panhandle, are dying in Amarillo. W. H. Long of Albuquerque, N. M., senior pathologist of the bureau of plant industry, U. S. department of agriculture, examined the trees and said nothing could be done. He diagnosed the disease as a kind of cytospora, and said it was due to food and water shortage.

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The pecan raisers of this section are beginning to realize the value of their pecan groves along streams and how much better they can be made if they are improved and budded with large paper shell varieties. The all-day conference to be held in this county this week will have a large number of men and women interested in the industry present and following the session they will see first hand how a native grove can be made better with modern methods.

The city water supply is now being used hard ever day but the past week-end was running over the spillway following a clear rise of several feet. Daily pumping records have soared high the past few weeks and many yards and gardens are being irrigated each day at the present time. The recent improvements here have made people feel easy regarding the supply and it is a fine feeling to have plenty of water for all uses that meets the requirements of the state health department and shows to be pure all the time.

A visitor here over the past week-end on his first visit to Ballinger remarked that this was the best small town he had ever seen and was holding up under the depression better. This fact has been known by local people for many years and when anyone gets the idea that everything is not so well here it will do them good to make a trip through other sections and they will return feeling better and be glad to get back to Ballinger, known as just a good West Texas town.

Club boys and girls of this county plan the staging of a number of programs in the county between now and the July 20 to raise funds to send members to the A. & M. College short course. These programs deserve full patronage of the communities where they are staged and of citizens living in the larger towns of the county. Those attending will derive full value for their money and in addition have a good time mingling with their rural friends. One of the Ballinger bands will play at the first program to be held and this idea should be carried out further and at each gathering a large delegation from this city should attend and furnish transportation and anything else necessary to take one of the bands here to furnish music. The act will be appreciated by the boys and girls, their programs will be made better and attendance will be increased and more cold drinks and other money making methods will do a better business.

Quadruple Lighthouse Beam  
WASHINGTON, July 7.—(AP)—Wood Island Light, the picturesque stone tower which has stood at the entrance to the Saco river in Maine, for some 125 years, is to have its power increased to 30,000 candle power, four times its present strength.

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TALEY ON AIR



Marion Talley, Kansas City singer, who won much acclaim for her appearance on the Metropolitan opera stage, is to be before the microphone of WJZ-NBC Monday night, July 13.

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COLEMAN COUNTY RANCHER RAISES BIG GRAIN CROP

(By Associated Press)  
COLEMAN, July 7.—The Gill ranch at Whon has reported one of the best grain yields in this section this year. Cattle were pastured in the oat fields until March. E. W. Gill estimated his yield early as between 12 and 15 thousand bushels on the ranch. He had harvested 21 thousand bushels. He had stored between 17 and 18 thousand bushels in his granary, and the rest was sold. That which is stored will be fed to Hereford cattle raised on the Gill ranch.

Rules for X-Ray Workers  
WASHINGTON, July 7.—(AP)—Rules of protection for those engaged in X-Ray work as formulated by the American advisory committee on X-Ray and radium protection are contained in a new handbook released by the bureau of standards.

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BLANTON NEWS

Rev. Tierce filled his regular appointment with the Baptist church with large attendance at both services.

Quite a number from this community attended the singing at Hatchel Sunday afternoon.

The community enjoyed supper in the H. B. Fowler pasture on the Fourth and afterward there was a party in the Fowler home.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Martin and son, of Mexico, are visiting in this community this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John D. Harvey, of DeLeon, are visiting in the A. W. Malone home this week.

Mrs. W. A. Wood and children and Miss Pauline Lockett, of Lawn, visited in the J. A. Foreman home Thursday.

The Baptist meeting will begin the second Sunday in August. Rev. Riddle, pastor of the Paint Rock church, will help in the meeting.

"REPORTER"

Notice to the Creditors of the Estates of W. G. Allen and Mrs. V. D. Allen, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that originally Letters of Administration and Testamentary upon the estates of W. G. Allen and Mrs. V. D. Allen were granted to the undersigned by the County Court of Runnels County, Texas. All persons having claims against said estates or either of them are hereby required to present to me the same within the time prescribed by law. My address is Ballinger, Texas.

O. L. PARISH, Executor of the Estate of W. G. Allen, deceased.

O. L. PARISH, Executor of the Estate of Mrs. V. D. Allen, deceased.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Doss, of this city, accompanied by C. H. Allen and Miss Gladys Koatchman, of Sonora, motored to Del Rio and Eagle Pass on the Fourth.

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At the present time, the general conviction in medical circles is that the vaccine is useful and safe.

Nearly half a million French infants have been vaccinated since this practice was first started.

