

The Baird Star.

Our Motto; "TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE; BUT THE GIT-UP-AND-GIT THAT MAKES MEN GREAT."

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Callahan County's New Officials Take Oaths Of Office And Assume Their Duties

Only two of the "Old Guard" remain on duty at the Court House, County Clerk Grady G. Respass and County Superintendent of Public Instruction B. C. Crisman. The electorate of Callahan County on Nov. 7th last, made almost a complete change of rulers, which is one of the real, salient principles of American Democracy.

At one second after midnight Monday morning last, the "once were's" become "had been's", with the two exceptions mentioned, but it wasn't until Monday forenoon that the new bunch legally qualified to perform their several duties and were "cussed in" by County Clerk Respass.

There is one notable exception to this general swearing in: A successor to Justice of the Peace George E. Printz, who resigned that office when he announced for Tax Collector in the first primary, Melvin G. Farmer, was chosen at the general election, has not yet qualified.

Ex County Judge J. R. Black, who ran un-successfully for District Attorney, administered the oath of office to his successor, Victor B. Gilbert.

The new officers are rapidly learning the ropes and being initiated into the prankish mysteries of courthouse bonne homie and—other things, by Clerk Respass, who is premier of the jokesmiths.

As to the future of the retired officials, "only time can tell." Judge Black will find plenty to do to keep that interesting boy family of his well fed and clothed, happy and contented, and he'll do it, looking after his law practice and managing his two mercantile establishments in Baird and Admirl.

County Attorney L. Willard Green, who also went down in defeat in the primaries in his race for District Attorney, will, for the present, look after his law practice.

Retiring County Treasurer Walter C. Martin has formed a partnership with Callahan's new County Attorney, B. F. Russell, under the title of Martin-Russell Realty Company.

Because of the continued indisposition of Mrs. Roy Jackson, who was elected County Treasurer without opposition, Clerk Respass administered the oath of office to her at her residence. Until she is able to take active charge of the county's finances, Ex Tax Collector Charles W. Conner will act as her deputy.

Ex-Tax Collector W. Pitt Ramsey will hang around his old haunts until his successor, Clyde White has thoroughly mastered the techule of the office.

Sheriff George Houston Corn, who was defeated for reelection to that office by C. E. Bray, it is rumored will probably take a position in the detective department of the Texas State Cattlemens' Association.

Mrs. Kate Hearn, who was elected Clerk of the District Court, succeeding Roy D. Williams, who will be kept busy looking after his tailoring and cleaning business, so familiarized herself with the duties of

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THI OVERLAND RAN FORTY MILES WITH GASLESS TANK

Irving Mitchell, the garage man, who swears by the new 1923 model Overland car, is responsible for the following: "E. R. Samson, an oil operator near the Homer Peoples sector, in the Deep Creek Field, is the owner of a new Overland car and was tickled to death with his purchase. Now he swears by it as an auto pearl beyond compare and holds it above purchase.

"The other day Mr. Samson left his camp for Breckenridge in his new car in high spirits and with a tank full of gas. Merrily he bowled along, at the oil man's usual high speed gait, with a smoothness of motion that was fascinating. There were no flies in his motoring ointment. But alas! A few miles out of Breckenridge the smoothly running Overland began to wobble and with great difficulty and disgust he steered his car to the nearest garage and demanded to be told what in hades was the matter with his heretofore peerless Overland.

"The grimy mechanic made a brief examination of the crippled car, laughed derisively, and then demanded profanely and derisively how any idiot could expect any car to run without gas. Your 'tank's as dry as a bone—the drain-pipe plug's gone!"

"Now," concluded Irving, "Mr. Samson is an honest man and a truthful man. When he motored back to camp that evening he was accompanied by a friend whom he vouches for as more truthful than he is himself. This pair, jointly and severally solemnly asseverate that forty-one measured miles from Breckenridge they found the lost drain-pipe plug!"

A car that will run forty miles without gas is some car. Buy an Overland!

