

# "By Helping Business You Help Yourself" The Floyd County Plainsman

Floydada, Floyd County, Texas, Thursday, January 4, 1940

Number 6

## Enging Conven- Draws Large Crowd Sunday

The Sunday Singing Conven-  
tion in Floydada Sunday drew  
the largest crowds that has  
attended the convention in  
the county. Five counties are in  
the convention, they are: Floyd,  
Motley, Hall, Eriscoe and  
Eleven counties were repre-  
sented at the meeting here  
by singers at the meeting here  
by the Harley Lester Sun-  
dresses and held the distinc-  
tion of coming the farthest dis-  
tance to attend the convention. Other  
representatives were: Swisher,  
Lightfoot, Crosby, Dickens,  
Cottie, Hale, Brocosco, and  
entertainment committee wish  
to thank the people of Floydada  
for their part in making the  
convention a success. Especially the  
officials for furnishing the  
banquet room and other con-  
veniences for the gathering, and the  
Office Company of Plain-  
view for their district manager, Mr.  
for serving coffee to the con-

## Saturday Night Fire Destroys Household Effects

A fire early Saturday night in an  
apartment house on West Mississippi  
Street damaged and destroyed most  
of the household goods in the apart-  
ment occupied by the James Cagle  
family. The origin of the fire was  
undetermined. The other apartment  
was occupied by Mr. and Mrs. New-  
ell Parker, who sustained only slight  
damages.

## Fred N. Clark Announces for Re- Election as Sheriff

TO THE PEOPLE OF FLOYD  
COUNTY:

I wish to announce that I am a  
candidate for re-election to the office  
of Sheriff of Floyd County. I have  
greatly appreciated the privilege of  
serving you as your sheriff during the  
past three years; I appreciate the  
many courtesies you have shown me,  
and I appreciate the co-operation  
you have given me. If I have been  
a good sheriff, and I hope that I  
have, most of the credit is due you.  
Floyd County is a good county, and  
its citizens are good, law-abiding  
people—there are few law violators  
among the people of Floyd County.

No doubt I have made mistakes  
since I have been your sheriff, but  
I hope that I have not made too  
many. And the mistakes I have made  
have been honest ones—mistakes of  
the head, not of the heart. I be-  
lieve I can honestly say that my  
heart has always been in the right  
place; my determination has always  
been to give the people of Floyd  
County the very best service of  
which I am capable. And I have  
worked hard to give you just that  
kind of service. I feel that I am  
now in a position to make you a  
better sheriff than ever, for I be-  
lieve I have learned much since I  
have been in office, and I believe  
that I have profited from the ex-  
perience. I promise you I will give  
you the best I have if you see fit  
to elect me for another term. I  
thank you from the bottom of my  
heart for the many goodnesses you  
have done me, and I assure you I  
will appreciate just as much your  
help in the coming campaign.

In closing let me wish you all  
happiness, prosperity and good health  
in this new year of 1940.  
Cordially yours,  
FRED N. CLARK.  
(Political Advertising.)

Miss Margary Kirk returned to  
Canyon Monday after spending the  
Christmas holidays with her parents,  
Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Kirk.

## Mayor Rounded Up for Fat Stock Show



She didn't wait until Spring for the roundup -- Miss Billie Marie Miller, 16, of Coleman, who rounded up Mayor T. J. Harrell (right) in Fort Worth to paste windshield sticker No. 1 on his car. Thus she opened the 1940 program for the Southwestern Exposition and Fat Stock Show, which will be held March 8-17.

## Vernon Norman Moved to Lubbock Hospital

Vernon Norman, who received se-  
rious injuries in a wreck while driv-  
ing a bus near Matador Christmas  
day, was brought home last Sunday  
from the Traweek hospital at Mata-  
dor. Sunday afternoon he was moved  
to a Lubbock hospital where X-ray  
pictures show he had a fractured  
pelvic bone, fractured shoulder and  
two fractured bones in his back. He  
was placed in two casts, one for his  
shoulder and the other for his back  
injuries. Relatives say that he is  
suffering considerable pain, but that  
physicians stated that his condition  
is satisfactory. It is not known when  
they would dismiss him from the  
hospital.

## 1934 Study Club Met With Mrs. Winter

The 1934 Study Club met Tuesday  
evening in the home of Mrs. Odell  
Winter as hostess. Regular business  
was discussed and special commit-  
tees made reports.

Mrs. Travis, president, took charge  
of the program:

Mrs. E. H. Balch gave a very in-  
teresting and entertaining book  
review of "Familiar Treasures".  
Edna Ferber followed by music sing-  
ing two songs accompanied by guitar  
furnished by two high school stu-  
dents, Margaret and George Tubbs,  
which was equally enjoyed by the  
members of the club.