Though at the beginning it was limited to infants of tuberculous mothers or those in intimate contact with an open case of tuberculosis, that is, one shedding tuberculous germs, vaccination against tuberculosis is now offered to all infants in France.

Outside of France, the Calmette vaccine has not been as widely applied.

In the United States, Dr. William H. Park of the New York city health department has been conducting experiments closely paralleling those of Calmette. His results are also encouraging.

Apparently, it does render these more resistant against infection with the tubercle bacillus.

But the immunity is not complete. Some few cases do die of the disease, despite the vaccination.

(Tomorrow—Sunburn)

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MOVIES

Talkie Studio Moved on Wheels to Film "Trader Horn"

The most intricate portable sound-recording apparatus ever built was used in filming and recording the first complete sound picture ever filmed in the African jungles—"Trader Horn," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's gigantic transcription of the famous book, which will open July 12 and show to July 14 inclusive, at the Palace Theatre.

Mechanical and electrical details still kept secret by the studio went into the making of the great "sound truck," the first and only sound apparatus ever to be taken into Africa and used to record the actual voices of its savage denizens.

The outfit moved on a great truck that housed a recording room with its own machines. A caterpillar tread was provided for rough travel. A complete electrical plant within the contrivance furnished power.

Microphones were designed so that they could be hidden in the paths of the lions, rhinos, crocodiles and other animals filmed and recorded by its means.

W. H. Anderson, technician with

the outfit, had "tuned" microphones of all frequencies, to catch anything from the deep roar of the lion to the shrill twitter of jungle birds, the tom-toms of the savages in their fanatical religious rites, and other jungle sounds.

Harry Carey, Duncan Renaldo and Edwina Booth play the three principal roles in the story, recreated from Aloysius Horn's book. W. S. Van Dyke, remembered for "White Shadows in the South Seas" and "The Pagan," directed. Among the big thrills are the death dance of the dead-ly Isorgi, the battle between a lion and a zebra in which the striped mule kicks the King of Beasts into flight, the battle between leopards and hyena pack, and innumerable thrills with crocodiles, hippos, wild elephants and other jungle denizens.

The making of the picture involved the longest location trip on record, fully 25,000 miles being covered in the filming of the massive production, which required two years to make.

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# EXIT

by Harold Bell Wright  
**SYNOPSIS:** Because Ann's husband, Bruce, has deserted her for a gold mining venture, falsely accusing her of an affair with Pierre, the good traits in the desert, hoping to bring him back home. There, as he arrives unseen, he hears Bruce tell his companion how on the night of his flight he had detected the village bank cashier stealing \$15,000 and had unintentionally killed him in taking the loot for himself. Because in the fight Bruce had dropped a watch chain belonging to Ann's father, the older man, a bank employee, had been called for murder. Though Bruce's companion, Colorado Bill, is Pierre's father, the boy does not recognize him as he hears the pair quarrel over their watch chain.

### Chapter 32

#### THE FATAL CANTEN

IN the same instant that Donovan reached for his gun and called to Bruce to drop the raised canteen Pierre appeared behind Donovan, climbing over the low wall of rock.

Donovan's attention was so centered upon Bruce that he was unaware of the entrance of a third actor on the scene. But Bruce saw Pierre's face was distorted with horror. He crouched on the rock with every muscle tense while sheer terror held him motionless.

Who shall attempt to say what thoughts flashed through the tortured brain of Bruce Carey at this dramatic development? Did he feel relief—believing that Pierre had arrived in time to save him? Did he consider Pierre an additional danger? Did he think that whatever the outcome, Donovan would not dare to do the thing he threatened? Or did he deliberately move to end his own torment by taunting the man to the point of killing?

With an insane laugh, Bruce deftly lifted the canteen to his lips. Pierre tried to shout but no sound issued. He could not move. He knew that Bruce saw him and wondered why he showed no surprise. As Bruce lifted the canteen he saw the other man bring his gun up into position. Suddenly whatever it was that held him let go, and with no conscious muscular effort he threw himself upon the man who was about to kill. The roar of the gun was in his ears even as the fury of his attack bore the one who had fired it to the ground. The gun itself fell several feet away. Bruce twisted half around, the canteen fell from his hand, and the bank clerk went down in a writhing heap.

While the two men who knew not that they were father and son were locked in a desperate struggle, Bruce Carey died. And the canteen emptied its precious contents into the desert sand.