THANK WOODMEN CIRCLE FOR GIFT

I take this means of thanking the following members of the Baird Woodmen Circle for the beautiful piece of cut glass they gave me as a token of their love and appreciation. Words fail me to express my gratitude for the present which will buoy me up to do greater things in the future.

Your Friend and Sovereign,
Mrs. Geo. B. Scott.

To these, the donors, I again return my grateful thanks: Mesdames Barclay, Hawk, Cook, Terry, Eastham, Price, Bowlus, Barnhill, Cline, Asbury, Linley Ford; Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Walker; Misses Susie Walker, Jemie Lambert, Madge Eubank; Mr. Schwartz; Dr. Griggs.

The opening of the City Pharmacy which was to be held Saturday night has been postponed until Monday night, Jan. 8th.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex McWhorter returned Sunday night from Lubbock, where they were called by the death of Mrs. McWhorter's youngest sister, Miss Viola Lambert, who died after a short illness.

R. F. Jones, the bright and promising son of Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Jones, began his banking apprenticeship in the First National Bank the first of the year, where, if he follows the teachings of Caebier Will S. Hinds and his competent assistant, Bob Norrell, he will some day graduate into a high-class financier.

OIL LEASES GO HIGHER

As Oil Development By Real Oil Men Draws Nearer And Nearer To Baird City

Many new faces are seen on the streets of Baird these days, and there is a slow but gradual increase in business. Rent houses and both furnished and unfurnished apartments are in demand, and several big operators, interested heavily in the very promising Baird Oil Field, are contemplating the purchase or erection of homes here, which is pretty good evidence of their faith in the ultimate development.

There is no boom rush—as yet—but a steady stream of investigators and prospective investors are coming in and The Star's reliable oil news is eagerly read and favorably commented on for its accuracy. The following are the latest developments, oleagiously, in Callahan County:

F. R. Frizel et al are drilling on the J. A. Hutchison No. 1, at 475 feet.

J. H. Green has spudded in on the Dr. H. H. Ramsey ranch, about six miles southeast of Baird.

G. S. Fry et al are drilling on the H. W. Ross land, about one mile northwest of town.

The Norman Oil Company is preparing to drill the Harris well deeper.

Byron-Union Oil Co. is hauling fuel to the Hennessey No. 1. It is reported that they have a good showing of both oil and gas. Leases nearby are changing hands at around \$5.00 per acre.

J. A. McCormack et al are drilling on the I. N. Jackson ranch at 42 feet.

Rio Grande Petroleum Company is rigging up on the H. A. Lones ranch.

A ten barrel well has been brought in on the R. H. Qualls farm.

A small well has been brought in on the G. C. Wood farm.

Rose Oil Company has a location on the S. F. Ingram farm, southwest of Putnam.

Riverside Oil Company is drilling at 50 feet on the Mrs. A. L. Biggerstaff land.

B. W. Owens has made a location at Chautauqua, on land adjoining the O. H. Radford gasser.

Homer Peoples has made a location on the R. C. Wylie farm.

Sam Roberts is drilling at 320 feet on the H. D. Taylor farm.

W. Y. CHAMBERS DEAD

W. Y. Chambers, a long time citizen of Baird, died Wednesday night after a long illness. Mr. Chambers was a member of the Baptist church and a good man and honorable citizen. He is survived by his wife and several sons, two of whom, Bird and Ed Chambers compose the firm Chambers Bros. Mr. Chambers was born in Lebanon, Tenn. Aug. 30, 1853. Funeral services will be held at the Methodist church this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. While the death of this worthy citizen was not unexpected, as he has been confined to his bed for several weeks, yet his passing from among us causes a pang of sorrow to all who knew him. We tender sincere sympathy to his wife, left alone in her old age, and his children in their sorrow.

IS YOUR CHILD REGISTERED WITH STATISTICS BUREAU?

One of the bureaus of the Texas State Department of Health is designated as the Bureau of Vital Statistics, in which are recorded two of the most important events of human life, namely: birth and death.

Many of our citizens are not familiar with the proper functioning of this bureau and its usefulness to the present as well as future generations.