Lovely refreshments were served  
to the members of the club and their  
visitors: Mrs. E. H. Balch, Mrs.  
Frances Wester and Mrs. George  
Sherrell and Margaret and George  
Tubbs. The club was adjourned to  
meet with Edith Wilson as hostess  
January 16th in the home of Mrs.  
C. K. Arnold.

## Finkner's Auto Store, New Name Of Business

Geo. M. Finkner announced this  
week that he will change the firm  
name of his garage business from  
Finkner's Triangle Garage to Fink-  
ner's Auto Store.

Mr. Finkner plans to re-arrange  
his store and add a larger line of  
nationally advertised automobile ac-  
cessories and supplies. Beginning  
with the new year Mr. Finkner has  
taken on the Goodyear line of tires  
and tubes, which he plans to feature  
during the year. Mr. Finkner will  
continue to operate his work shop in  
the rear of the building where all  
kinds of auto service will be made.

Miss Mary Louise Tubbs returned  
to Mary Hardin Baylor College, at  
Belton, Tuesday following the Christ-  
mas vacation spent with her parents,  
Judge and Mrs. G. C. Tubbs.

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## G. C. Tubbs Solicits Support In Coming Primaries

TO THE PEOPLE OF FLOYD  
COUNTY:

I have enjoyed very much, my first  
year as your County Judge, and  
would like to have the opportunity of  
serving you another term in that  
capacity.

I thank you for the spirit of co-  
operation you have shown me as your  
County Judge and for the privilege  
of serving the best people in the  
world.

I earnestly solicit your support in  
the coming Democratic Primaries for  
the office of County Judge.

Sincerely your public servant,  
G. C. TUBBS.  
(Political Advertising.)

## Hugh Nelson Is Candidate For Re-Election

TO THE CITIZENS OF  
PRECINCT FOUR:

Well, folks, it is now about twelve  
months since I was sworn in as your  
commissioner, and according to demo-  
cratic customs, it is time to announce  
for re-election.

In requesting your support for a  
second term, it occurs to me that it  
would be proper for me to direct  
your attention to the kind of service  
I have tried to give you. The Com-  
missioner's Court records are open for  
your inspection, and will show the  
position I took in regard to all mat-  
ters which came before the court. In  
every instance I did what I thought  
best for Precinct Four and Floyd  
County as a whole. I have tried to  
give each of you the same kind of  
service. As to how well I have  
succeeded, you will, of course, be the  
judge.

I believe you will not be unmind-  
ful of the fact that the experience  
I have had as commissioner will en-  
able me to render even better ser-  
vice if I am elected for a second  
term. I wish to thank you for the  
splendid cooperation you have shown  
during the past year, and will make  
an effort to discuss my candidacy  
with you before election day.  
H. J. (HUGH) NELSON.  
(Political Advertising.)

## DOBBS TRUSS DISTRIBUTING COMPANY TO OPEN OFFICE IN BOOTHE BUILDING

The Dobbs Truss Distributing Com-  
pany, which is opening an office in  
the Boothe Building will have factory  
representatives in Floydada to give  
free examination and demonstration  
on Wednesday, January 10. Their  
location will be in room 203 and  
people of the community who are suf-  
fering from rupture are especially in-  
vited to come in on the above men-  
tioned date for examination. E. E.  
Boothe will have charge of the local  
office.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin English, and  
son, Bobby, of Midland, spent the  
week end with Mr. and Mrs. Russell  
King and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Minor.

## State Health Dept. Urges Automobile Inspection

To minimize the danger of carbon  
monoxide poisoning during winter  
weather, motorists are urged by Dr.  
Geo. W. Cox, State Health Officer,  
to check up now on the exhaust of  
their automobiles for defective con-  
nections and leaks.

Cold weather, which necessitates  
driving in closed cars, is the time of  
the year when carbon monoxide finds  
most of its victims. The poison seeps  
inside the car from leaky connections  
and overwhelms occupants of the car.  
Carbon monoxide is colorless, odor-  
less, and tasteless; when in the air,  
it gives no sign of its presence and  
is taken into the blood instead of  
oxygen. Suffering or collapse results  
from lack of oxygen.

Dr. Cox pointed out that warming  
up a car in a closed garage is a fre-  
quent cause of carbon monoxide  
deaths. It follows that if one plans  
to run the automobile engine for any  
purpose inside the garage, the door  
should be thrown wide open immedi-  
ately, and this irrespective of out-  
side temperature.

Leaks from manifold connections,  
cracked manifolds, defective muff-  
lers, leaks from loose muffler con-  
nections and leaks from hot air heat-  
er connections are potential sources  
for release of carbon monoxide and  
should be checked. Pay particular  
attention to these items and remem-  
ber that proper carburetor adjust-  
ment causes minimum production of  
carbon monoxide, and that the high-  
est proportion of the gas is produced  
by an idling motor.