The good villagers of Orchard Hill, had they witnessed that combat, would have said that this young man who fought his desperate antagonist with such unflinching courage was a new Pierre Donovan. Orchard Hill had known a gentle, imaginative lad who was dubbed "mamma's boy" and "sissy." They had known a soda fountain clerk who argued them and who, as a would-be actor, was the joke of the community. But Orchard Hill never dreamed that a Pierre Donovan whom they did not know was merely acting these parts much as he dreamed of acting on the stage. In short, Orchard Hill had mistaken the character presented by the actor for the character of the actor himself.

But this was not a new Pierre Donovan—it was the same Pierre that his mother, Harriet Noel, and old Antonio Latour knew—acting a different role which he had suddenly been called upon to play. And Pierre, himself, was conscious of this sudden change in characters. He had not thought highly of that role, for who was so afraid in the desert; he had not enjoyed the part. And in that moment when he looked upon the scene enacted by Bruce, and that other man, and felt the impending tragedy, he had known that he must play another part. The frightened soda jerk was left, as it were, to perish miserably in the desert, but Pierre Donovan, Harriet Noel's son, lived. And he had thrown himself into this new role with all the genius and greatness of his artist soul that Tony says he inherited from his actress mother.

This character which Pierre now played had no sense of fear. In a cold fury, with a strength which was more than merely physical, and with his brain working calmly as if he were rehearsing a part, he fought to gain the mastery of this one who sought his life. More than once he felt himself perilously near defeat, but the clean bodily strength of the younger man began to tell. Pierre saw fear come into the eyes

of his nearly exhausted opponent. Then the end.

For a moment Pierre stood over the man who lay unconscious at his feet. Then he ran to Bruce.

Kneeling beside the body, he tried desperately to discover some sign of life. When he could not he still knelt as if he too had received a mortal hurt.

He raised his head and looked about wonderingly at Mather Mountain rising into the sky; at the stunted desert vegetation. He looked at the canteen lying on its side and the dark moist spot on the ground which the water had made. Then he saw something else.

The man he knew as Colorado Bill was creeping toward that gun which lay some distance away where it had fallen at the beginning of their struggle.

Pierre leaped to his feet. The other made a desperate effort, but as his fingers touched the weapon a smashing blow from Pierre stretched him again unconscious.

This time when the man regained his senses he saw Pierre sitting calmly on a rock with the gun in his hand, watching.

For a long minute they looked at each other without a word; then the man, getting to his feet, spoke. "Who are you?"

"I came to take Bruce back to Ann," said Pierre calmly. "You have killed him."

"He was going to leave me here in the desert without water," returned the other. "I shot him in self-defense."

Pierre pointed to the canteen and the dark moist spot on the ground. "You see what happened?"

"Yes," said the other, "I see."

"I was behind the rock there," said Pierre, "and I heard Bruce tell you about the bank money and the cashier. It is better that Bruce should go like this, I guess, than that he should be taken back home to prison, or to be hung for murder. You are the man who got Bruce so interested in a gold mine, out here, I suppose?"

"For God's sake, who are you?" "I'm Pierre Donovan."

"Pierre Donovan?"

"Yes," said Pierre. "I came here to find Bruce. He left Ann because he thought she was having a love affair with some one else. I did not know about this other thing Ann doesn't know about either. I can't take Bruce home now. He looked toward the dead man. Then he added: "But I can take you to Red Butte and turn you over to the law for this murder. And I am going to take the money back to the bank—and get Ann's father out of jail."

"So you are Pierre Donovan?" "Yes, I am Pierre Donovan. You are Colorado Bill, I suppose?"

"Have you any water?" the man asked suddenly.

"Yes, a little. Not enough for two, but we must make it do. We must start back to Dripping Springs at once." Again he looked toward the dead man as if considering what to do.

"I only gave him what he deserved," said the other. "You heard how he was leaving his wife's father—an innocent man—to hang or go to prison for life. Besides I shot him in self-defense. If I were to try to get away with all the water and leave you to die in the desert you would kill me, wouldn't you?"

"Yes," said Pierre grimly. "If you try anything like that I shall kill you."

"Well, then, why accuse me of murder?"

"You got Bruce into this. If it hadn't been for your talk about the millions he could make in this mine if he could get hold of a little capital, Bruce would never have thought of leaving Ann or taking that bank money. You murdered Bruce Carey when you made him money-mad, and I am going to see that you hang for it. I owe it to Ann."

"You won't help Ann that way. If you turn this money back to the bank, you'll have to tell how you got it, won't you?"

"I'll have to tell them something, I suppose."

"Yes, and if you turn me over to the sheriff in Red Butte I'll tell how Bruce Carey murdered the cashier. I don't think it will make Ann any happier to know that her husband was a thief and a murderer and that he was ready to let her own father be hung in order to cover up his crimes."