Social conditions of the present day differ materially from those of two or three decades ago. The immediate and succeeding generations will be required to furnish documentary evidence relative to births and deaths as a legal requirement.

Perhaps a civil criminal or probate action may be instituted in which the ultimate result will depend upon an authentic birth or death record. The casual observer may consider this a simple matter and does not appreciate the dire consequences which follow its neglect. Urgent requests are received daily by the Bureau for certified copies of birth and death certificates.

A few days ago the Bureau of Vital Statistics was requested to furnish a certified copy of the birth certificate of a man who claimed to have been born in Travis County, 1895 6. He was charged with a crime in Bexar County, and claimed that proof of his age would clear him of said charge. Alas! The certificate was not on file.

What if this lad had been your boy? Such neglect often brings ill effects to those we love most.

Unfortunately, the execution of these certificates is beyond the control of the helpless infant or the confiding relatives, and placed in the hands of their erstwhile protectors—the family physician and undertaker.

Some of the reasons, along with many others, why a birth should be recorded:

1. Establishes identity and proves parentage and descent and right of inheritance.
2. Shows when a child may enter and remain in school.
3. Protects a child under child labor laws.
4. Determines responsibility of children for crime.
5. Proves citizenship.
6. Proves right to hold titles to real estate.
7. Aids in settlements of insurance and pensions.
8. Enables the State to have complete birth records and complies with the law.

Some of the personal benefits derived from death registration: 1. Settlement of estates. 2. Settlement of life insurance policies. 3. Settlement of pensions and war claims.

The State Board of Health is making a special effort that Texas may be admitted to the Federal Registration area. Did you know that Texas lags behind? and do you know why? It is because only about 70 per cent of the babies born in our State have their births registered. This is a distinct loss, in the fact that many appropriations and other benefits are subject to compliance with Federal requirements.

Callahan County falls far short. Only about 27 per cent of the births

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FARMING MUST PAY

Or The Nation Will Perish, De- clares State Commissioner Of Agriculture Terrell

In his New Year greetings to the farmers and business interests of Texas, State Commissioner of Agriculture George B. Terrell coins this significant slogan for the Lone Star State's 1923 campaign:

"Farming Must Pay or the Nation Will Perish!"

Twentieth century civilization, with its boasted achievements, will perish from the face of the earth, unless agriculture is made profitable.

This is axiomatic and needs no demonstration.

Our lands are depreciating in production, because of erosion and loss of plant food.

Erosion cannot be stopped and plant food cannot be restored without profitable prices.

Money spent for good schools and good roads is a good investment when intelligently expended, but it raises the price of land and increases taxes, without increasing the productivity of the soil. In order to support good schools and build good roads, the farmer must receive better prices for his products.

Cotton is the greatest commercial crop of the United States (i. e. brings more actual money) and is almost the sole dependence of the South. With depleted soil, ravages of the boll weevil and other pests, and the high cost of living, it is no longer possible to produce cotton as economically and as cheaply as it was formerly produced.

Estimates of costs of production filed in this department by thousands of practical farmers, show that the average cost of producing the cotton crop of 1921 was 25 8 cents per pound and the average cost of the 1922 crop was 22 cents per pound. The 1920 and 1921 crops were sold at a loss, and the 1922 crop sold for about cost, with a small profit to the most successful farmers.

Business considerably improved because of the small profit to some of the farmers. This ought to convince every intelligent man in Texas and the South that cotton cannot be profitably grown for less than 20 cents, as the minimum price.

The remedy is:

1. Raise all the food and feed crops to supply the farm and the local town or city market and make the farm self-supporting.
2. Stop erosion or washing of the soil by terracing or other means, and plant velvet beans or other legumes to replace the plant food taken from the soil.
3. Reduce the cotton acreage 25 per cent and improve the cultivation, curtail insect's ravages, and produce more per acre at lower cost per pound. This plan will produce as much cotton, and bring more clear money to the farmer. Demand 20 cents per pound, or more, according to cost of production, supply and demand.