Dr. Cox pointed out that headaches  
which occur during long drives may  
indicate that carbon monoxide has  
been leaking into the air. Sleepless-  
ness, dizziness, fatigue, and extreme  
cases of paralysis are other symptoms  
of carbon monoxide poisoning.  
"Truck drivers making long drives  
in cars with defective exhaust sys-  
tems are particularly vulnerable," he  
stated.

Carbon monoxide is also attribut-  
able to worn-out hose or faulty con-  
nections on gas heaters. When using  
the hose type of connection, persons  
should make certain that no leakages  
due to wear and tear exist. A thor-  
ough investigation of such appliances  
each autumn to check the leakages  
and replace worn parts of gas ap-  
pliances is indicated.

In short, carefulness is the effec-  
tive weapon against carbon monoxide  
poisoning. Carelessness and indif-  
ference alone make it the killer.

Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Williams and  
son, Virgil, Jr., spent the week end  
in Sweetwater visiting Mr. Williams'  
brother, Homer Williams and family.

Truman Kirk returned to Austin  
Monday after spending the holidays  
with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. W.  
Kirk.

Vernell Marshall who spent the  
holidays with her parents, Mr. and  
Mrs. L. A. Marshall, returned to  
Plainview Monday afternoon where  
she is attending Wayland College.

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## Three Billion Dollars In FHA Home Financing

Washington, January 2.—The FHA  
ended the year 1939 with more than  
three billion dollars worth of home  
financing insurance on its books, Ad-  
ministrator Stewart McDonald an-  
nounced today.

Approximately \$960,000,000 of this  
insurance was written during 1939,  
establishing a new FHA record.

Through the FHA, nearly twelve  
million persons have been enabled to  
improve their housing standards and  
conditions, in accordance with the  
declared purpose of the National  
Housing Act.

The year just ending produced the  
largest volume of residential build-  
ing since 1929, approximately 450,000  
non-farm dwelling units. Final fig-  
ures probably will show that the  
number of single-family homes built  
during 1939 exceeded the 1929 num-  
ber. During 1939, approximately 500  
new single-family homes were started  
each working day under FHA inspec-  
tion.

The present outlook for home con-  
struction in 1940, Mr. McDonald de-  
clared, is excellent, judging by the  
volume of applications for mortgage  
insurance being received. Whether  
this will continue throughout the  
year presents a difficult problem of  
forecasting in view of disturbed  
world conditions. If the present  
trend is maintained, the volume of  
home construction during 1940 should  
exceed that of 1939.

The three billion dollar total of  
mortgage insurance now recorded on  
FHA books includes approximately:

Small home mortgages numbering  
465,000, amounting to \$1,975,000,000.  
Property improvement loans num-  
bering 2,330,000, amounting to \$965,-  
000,000.

Large-scale housing projects num-  
bering 265, which provide approxi-  
mately 30,000 dwelling units, with  
the mortgages amounting to \$112,-  
500,000.

In addition, there are mortgage in-  
surance commitments outstanding  
amounting to \$275,000,000.

The FHA's income now exceeds its  
operating expenses. During the next  
fiscal year, it is estimated that the  
FHA should have a surplus of about  
\$8,000,000 over operating expenses.  
This surplus will be added to reserves  
now totaling nearly \$30,000,000 to be  
used in meeting possible losses.

## CARLOADINGS FOR SANTA FE SHOW DECREASE

The Santa Fe System carloadings  
for the week ending December 30,  
1939, were 13,740 as compared with  
14,570 for the same week in 1938.  
Received from connections were 4,-  
539 as compared with 4,115 for the  
same week in 1938. The total cars  
moved were 18,270 as compared with  
18,685 for the same week in 1938.  
The Santa Fe handled a total of  
22,635 cars during the preceding week  
of last year.

## University of Texas Library gets Rare Collection

Austin, January 2.—Law, literature  
and history sources for the entire  
eastern half of South America were  
being unpacked here recently as Uni-  
versity of Texas librarians prepared  
to shelve the 9,000-volume collection  
of the late Manuel Gondra, one-time  
president of Paraguay.

Added to collections at the Uni-  
versity already blanketing a large  
portion of Latin America, notably  
the Garcia and Icazbalceta libraries,  
Mexico; and Munoz, western South  
America, the Gondra collection sup-  
plies "a prominent link in library  
facilities for the Latin American In-  
stitute next summer," according to  
Donald Coney, University librarian.  
Prior to acquisition of the Gondra  
library, the University Latin-Ameri-  
can collection—already regarded as  
one of the best of its kind in the  
nation—numbered some forth-thous-  
and volumes. Supplementing this col-  
lection are the famous Justin H.  
Smith papers and the Bexar archives.