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daughter, Billie Louise, of Ballinger, are spending a few days with Mrs. Blair's mother, Mrs. Mary Guin.

Mrs. Jewel Phillips and Mrs. Avella Robertson, of San Antonio, are here visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Mathis.

The Calvin Case baby is seriously ill with diphtheria.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Caudle and grandson, G. B. Shelly, are attending the camp meeting at Fort McKavitt.

H. Tierce made a business trip to Abilene Monday.

**BETHEL NEWS**

Rev. and Mrs. Cole and family of Abilene, were here to fill Rev. Cole's regular appointment at the Baptist church Saturday night and Sunday.

Rev. George Hienener, pastor of the Lutheran church at San Angelo, preached at the Methodist church here Sunday afternoon. The first and third Sunday afternoons are his regular appointments.

Rev. and Mrs. L. D. Hardt, of Paint Rock, visited in a number of homes in this community Friday.

Miss Fay Muncy returned Thursday from an extended visit with relatives at Eastland.

Mrs. Silvey, of Brownwood, spent the Fourth with her mother, Mrs. W. F. McShan, and other relatives. An all-day family picnic was enjoyed on the river.

The Baptist meeting starts Friday night and will continue over the third Sunday.

Mrs. John Greenhill and children, Mrs. Tom Crockett and children and Clyde Simmons were among the number to attend the

### Businesses Which Help Build City

**Harwell Motor Company**  
R. L. Harwell established the first exclusive automobile house in Ballinger on December 9, 1913. A building was rented next door to the City Drug Store on Eighth Street and Mr. Harwell unloaded a solid carload of Fords here to the surprise of many local business men.

At that time automobiles were for the rich alone and the masses considered such a luxury far beyond their means. For this reason business men who had never studied the automotive industry and its possibilities were of the opinion that it was out of the question for a man to make a living selling motor vehicles in a section of West Texas where there were few able to own them.

When the business was first established here the territory consisted of Runnels, Concho and Coleman counties. After operating for a few years a separate agency was established for Coleman and Concho counties and that portion of the territory removed from Mr. Harwell's. He remained in his first location for several years, developing business forcing him to move to larger quarters.

In 1921 Mr. Harwell constructed his own building, a large, modern structure covering four full lots 120 feet deep. The new building has floor space of 16,800 square feet, large show room, offices, parts and accessories department, drive-in filling station, tire repair department, wash racks, and large up-to-date machine shop, well equipped.

The year 1919 was probably the best in the history of the firm, the only hindrance being inability to secure Fords to fill orders. During the fall of that year there were times when the local agency was as many as 250 orders behind on deliveries. Many cars were sold here by individuals at a premium.

The model of the Ford was radically changed in 1927 and for nearly a year no cars were received here for sale.

Mr. Harwell has developed a great business here, entering it at the time when automobiles were becoming a necessity in the operation of modern business. In addition to the time devoted to his private business Mr. Harwell has not neglected to work for his town, and has served in many important capacities. He has been an untiring worker in the chamber of commerce, Rotary club and other organizations and has aided in putting over many successful projects.

This ad is one of a series, contributed by the Farmers & Merchants State Bank in behalf of businesses which help build Ballinger. 14-364

Fourth of July club picnic north of Winters. A very pleasant day was spent meeting with new club members of the county, also attending the free picture show at Winters in the afternoon. An invitation was extended to all to attend the annual club picnic to be given August 13 on the Colorado River in the Lon Muncy pasture, 4 miles east of Ballinger, in the Bethel community.

The Methodist meeting begins Friday night before the fourth Sunday, continuing over the first Sunday in August.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. John Sheburne enjoyed a fish dinner on the Fourth, with home folks.

Ira Sims, of Ballinger, and Will Lampe had business at Lowake Saturday.

J. D. Tullos is suffering with a very painful sprained wrist caused from cranking a car.

The Happy Home Makers Club had a very interesting program on parliamentary law, in the home of Mrs. Nath Crockett, Thursday afternoon, with eighteen members present. A very beautiful picture was presented by members to their president, Mrs. Crockett, as a birthday gift. Delicious iced punch and angel cake was served to all. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. John Bigby and daughters July 16.

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### Card of Thanks

Humbly and sincerely, do we thank our brethren and friends for the many deeds of loving kindness rendered us thru the long illness and death of our loving wife, sister and aunt. Especially do we thank you for the beautiful floral offering May your desires be unto God who can bless and keep you.

Billie Smith  
Mrs. Georgia Howland  
Mrs. Claudia Humble  
Paul Howland  
Edwin Smith

### ROYALTY'S MICROPHONE IS ALL A-GLITTER WITH GOLD

(By Associated Press)  
LONDON, July 7.—King George will speak into a new microphone reserved for his use when he opens the King George Hospital at Ilford July 18.