These suggestions, if put into ex-

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EPTOMIZED NEWS OF ESPECIAL INTEREST

IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE ENTIRE WEEK EDUCATED FOR BUSY READERS

FOREIGN—

Emil Frey, former President of the Swiss Confederation and first Swiss Ambassador to the United States died recently at his birthplace, Arlesheim, near Basle, in his 85th year.

Canvass of the British wholesale markets failed to reveal any fear that the sensational rise of pound sterling in dollar exchange would restrict sales of British merchandise to the United States.

A large number of the Irish Republicans led prisoner in Mount Joy prison will, it is understood, be released at once, having signed a declaration of allegiance to the Free State.

Germany has determined to put her own house in order through the curtailment of expenses, according to Finance Minister Herms. He stated that a foreign loan for stabilization of the mark was essential.

Sir Horace Plunkett has sailed from Liverpool on the Adriatic for a six weeks' visit to Washington and other American cities in behalf of the Irish Government. Sir Horace will inquire especially into agricultural efforts in the United States.

A dispatch from Cairo asserts that the value of the contents of two of the chambers which the Egyptological excavators recently found on the site of ancient Thebes near Luxor has been reliably estimated at more than 3,000,000 pounds.

All foreign and Russian banks were ordered closed by the Soviet Government of Vladivostok, which recently took over the administration of the city and surrounding territory, known as the Primoria. Russian white officers were ordered deported from Primoria and sent toward Moscow.

The Greek legation at London has denied reports that Athens is on the verge of a counter revolution, attributing them to an "anti-patriotic attempt by a handful of Constantinists to discredit the revolution abroad." The legation said there is complete calm throughout the Kingdom.

President Ebert, in a Christmas communication, cordially acknowledges private financial relief from the United States for the benefit of Germany's children, invalids and needy, the reports received to date indicate that the foreign donations for this cause far outstrip those of last year.

The Italian Consulate at Lisbon was partially demolished by a bomb which was placed under the stairway presumably by a Communist. The building was unoccupied at the time. In a note found in the vicinity it was said the bomb was exploded in vengeance against the triumph of the Fascisti over the Communists and Socialists in Italy.

Telegrams have been sent out declaring the end of the longshoremen's strike at Vera Cruz and lifting of the boycott against a terminal company. This comes after big steamship companies had arranged to consign all shipments to Tampico instead of Vera Cruz and many of the commercial houses were preparing to close.

WASHINGTON—

In British India the area under peanuts, according to the first official forecast, is 1,846,000 acres, as compared with 1,489,000 acres in 1921-22. This forecast is based on reports received from Madras, Burma and Bombay, which comprise 99 per cent of the entire peanut area of British India, says Vice Consul Harold Shantz, Calcutta, in a report to the Department of Commerce.

The annual supply bill for various branches of the Government service under the Interior Department carrying \$294,215,300 has been reported to the House. The total is \$2,996,765 less than last year and \$1,142,952 below the budget estimate. The bulk of the total is for the Pension Office, which is allotted \$254,858,460, an increase of \$612,268 over last year. For the Reclamation Service the bill provides \$12,250,000 a decrease of about \$2,500,000.

Approval of the bills in Congress for a complete and new survey of the intracoastal canal from New Orleans to Corpus Christi with a view of bringing the various projects to a uniform basis, has been given by the Board of Army Engineers in letters to the House and Senate committees.

Condensed Austin News

State Treasurer Terrell said that as the New Year is ushered in the State revenue will show a deficit of about \$2,000,000.

Appeal was filed in the Court of Criminal Appeals in the case of Frank Belcher, from Fannin County, fined \$25 on a charge of disturbing religious worship.

A collision between a street car and an automobile resulted in serious injury to three men riding in the automobile and the demolition of the machine. The injured, who are now in a local hospital are: John Bachman, S. F. Duffy and A. H. Baird, all of Austin.

Mrs. W. E. Spell, chairman of the citizenship committee of the Texas State Federation of Women's Clubs, has joined Mrs. Percy V. Penaybacker, chairman of the same committee of the General Federation, in a protest issued against showing Roscoe Arbuckle films in Texas.