The Gondra collection, in addition  
to the 9,000 books covering law, his-  
tory and literature of much of South  
America, includes the private papers  
of the late Paraguayan statesman,  
who, while president, was instrumen-  
tal in negotiating a series of peace  
pacts among several Latin-American  
countries in the 1920's.

At his death in 1935, Gondra  
was president of the National Uni-  
versity of Paraguay, having been  
president of his country twice, sec-  
retary of the state once.

## Mrs. O. M. Conway Seeks Privilege of Serving Again

I have appreciated the privilege of  
serving the people of Floyd County  
in the office of County Treasurer and  
assure you I shall be glad to have  
the opportunity again, should you  
see fit to reelect me.

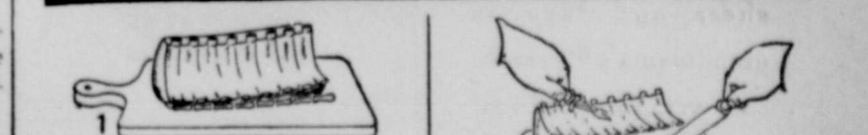
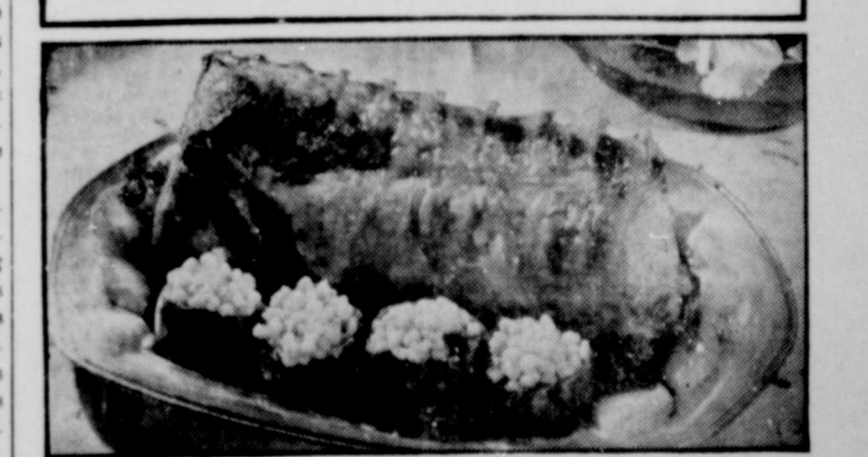
Soliciting your support in the com-  
ing Primaries, pledging you my best  
efforts, if elected, thanking you for  
past favors and wishing for each of  
you a happy, profitable New Year,  
I am,

Respectfully yours,  
MRS. O. M. CONWAY,  
Candidate Office of County Treasur-  
er Floyd County, Texas.  
(Political Advertising.)

Misses Mary Wilson and Evelyn  
Hicks returned to Wayland College  
in Plainview Tuesday afternoon fol-  
lowing a visit with their parents, Dr.  
and Mrs. I. W. Hicks, during the  
holidays.

Richard Tubbs returned to Lub-  
bock Tech Tuesday after having  
spent the holidays with his parents,  
Judge and Mrs. G. C. Tubbs.

## THE ART OF CARVING PORK LOIN



1. Note how the backbone has  
become loosened during cooking.  
The roast has been placed on a  
carving board, so that the back-  
bone may be removed before the  
roast is placed on the platter.

2. Just one sweep of the knife  
will sever the backbone from roast.

3. Here is the roast on the plat-  
ter in the correct position for the  
carver. The ribs, you see, are  
toward him where they will serve  
as guide to the direction the knife  
should take.

The carver should hold the  
roast steady by inserting the fork  
in the top as shown in the illus-  
tration. Roast pork is more tempt-  
ing if the slices are cut thin. The  
carver cuts close against both  
sides of each rib. Every other slice  
will be boneless. If the loin is  
small, the slice will be thin enough  
if the cut is made between each  
pair of ribs—then every slice will  
contain a rib. With a large loin,  
two boneless slices may be cut  
between ribs.



Let's Help  
**FINLAND**  
HELEN HAYES, one of America's foremost actresses, posed for  
this poster to aid the Finnish relief drive headed by former  
President Herbert Hoover.