Made especially for his use the instrument has silver fittings and bears the royal cipher in gold. It rests on a chromium plated pedestal, and carrying a silver panel, embellished with the royal arms in gold, on which will be engraved the dates on which the instrument is used. The microphone hitherto reserved for the king's use has its history engraved upon it.

### Poultry Loss Cut Through Test for Disease Carriers

(By Associated Press)  
RALEIGH, N. C., July 7.—Prof. Roy S. Dearstyne of North Carolina State College has announced

finding the short interval blood test effective in reducing pulorum disease in poultry. The blood test dates from 1913, but has been the subject of controversy since that time as to its effectiveness in determining carrier birds of pulorum disease, commonly known as bacillary white diarrhea.

The application of Mr. Dearstyne's results in the North Carolina poultry industry will save poultrymen each year more than the total cost of all poultry research conducted here during the past 20 years," says Dr. R. Y. Winters, director of the North Carolina experiment station. During the past year, of 24,385 young chicks from treated flocks, only 4.8 per cent died, while from 6,075 chicks in untreated flocks, 41.5 per cent died before twelve weeks of age.

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The "carrier," Prof. Dearstyne explains, is a fowl that has been infected but has recovered and shows no ordinary symptoms. Apparent return to health, however, has left a focal infection, making the bird dangerous to healthy fowls and to chicks yet unhatched from infected eggs.

Controversy over the blood test, the professor explains, originates from the fact that a bird at one time will react positively and at another time negatively.

The professor instituted short interval tests to avoid the pitfall occasioned by intermittency of reaction.

### EXPLORER IN BAFFIN LAND WILL CHAT WITH CHICAGO

(By Associated Press)  
CHICAGO, July 7.—Daily chats between Chicago and Baffin Land, at the top of the world, will keep some short-wave radio channels busy this summer.

Ralph Brooks, maintenance engineer at the NBC studios here, will be on the Bowdoin with Commander Donald MacMillan's crew of voyagers, who'll spend the summer studying the ice cap. He has arranged with a number of friends, operators of short-wave sets, to pick up his signals so he may keep in touch with goings-on in his native habitat.

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### HATCHEL HAPPENINGS

Bates Campbell's father and mother, of Ranter, and sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Starr, of Dallas, spent a few days in the Campbell home last week.

Mrs. Marcus Bales spent last week with her mother at Littlefield.

E. Graves took dinner in the Scott Guin home Sunday.

Edgar Voelker and family visited his father at Winters Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Murrel Graves, Mrs. Lou Graves and daughter, Key Williams and family, and Mr.

and Mrs. Claud Reagan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Andrews.

Robert Wilson, of Lott, Texas, is visiting E. M. Moore this week.

The Hatchel baseball team played at Lowake Sunday. The score was 4-5 in favor of Lowake.

Miss Alma Ryan visited Miss Ruby Guin Sunday afternoon.

Baxter Campbell and family visited the Hugh Forgey family Sunday afternoon.

Mord Tucker visited his wife at Carlsbad Saturday and reports that she is getting along fine.

Mrs. W. E. Blair and little

# Want Ads

**Rates and Rules**  
Two cents per word first insertion, no advertisement accepted for less than 25 cents. All subsequent insertions 1¢ per word each insertion.  
All classified advertisements must be accompanied by cash unless advertiser has a regular account with the paper.  
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**LOST**—Saturday morning, roll of bedding, between Humble pump station and city limits. Reward. Return to Ledger office. 7-2td-1fw

**FOR RENT**—Two apartments in modern duplex, reasonable. Phone 32. Mrs. Nash. 6-6td

**MY HOME** is for sale or rent. See me at home immediately. Mrs. W. L. Brown. 1-6td

**FOR RENT**—Five room house on Sixth street, modern conveniences, close in. Phone 179. Mrs. D. C. Simpson. 11-6td

# Deaths

**Mrs. B. F. Cox**  
Mrs. B. F. Cox, age 70, died at her home on the Giesecke farm Monday afternoon. She had been in ill health for several years and she and her husband have made their home with their son, J. R. Cox since retiring from active farming.

Besides her husband she leaves 4 sons and 5 daughters to mourn her death.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. T. E. Bowman at 4 o'clock Tuesday afternoon and interment made in Evergreen Cemetery.

Undertakers from the Higginbotham Funeral Home were in charge of arrangements.