A Christmas custom that was broken by Governor Neff last year was repeated this time by his refusal to accept a present from his appointees. This has long been a custom among members of the Cabinet, and some very handsome gifts have been made on Christmas to both the Governor and his wife in the years gone by.

Many requests to prepare bills for the revision of the general election law have come to Assistant General L. C. Sutton, but nothing definite has been presented to him, he said. Mr. Sutton is the election law expert of the department, writing opinions, construing election disputes, and appearing for the department in election litigation.

Deputy Insurance Commissioner John M. Scott issued a call for participating carriers to meet in Austin to consider the matter of classification of risks and payment of dividends under the Workmen's Compensation Act. Under the law, such classification and the payment of dividends must be submitted and approved by the Commissioner of Insurance and Banking before it becomes effective.

The West Texas Utilities Company, which will furnish gas, electric current and electric power to thirty four counties in West Texas, was granted a charter by the State Department. The company has a capital stock of \$1,500,000, with principal offices at Abilene. Incorporators are: G. W. Fry of Taylor County, F. W. Campbell of Eastland County, and M. J. Insull of Chicago, Ill.

Protests against the recent whole sale changes in textbooks made by the Textbook Commission continue to be received at the Governor's office and at the Department of Education. They come by wire and by mail. In most instances they are signed by members of the School Board as well as the school authorities and are vigorous in their objection to the great expense added to the school system of Texas.

W. B. Head, president of the Texas Power and Light Company, was in Austin from Dallas on business with the State Department, he said. While the T. P. & L. Company is determined to extend its lines to the Colorado River, whether at Austin or Bastrop, Mr. Head says no new developments have occurred in the case of taking over the electrical plant of the city of Austin, a survey of which has been made by the company.

G. G. Kelley of Wharton and Ben M. Griffith of Magnet saw Governor Neff about arranging for a commission for General Jesse M. Carter to impertune the War Department at Washington to make assignments from the Air Service to secure photographs of the mouths and lower stretches of Texas rivers and particularly the Colorado and the great log raft which extends many miles, and which not only prevents water transportation but causes serious overflows that have resulted in large losses to plantation owners in that section of the State.

Three opinions of Assistant Attorneys General were approved recently in the conference of the Attorney General with his assistants. One provided that a per diem of \$10 shall be paid County Surveyors, instead of \$3, and \$2.50 a mile in lines run. Another held that a grandmother is not entitled to a county pension, even though she is rearing dependent children; that the law extends its benefits exclusively to mothers. The last was that a County or District Attorney is not entitled to any fee in representing the State in Juvenile Court proceedings; that the former law, allowing \$12, had been repealed.

THE MARKETS

DALLAS WHOLESALE MARKET.

Prices quoted below were those obtained at the opening of the day's business from jobbers and commission men and are subject to constant fluctuations. They are given here as an approximation of the actual market.

Dairy Products.
Selling prices in Dallas to retailers: BUTTER—Creamery 51 to 52c lb. CREAM CHEESE—31 1-2 to 33c pound. Domestic Swiss 40 to 45c, brick 34c.

Beans and Rice.
Selling prices in Dallas to retailers: DRIED BEANS—California navy, small white 7 1-2c lb., California pink beans 7 3-4c, Lima 9 1-2c. Baby Lima 9 1-2c. RICE—Fancy Blue Rose 6 1-2c.

Sugar and Syrup.
Selling prices in Dallas to retailers: SUGAR—Beet \$8.00 per 100 lbs., pure cane \$8.10 per 100 lbs. SYRUP—Louisiana pure, No. 10 cans \$5.00 a case, No. 5 cans \$5.25 a case, No. 2 1-2 cans \$5.50, No. 1 1-2 cans \$4.60.