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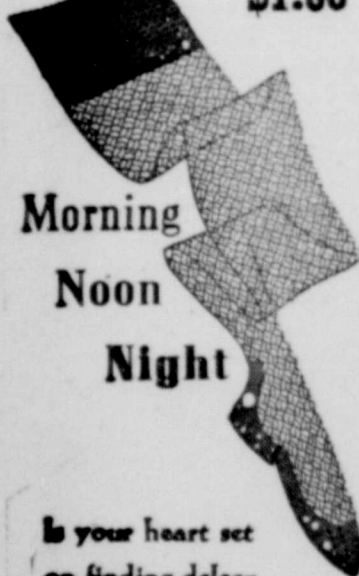
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## Finnish Relief Fund

At the request of Ex-President Hoover, made to a large number of newspapers in the United States, and relayed through Capt. J. F. Lucey, prominent Texas independent oil operator, the Floyd County Plainsman will participate in the sponsoring of a nationwide move to raise funds for the relief of Finland.

Mr. Hoover's request that we accept the local chairmanship was received here yesterday. Capt. Lucey was associated with Hoover in the Belgian Relief Drive in 1914 and advises that plans similar to the Belgian Relief Program will be used in raising funds for the present campaign.

The Plainsman will receive and acknowledge contributions from its readers and forward such contributions from its readers and forward such contributions once each week to the Finnish Relief Headquarters in East Texas, which Capt. Lucey has opened in the Baker Hotel, Dallas. Funds so secured from all over the state, will be forwarded from the state headquarters to the national headquarters of the Finnish Relief Fund in New York.

Those desiring to contribute through the Plainsman are requested to address their contributions to Finnish Relief Fund, care of the Plainsman, Floydada. All contributions will be acknowledged in the columns of the paper.

Geo. M. Finkner, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Ester, and Miss Sally Pitts and Edward Wester left Tuesday for Denton, where the young people will enter college for the new year's work.

Miss Fern Finkner and John Kimble left Sunday for Fort Worth where they will enter college following the holidays spent at home with their parents.

## PREPARE YOUR CAR FOR COLD WEATHER!

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## DOAN'S PILLS

## Geologist Believes Alexandria Out For Sea Trade 25,000 Years Ago

Austin, January 2.—Oldest traces of man's existence on the North American continent were reported last week by a University of Texas geologist to the Geological Society of America, convening in Minneapolis, Minn.

Dr. E. H. Sellards, director of the University's Bureau of Economic Geology, produced what he believes to be "ironclad" proof of man's habitation of this hemisphere at least 25,000 years ago—man-made stone images, the oldest trace of sculpture yet found on this continent, coupled with evidences of a pre-historic "elephant hunt."

He reported discovery near Beeville in South Texas of the fossilized remains of a Columbian elephant surrounded by 25 flint artifacts—spearheads, knives, scrapers. A second excavation in the Texas Panhandle, he recounted, had given up remains of five elephants, three spearheads five inches long, and one flint knife—all within a radius of 40 feet. One of the spearheads was lodged within three inches of the elephant's neck vertebra.

Traces of both "elephant hunts" were approximately 25,000 years old, he said.

However, overshadowing the pre-historic "hunting scene" traces, Dr. Sellards pointed to his most recent discovery in East Texas—a 150-pound, egg-shaped, rust-colored, sandstone object, two feet in length and eighteen inches wide, with slant eyes, holes for nose, mouth and chin.

The first of these stone faces was unearthed ten years ago in a Henderson county gravel pit in East Texas. Dr. Sellards withheld judgment. In 1935, twenty-five feet deeper in the gravel face of the pit, a second identical image was discovered. Three years later, with WPA cooperation, Dr. Sellards began painstaking search for another face.

Early in December he found it, in the third terrace of the banks of the Trinity River—cut when the river was a young stream. He examined and photographed the image's position before removal, studied and photographed the 22-foot stratified bed above it.

Possibility of counterfeit—bugaboo to all paleontologists—was banished, Dr. Sellards believes, by the perfect preservation of the stratified earth above the fossils in each dig. Had any of the fossils been "planted," the 20-foot deep, even layers of earth and shale beds, one deposited upon the other, which geologists use for time-tables, would have been broken.

Exactly what the stone faces mean, the University scientist is not sure, except that they are "considerably older than 25,000 years."

"They are unique further in that they represent one of the very few evidences of ancient man's sculpture in existence," he said. "The usual things are either flint implements or skeletal remains."

## Old Hickory Dinner to Honor Andrew Jackson

Houston, January 2.—Delegations from two parts of Texas will attend the two dollar Old Hickory dinner, which will be held here at the Lamar Hotel, Saturday, January 6, to pay homage to Andrew Jackson. It has been announced by J. T. (Thad) Scott, Jr., general chairman of the Andrew Jackson Democrats of Texas, sponsors of the Old Hickory celebration.

Delegates will come here from Dallas, Fort Worth, Sweetwater, Abilene, Longview, Tyler, Lufkin, Beaumont, Galveston, Waco, Austin, San Antonio, Corpus Christi and other political centers of the state. Chartered conveyances will bring many democrats here for the celebration, and individuals will travel far and wide to reach here by automobile, according to advices being received daily by Mr. Scott.