**Mrs. Billy Smith**  
Mrs. Billy Smith died at the Halley and Love Sanitarium here last Thursday night at midnight. She had been ill for more than thirty days and Thursday her condition became so serious that she was rushed to the sanitarium in an ambulance late in the afternoon but did not live but a few hours.

Mrs. Smith was 48 years old and had been living with her husband in Ballinger for the past eleven years. Mr. Smith had been engaged in the shoe repair business here for a number of years and he and his wife were well known and have a host of friends here.

Besides her husband she is survived by two sisters Mrs. R. H. Howland of Ballinger and Mrs. S. C. Collins of Coleman and one brother John Martin of Mason.

Following her death the body was taken to the King-Holt undertaking parlor where it was held at the chapel until time for interment at Evergreen Cemetery.

### Card of Thanks

I thank each and every one who gave assistance and cared for my friend Eugene Ischar when the accident that took his life happened at our shop. Especially do I wish to thank the West Texas Oilfield Boys and others who so faithfully rendered their skilled service in trying to restore life to him. 7-1td

Friend and Partner,  
D. J. PATTERSON.

**Draws 227-Foot Map**  
ST. LOUIS, July 7.—(AP)—Capt. Tom Posey, pilot on an excursion steamer, has finished a colored map of the Mississippi one foot wide and 227 feet long. He drew it on tracing linen in his spare time over a period of two years.

Be wise and advertise.



**TEXACO MOTOR OIL**  
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## City Asks for Bids On 7th Street Work

The City Commission will secure bids from Brown & Root, contractors of Highway No. 4 from Ballinger to the Concho county line, this week for the construction of paving on Seventh street from the end of the present pavement on Strong Avenue to connect with the State Highway near the river.

Highway No. 4 will be routed through this town down Seventh Street from Hutchings Avenue and the city will connect the hardsurface highway with the existing road so that the road will be in good shape at all times. The same type of paving is being considered that the South road will be constructed of which is known as a water bound macadam.

Mayor W. C. McCarver stated Tuesday morning that the matter of the paving would be taken up with W. O. Woolsey, general superintendent for the contractors while he was here this week looking after business. A thirty foot strip through the middle of the street will be considered for 'his street and bids will be asked for that type and width of road using the same material that is being used on the highway.

Brown & Root, contractors, are working on the last stretch of base at the present time. The first half of the road from the Concho county line this way has been completed and travel is being allowed on the base when weather is dry. The base is being constructed of caliche in two courses and when all the base is ready will be treated with asphalt and opened to the public. The road is expected to be ready for the heavy traffic during the fall market season this year and the city plans to have work start on the several blocks of paving here just as soon as the road work is finished.

The Commission will do their part in connecting the city pavement on Broadway with Highway 23 to Talpa when that road is finally completed. Their part will be the construction of curbs and other minor work which they will do and a first class hard surface road will lead into Broadway just North of the Santa Fe railway.

### WILL TEST STATUS OF MEXICAN DIVORCE

**EL PASO, July 7.**—The legal status of divorces granted American citizens in Mexico may be determined in a suit involving Charles G. Morris filed here.

Morris was divorced in Mexico three years ago after failing to obtain a decree in El Paso. He then re-married.

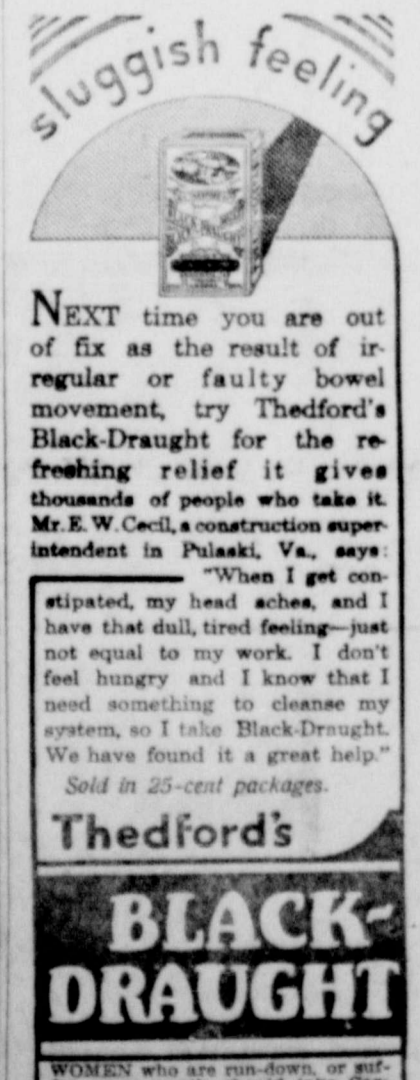
The first Mrs. Morris sought to compel Morris to pay her alimony, and after several court fights the case was tried before a jury and the jury disagreed.