Poultry and Eggs.
Prices paid by Dallas wholesalers to interior shippers: HENS 14 to 15c per lb. ROOSTERS—4c per lb. YOUNG CHICKENS—1 3-4 to 2 1-4 lbs., 18 to 20c per lb. TURKEYS—27c. DUCKS—14 to 15c per lb. GUINEAS—\$2.60 per doz. GESE—13 to 15c per lb. EGGS—Candled 23 to 25c per dozen. PACKING STOCK BUTTER—20c.

Grain, Hay and Feed.
Selling prices in Dallas to retailers: HAY—No. 1 prairie \$20.00 to \$22.00 per ton, Alfalfa \$26.00 per ton, Johnson Grass \$18.00 to \$18.50 per ton. CORN—\$1.05 per bushel. OATS—65c per bushel. CORN CHOPS—\$1.85 per 100 lbs. BRAN—\$1.50 to \$1.55 per 100 lbs. KAFFIR CORN—\$2.15 per 100 lbs. COTTONSEED MEAL—\$50.00 to \$52.00 a ton. BROWN SHORTS—\$1.80 per 100 lbs. HOMINY FEED—\$1.80. MILO MAIZE—\$2.25 per 100 lbs. CHICKEN FEED—Best grade \$2.80 per 100 lbs.

Fresh Vegetables.
Selling prices in Dallas to retailers: EGGPLANT—10c lb. GREEN BEANS—15c per lb. LETTUCE—California iceberg \$5.00 per crate. POTATOES—Idaho \$1.65 to \$1.75 per 100 pounds. California Burbanks 3c per lb. BEETS—4 to 5c per lb. 75c per doz. bunches. CABBAGE 3 to 3 1-2c per pound. ONIONS—Green 60 to 75c per doz. bunches, white 4c per lb. brown 3 1-2c. SWEET PEPPERS—15 to 20c lb. PARSLEY—50c per doz. bunches. TOMATOES—Cuban 6-basket crates \$5.00. CELERY \$1.50 to \$1.75 doz. CAULIFLOWER—15c per lb. SWEET POTATOES—\$1.65 per crate (50 pounds.) BRUSSELS SPROUTS—20 to 25c lb. TURNIPS—3 to 4c per lb. 90c to \$1.00 per doz. bunches. SPINACH—10c per lb. RHUBARB—12 1-2c per lb.

Packing-House Products.
Selling prices in Dallas to retailers: HAM—Extra 26c per lb., extra skinnies 27c. BREAKFAST BACON—Strips 37 1-2c, sliced 39 to 41c. DRY SALT BELLIES—18-20s 15 1-2 to 16 1-2c. PURE LARD—15 1-4 to 16 1-4c per lb. COMPOUND—13 to 13 1-2c. NUT MARGARINE—33 to 34c. FRESH PORK—Loins 22 to 24c, hams 22 to 24c, shoulders 15 to 16c.

Flour and Meal.
Selling prices in Dallas to retailers: FLOUR—Extra high patent \$8.00 per bbl., 156 lbs. basis; 48-lb. sacks \$2.00, 24-lb. sacks \$1.65, 12-lb. sacks 55c, 6-lb. sacks 28c. MEAL—50-lb. sacks \$1.25, 25-lb. sacks 65c, 10-lb. sacks 27c, 5-lb. sacks 15c.

MANY SERIOUSLY HURT IN MILL EXPLOSION

FIVE-STORY STRUCTURE IN KANSAS CITY SUFFERS \$150,000 LOSS

Kansas City, Mo.—More than thirty men are injured and burned, some possibly fatally, as the result of a dust explosion and fire at the mill of the Schreiber Flour and Cereal Company here. The plant was destroyed with an estimated loss of from \$125,000 to \$150,000.

Twenty-six persons were given emergency treatment at the General Hospital, of whom thirteen were transferred to private hospitals for further treatment. Several others were treated at police headquarters.

Firemen began excavating in the ruins where a man was said to have been seen immediately after the explosion. This man, it was said, made two attempts to escape from the building through a window, but each time seemed to lack strength, and fell back into the flames.

The fifty or sixty men working in the mill virtually were trapped, some of them injured by the concussion. Then fire appeared to break out throughout the building. Men with burns and other injuries staggered out and were rushed to hospitals for medical treatment.