Jerry Sadler, member of the Texas Railroad Commission, an ardent admirer of the Jacksonian Democratic principles will be the principle speaker at the banquet. His talk and one hour of the program will be broadcast over stations of the Texas Quality network and the Texas State Network, twenty-five stations in all. The stations accepted the program at a meeting held in Houston Tuesday.

The fact that Houston was selected by the Andrew Jackson Democrats of Texas as the place for the Old Hickory Dinner was highly lauded by Commissioner Sadler.

"Sam Houston was our greatest Texan," Mr. Sadler said, "and we are gathering to pay homage to the first of our great Democrats—Andrew

## Alexandria Out For Sea Trade

### Ancient Town on Potomac Planning to Re-Enter Foreign Commerce.

WASHINGTON.—Alexandria, on the Potomac river, is planning to re-enter international commerce. The revival has begun with shipments of newsprint. Cargoes of paper from Canada, previously shipped by boat to Baltimore and trucked to Washington, D. C., now are unloaded at the Virginia port, southern threshold of the national capital.

"Alexandria came into being as the site of a tobacco warehouse provided for in Virginia's tobacco inspection act of 1730," says the National Geographic society. "The original settlers were accordingly tobacco buyers, largely representing tobacco houses of Glasgow, Scotland."

"Belhaven was the name conferred upon the community by the Scots, in honor of Lord Belhaven, an outspoken patriot opposed to the union of Scotland and England, and a director of the Scottish Trading company."

Once New York's Rival. "The warehouse, completed in 1732, was on a tract of 6,000 acres originally owned by Capt. John Alexander. He bought it in 1670 for 6,000 pounds of tobacco. The Alexander family thus owned most of the early town site and opposed the incorporation of the community. Changing the name from Belhaven to Alexandria largely compromised this opposition and the town was incorporated in 1749. A 1749 map of the new town shows it was laid out by the young surveyor, George Washington. The town seal shows a ship in full sail.

"Accessible to all transatlantic sail, Alexandria was once a competitor with New York and Boston for ocean trade. Ships sailed for European ports or the West Indies, returning with hardware, dry goods, rum, molasses and other products. Or they came to the port with ballast of cobble stones and brick for ballast.

"Sidewalks, arched gateways, and the two and three story, closely built homes of the wealthy Alexandria merchants were of brick. Frame houses were often wood-surfaced brick. Streets were later paved with the same material.

"Many fine old homes of Georgian and early federal architecture have been preserved in Alexandria, velling the town in a colonial atmosphere that delights thousands of tourists annually.

"Alexandria was the town to which George Washington sent the produce of his Mount Vernon estate, for shipment or sale; it was there he attended Christ church and the Masonic lodge. At Alexandria he voted and maintained his town house. The house was razed in 1837, but many old mansions survive, particularly in the old part of the town near the waterfront, including the abodes of the Carlyles, the Fairfaxes, George Mason and many others. Here also is the boyhood home of Robert E. Lee.

Old Homes Restored. "The Alexandria of Washington's day had a population of about 2,800. The 1930 census gave it 24,149. Originally within the 10-mile square of the District of Columbia, Alexandria now is a popular residence town for Washingtonians, who have restored many of the city's old homes.

"The port of Alexandria, now scheduled for further development, profited by a federal appropriation of a quarter of a million dollars in 1910 for improvements and maintenance. A depth of 24 feet at low tide was provided for a distance of more than a mile along the Alexandria bank of the mile-wide Potomac river. There are 16 regular shipping wharves.

"The town is five miles below Washington and 105 miles from the mouth of the river at Chesapeake bay. The wharves have been used in recent years largely for handling sand and gravel, phosphate rock, pulpwood, petroleum products and fertilizer materials. The leading item in coastwise shipment was coal. There is an extensive freight classification yard; six trunk-line railways connect with the North, South and West."

Customer Right Again. NEWTON, MASS.—A district court judge decided the customer always is right and convicted Druggist Joseph Delezor of assault on Clifford McCauley whom he ejected from his store for smoking in a telephone booth.

## More Money Needed To Marry in Colorado

DENVER.—It takes a doctor as well as a minister and more ready cash to get married in Colorado these days. The state's new law requiring premarital blood tests and physical examinations for all persons planning to marry went into effect recently.

Added cost of blood tests for both bride and bridegroom range from \$4 to \$10. Ministers are liable to \$500 fine under the law for performing a ceremony unless both parties produce a certificate showing they have passed a blood test.