Mrs. Morris now has filed a charge of non-support against Morris, and her attorneys said they would seek to show that Mexico divorces for Americans were not legal in the United States.

In her suit for divorce, Morris charged his wife nagged him and interfered with his work. She denied the charge.

Morris is a railroad man.

In a total of 136 athletic contests the past year, University of Maryland teams won 78 and lost 58. This included eight sports.



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NEXT time you are out of fix as the result of irregular or faulty bowel movement, try Thedford's Black-Draught for the refreshing relief it gives thousands of people who take it. Mr. E. W. Cecil, a construction superintendent in Pulaski, Va., says: "When I get constipated, my head aches, and I have that dull, tired feeling—just not equal to my work. I don't feel hungry and I know that I need something to cleanse my system, so I take Black-Draught. We have found it a great help."  
Sold in 25-cent packages.

### BLUES SINGER



Irene Taylor, a blues singer, backed by experience on the stage and in night clubs, is one of the cast of the new weekly WJZ-NBC program heard at 9:45 p. m. (EST) on Mondays, coming from Chicago.

### POTATOES BRING MILLIONS TO FLORIDA FOR BIG CROP

**HASTINGS, Fla., July 7.**—Millions of dollars poured into the pockets of farmers within a few miles of this village as the annual potato crop moved to market, in daily shipments of 225 to 280 railway cars.

The yield for 1931 is estimated at 5,000 cars. Crop experts in the Hastings-Elkins section were fortunate this year because the crop in Texas was short, due to blight and frost, particularly in the west and midwest.

The crop here has not been of such high quality in several years, agricultural experts said. The average yield per acre will run about 50 barrels, with about 75 per cent of the crop graded as number one.

### JAPAN'S BUDDHA IDOLS LOSE EARNING POWER

**NARA, Japan, July 7.**—Earnings of the Buddha images in Japan have fallen off 40 per cent since the world business depression made itself felt.

The earnings come from small entrance fees which are charged visitors. Spring is usually the best paying time and January the worst.

Local Buddhist authorities estimate that the earnings of the Great Buddha of Nara should average \$5,000 a month.

### No College Depression MILWAUKEE, Wis., July 7.

Marquette University authorities believe depression helps college enrollment. To date there have been 8,500 requests for catalogs for 1931, compared to 4,000 this time a year ago.

Second sheets, 1,000 80 cents, at Ledger office. 1fd

## Calles Will Take Governorship of State of Sonora

**MONTERREY, Mexico, July 7.**—Turbulent Sonora, often declared never to have been under the control of the Mexican republic, holds no terrors for Rodolfo Elias Calles, who will assume the governorship of the westernmost state of Mexico at Hermosillo on Sept. 1.

In an interview granted in this city, where he has been for two weeks studying the institutions of Nuevo Leon, with the object of taking them as a model in reorganizing the state government of Sonora, the son of the man who founded the now ruling National Revolutionary Party made light of the opposition which it has been freely predicted will be brought to a head when he goes to take over his office. At the mention of possible personal danger to a constitutionally elected governor, he smiled slightly and insisted that it was wholly imaginary.

The former president's son, tall, well set up and of a striking presence, courteously replied to all questions, speaking deliberately and distinctly in Spanish, which is the only tongue he professes to be able to use. He outlined enthusiastically the reforms he expects to institute, gave full credit to his predecessors for progress made to date, and eulogized the industry and vision of the inhabitants of his native state.

Even the Yaquis, who have waged unremitting warfare on the white man for more than three hundred years, have laid down their arms and are now zealously engaged in useful pursuits, he said. He likened them to the Apaches whom the United States government has at last succeeded in pacifying, and pointed to the fact that some 2,000 members of the tribe still existed—too few, he maintained, to constitute a menace under any circumstances.

Governor-Elect Calles was unostentatious in his praise of the institutions of Nuevo Leon, which he termed the best-governed state in Mexico, expressing special admiration for the school system, as organized and administered by Prof. Andres Osuna, state director of public education. He also made a detailed study of the state irrigation projects, particularly the Herrera dam and Aguayancal reservoir, and the state's highway work.

Sonora is a rich state, actually and potentially, and the abundance of water found in its rivers can be diverted to render its soil enormously fruitful, he declared, adding that he already has in mind one or two exceptionally promising projects.

Rodolfo Tapia, treasurer-elect, accompanied Calles on his inspection of this state. The governor-elect has not yet named his secretary and other appointive officers, he said.

In conclusion, Calles repeated

the affirmation of his belief in his destiny, declaring that the people of Sonora will appreciate conscientious and progressive leadership, and will respond to any sincere effort to help them better themselves.

## British Scheme Visions Trip to Top Air Strata

**LONDON, July 7.**—Possibilities of a trip to even greater heights than Prof. Piccard's balloon achieved are being discussed here. Prof. A. M. Low, British scientist, said he had been approached by a man who wished him to design an apparatus that would carry its passengers up 50 miles, or five times as high as Piccard's mark.

"His idea consists of a man-carrying rocket, complete with oxygen equipment and with a parachute enabling a return to earth," said Prof. Low.

Theoretically the project is feasible. Certainly it shows the trend of human ambition. "There is certain to be a revival of schemes for reaching Mars, the moon, or some other heavenly body. The schemes probably will be wildly impracticable, but they may bear some scientific fruit."

Experts at the meteorological office of the air ministry were keenly interested in Piccard's observations, having undertaken balloon altitude experiments for a long time themselves.

"Balloons equipped with self-recording instruments are released at intervals," an official explained. "They burst when they reach a certain height."

The instruments are contained in a bamboo framework which breaks the fall. A red flag is attached to attract attention and a reward is given to the finder of the instruments.

"Observations have been made at 40,000 feet by this method."

### Tax Payments Drop

**UVALDE, Tex., July 7.**—Tax payments to the city of Uvalde for 1931 will be some \$2,000 less than in 1930, according to an estimate made after the board of equalization had reviewed rendition sheets in the office of Mrs. Jessie Connor, city tax assessor and collector.

There are 3,568,443 acres of drained land in Louisiana, as compared to 2,266,328 acres in 1919.

## Jap Legs Bow National Squatting Habit Makes for Stubby Race

**TOKYO, July 7.**—Japan's numerous bow legs and the short stature of its people are due to the national habit of sitting "Turk fashion," says Dr. Fusao Ishiwara, head of the medical department of Tokyo Imperial University.

If the Japanese would only give up the habit of squatting, they would, the professor asserts, acquire as fine physiques as Americans.

Dr. Ishiwara studied this point with Japanese born in Hawaii and California. He says that 55 per cent of the height of the average occidental is in the legs while with the Japanese it is only 50 per cent.

But American born Japanese are so built that their legs make up 54.8 per cent of their height and they are taller than their native countrymen.

**Uncover Roman Treasure**  
**CELORICO DO BASTO, Portugal, July 7.**—A Roman pot, brim full of copper and gold coins, was unearthed here, but fell to pieces as it was lifted from the hole.

W. L. Brown of Austin spent the past week end here visiting with his wife and son. He returned to his work there Monday.


Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones of Dallas are here the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Carr. Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Jones are sisters.

Sim O'Neill, secretary of the Coleman Chamber of Commerce, attended to business in Ballinger Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Rudd are spending a short vacation in Brownwood and other cities, visiting relatives and friends.

Engineers have uncovered five new seams of coal near Gadsden, Ala., which they say contain fuel in paying quantities.

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Commercial Accounts, Large or Small, Invited

**Ballinger State Bank**

**YOUR CREDIT RATING**

Here is about the classification of the individual's credit rating:

GOOD \* FAIR \* GOOD BUT SLOW \* SLOW  
NO GOOD \* BAD VERY BAD.

Suppose you look these over and pick out the class to which you belong.

**YOU KNOW AND SO DO MOST OF THE MERCHANTS.**

**RETAIL MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION**

**Lose the Dirt--Keep the Color In Pretty Summer Things**

Only the gentle, scientific cleaning methods employed by the Bigby Dry Cleaners can thoroughly cleanse your delicate summer clothes without harm to the color. And you will find our service a real economy. Call today.

**BIGBY'S**  
Phone 63

**STATEMENT of Condition**

...THE...  
**FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF BALLINGER**

June 30, 1931

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$297,172.82
Overdrafts	60.50
Banking House	40,000.00
Furniture and Fixtures	10,000.00
Stock Federal Reserve Bank	4,500.00
U. S. Bonds	25,000.00
Bonds and Warrants	44,762.50
CASH AND EXCHANGE	238,568.21
	<b>\$660,064.03</b>

LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock	\$100,000.00
Surplus and Undivided Profits	67,938.82
Circulation	25,000.00
DEPOSITS	467,125.21
	<b>\$660,064.03</b>

We carry no state, county or municipal interest bearing deposits.

We desire to thank our many friends and customers for all business entrusted us, making it possible for our bank to render this most satisfactory statement.

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She was beautiful, alluring, made for love! The finest picture of the screen's most fascinating star.

**GRETA GARBO**  
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