## Silting of Reservoirs Buries Big Investment

When a stream is dammed to form a storage reservoir it represents an investment for service in irrigation, power, municipal water supply, flood control, or recreation—or a combination of these. When the gates of the dam are closed the reservoir begins to fill with water—and also with sand or silt that settles and reduces the storage of serviceable water.

The silt deposit is the result of soil erosion. This is where the soil conservation service workers come in. As publicly employed specialists they are interested in both ends of the silt movement—in keeping the silt on the land and keeping it out of the reservoirs.

Since 1934 the staff has been gathering definite information as to the rate at which reservoirs are being silted. They know of examples of completely filled reservoirs in which original investments have been wiped out by silting. By balancing the injury to farms from loss of soil, against damage to reservoirs from silting, these specialists are getting the facts on which to base control policies, to suggest fair apportionment of the expense of keeping the soil in place and so preventing filling of reservoirs.

Carl B. Brown, in charge of the reservoir investigations, points out that as a practical matter the effect of reservoir silting is likely to be even worse than the destruction of the original investment in the storage plant. As a rule such reservoir is located at the most favorable point for economical storage. If the service to the community requires a replacement, the substitute is likely to cost more than the original and the value of preventing silting can fairly be reckoned on the basis of the replacement cost.

## Jefferson Disliked Idea of 'Third Term'

Thomas Jefferson set forth his reasons for declining to run for a third term as President—principally because he believed the presidency might "degenerate into an inheritance"—in a letter to the general assembly of North Carolina. This letter is now owned by Charles J. Whalen, of Chicago.

Helmut D. Mildeberger, Chicago book and manuscript expert who purchased the letter for Whalen from the W. R. Hearst collection for \$775, has displayed photostatic copies of the original recently.

The letter was dated January 10, 1808. Jefferson set forth that he wouldn't run for a third term because "that I should lay down my charge at a proper period is as much a duty as to have borne it faithfully."

"Believing that a representative government responsible at short periods of election is that which produces the greatest sum of happiness to mankind, I feel it a duty to do no act which shall essentially impair that principle, and I should unwillingly be the person who, disregarding the sound precedent set by an illustrious predecessor, should furnish the first example of prolongation beyond the second term of office."

## World War Angels

After the Battle of Mons, fought in Belgium during the World war, a number of stories were published to the effect that a host of angels appeared and saved the British forces from annihilation. The origin of this legend was later traced to a story contributed to an evening paper by Arthur Machen, entitled "The Bowmen." In it the British troops are at the point of agony and despair, hopelessly outnumbered, when one of the soldiers invokes the help of St. George, the patron saint of England, whereupon the saint brings up the spirits of the ancient bowmen of Agincourt in battle array and the Germans are completely routed by the ghostly arrows.

## Canyon Rim Festival

Two canyons of barbaric picturesque beauty are included in Canyon de Chelly National Monument in Arizona. One is the deep chasm which gives the place its name; the other, sinister Canyon del Muerto. Both canyons rise in sheer cliffs to heights of 1,000 feet above the floor. This varies from a width of 10 to 30 yards. There a few hundred Navahos have their homes. The warm sun reflected from the red cliffs helps to ripen the fruit of their tiny peach orchards and their melons and corn. Each October the Navahos hold a fire dance up on the canyon rim. Whites are admitted to the rite, which attracts spectators from miles around.

## Blind Spot Discovery

A French clergyman, Marriotte, discovered the blind spot in the human eye. Pursuing studies in anatomy in the Seventeenth century, he dissected animal eyes and, noting the spot where the optic nerve enters at the back of the eye, thought that vision should be sharpest at that point. Experiments disclosed that the opposite was true, and that there is no sight at that spot on the eye's retina. Marriotte was invited by Charles II of France to demonstrate his remarkable discovery. He placed two courtiers of the same stature before the king. Charles looked at the left-hand man with the right eye and because of the eye's blind spot, saw the right-hand man without a head.

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Jones, of Conchos Dam, New Mexico, visited from Wednesday until Sunday with Mrs. Jones' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Sims.

Mr. and Mrs. Dorris W. daughter, Linda Gay, of and Miss Wilma Jean Lubbock, visited Sunday and Mrs. Wilmer Jones.

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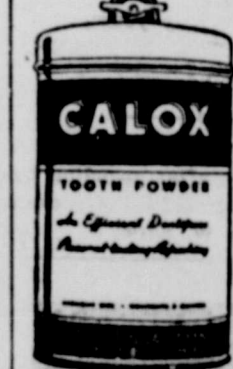
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Signal horn, or Lur, of the Bronze age, is now on display in the New York Museum of Natural History...

Africa Has Big Supply Of Valuable Chemicals

The chemical industry is beginning to play an important part in the industrial life of Africa, Dr. W. S. Landis, New York chemical company official, says in a report to the American Chemical society.

War Costs 100 Million a Day

Germany Leads in Estimate Of Current European Expenditures.

WASHINGTON.—Europe's war is costing the belligerents possibly 100 million dollars—a tenth of a billion—a day in current cash outlay alone.

Political Announcements

Those whose names appear below have authorized The Floyd County Plainsman to announce their candidacy for nomination for the office under which their name appears...

For County Clerk: B. NICHOLS

For Commissioner Precinct Four: H. J. (HUGH) NELSON

For County Treasurer: MRS. O. M. CONWAY

For County Judge: G. C. TUBBS

For Sheriff: FRED N. CLARK, Re-Election.

Mark Duncan, of Lubbock, visited with his mother, Mrs. Sarah K. Duncan, and other relatives here Tuesday.

Miss Florrie Conway returned to Plainview Monday afternoon where she is attending Wayland College.

Edward Wester returned to Denton Tuesday after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Wester.

Vernell Marshall who spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Marshall, returned to Plainview Monday afternoon where she is attending Wayland College.

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Painting Plaster Cracks

Painting over plaster that is lined with "map" or "hair line" cracks requires a special knowledge of paints, for if ordinary paint is applied, the oils are drawn into the cracks, thus changing the color and producing a streaked job.

Fishing With Piety

The picturesque fishermen of the Mississippi Gulf coast fish with religious fervor—literally. Hardy, two-fisted men who love a working schooner, they take heaven in partnership with their ventures.

Roman Sandwiches

The earl of Sandwich, who usually gets credit as the inventor of the sandwich, merely revived interest in this food and gave it a modern name.

Millions of Dollars Lost

By Increased Oak Fungi

KENT, OHIO.—Dr. J. Arthur Herrick of Kent State university's biology department has completed his research on the damaging fungus which is a parasite of the oak tree.

Rush Fills Theater

PASADENA, CALIF.—One way of judging the drawing power of a theatrical attraction is the speed with which the theater is filled.

It's a Swell War for Deer in Switzerland

LUZERNE, SWITZERLAND.—Like most countries in western Europe, Switzerland banned all hunting when the Swiss army was mobilized in September, but Swiss farmers are complaining that the deer have grown so bold they're a nuisance.

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### January 8-13 Set As Truck Week For Chevrolet

National Truck Week will be observed by Chevrolet dealers from coast to coast January 8 to 13, it was announced in Detroit today by W. E. Fish, manager of Chevrolet's commercial car department.

Extensive displays of the new 1940 truck models, said to be the broadest range of commercial transport equipment ever offered by Chevrolet, will be made in the dealerships, Mr. Fish said, along with various exhibits of mechanical features which distinguish the new models.

"Chevrolet dealers in every city are issuing personal invitations to fleet operators and all truck users to visit their dealerships during Truck Week, while from Central Office we

will send out approximately 30,000 wires to individual truck operators by way of further invitation," he added. "We feel that the 1940 line is so complete, every truck user will be interested in the wide range of models, and at the same time will be able to see the particular types best adapted to his personal needs."

The 1940 line, Mr. Fish asserted, includes 56 different models on nine different wheelbase lengths.

### Texas' Own Mardi Gras Makes Its Debut Again

Galveston, Texas, January 2.—A Mardi Gras of parades, of glamor, and of greater variety than ever before since its inception here back in 1867 is scheduled for Texas' own Mardi Gras, to be held in Galveston on February 1-6.

In tune with the times, it's to be a Military Mardi Gras, too!

Adding another day to the customary tenure of celebration, this year's affair has likewise incorporated more events to appeal to the masses as well as the classes and to attract the younger generation as well as the old.

### Santa Fe Supt Gets Appointment In New Mexico

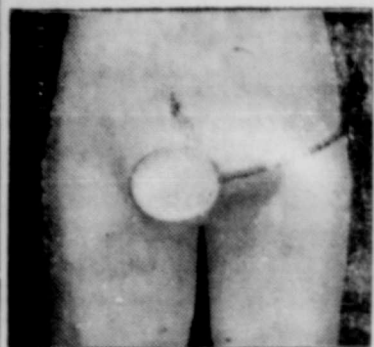
On the eve of retirement as superintendent of the Pecos division of the Santa Fe Western Lines, C. E. Smyer today achieved appointment as aide on the staff of Governor Miles of New Mexico. "Smyer's appointment resulted from more than two score years of faithful service, not only to the railway but to the thousands of citizens of the State of New Mexico and visitors therein," Governor Miles said.

Smyer requested that no formal ceremonies be arranged honoring his retirement and his wishes were obeyed by a host of friends. He is one of the best known railroad men of the Southwest and the best known in the Pecos Valley. He has had 47 years service and is succeeded by J. E. Lester.

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