The mill was a five-story structure with few openings, making it difficult for the firemen to make headway against the flames. The fire, which for a time threatened several near-by buildings, was brought under control within an hour after the explosion.

"I regret to hear that the Turks have rejected the allied proposals," he stated. "Japan has accepted capitulations for years during which, with the aid of European Nations, Japan has developed herself until, finally with full consent of the European powers, the capitulations were abolished. It is imperative that the Turks do the same."

\$10,000 Fire at Whitewright.
Whitewright, Texas.—A large warehouse containing 400 tons of baled hay was destroyed by fire here, entailing a loss of approximately \$10,000.

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it for me and I took three bottles before I stopped—then off and on for the last three years just as a tonic. I saw a decided improvement after my first bottle. I used the three, and was able to do my work with ease, and now I sew for my family and for others. I am feeling fine, and strong and well."

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The Boar's Head.

The old Christmas dishes were, of course, largely determined by the food material available for the Christmas board. The existence of thousands of wild boars in the woods made boar hunting one of the national sports, and the boar's head with its concomitant brawn, one of the most popular among Christmas dishes. The old custom of serving up this ancient dish at Queen's college, Oxford, is associated with a legend to the effect that in olden days one of the students, when attacked by one of these wild denizens of the woods, saved himself from its jaws by thrusting his Greek lexicon down its throat, with the ejaculation, "Graecum est" (It is Greek). Of course the beast was choked, the "choking" possibilities of such a dry-as-dust volume being generally understood.

HER LESSER HALF.

Come into the next room, reader. Y'see we was right. That wasn't his fiancée, at all, although it was a sort of ex-fiancée, 'cause he's her lesser half. Merry Christmas.



Raisin Toffee.

One and one-half cupfuls brown sugar, ¼ cupful vinegar, 2 tablespoonfuls butter, ¼ cupful broken walnut meats, ½ cupful chopped raisins. Cook sugar and vinegar together until it forms a hard ball when tested in cold water. Add butter and pour on nuts and raisins arranged in a greased pan. As it hardens mark into squares.

TURKISH JURISDICTION THREATENS PARLEY

Abolition of All Capitulations, Including Business Rights of Foreigners, Also His Idea.

Lausanne.—Ismet Pasha, a small but compactly built Mohammedan, with melancholy black eyes, stood behind the conference table and in a low voice uttered defiance to the Western world.

Almost at the same time orders were flashed to the British fleet at Malta to sail immediately for Constantinople—the answer of England to that defy.

Thus was the Near East peace conference, laboring here for many days, brought to a climax with the potential threat of war.

Ismet, whose swarthy complexion is sharply set off by his coal black hair and small black mustache, would be taken for a man of letters or perhaps an artist rather than a statesman or a soldier. Yet, as he quietly voiced his unequivocal stand in opposition to the strong utterances which were to follow by Curzon of England, Child of the United States, Barrere of France and Hayashi of Japan, there was that in his bearing reminiscent of his training in the great French military academy of Saint Cyr and the memory of his leadership at the head of the forces which routed the Greeks in Asia Minor.

Speaking deliberately and quietly in French, his only evidence of concern at the possible havoc he was bringing upon the peace of Europe was his constant toying with his Mohammedan taspe—a string of beads, like a rosary, but used to play with and not to pray with.

It was a striking picture, this adamant resistance, personified by the Mohammedan leader, to the plea for the sanctity of life and property forcefully laid down to him by the representatives of the other countries at the conference.

Not only did Ismet reject the demand of the allies that the status quo of Mosul be maintained but he also demanded the abolition of all other capitulations which include rights of foreigners in Turkey, business concessions and other subjects.

"It is apparent that peace is impossible," snapped Curzon after Ismet had finished. "We merely asked protection of the lives and property of foreigners and the Turks rejected everything, principally on the grounds of infringement of sovereignty. I am tired of replying to that argument.

"Ismet can wrap up his sovereignty and put it in the closet, no one wishes to infringe on it."

"I am obliged," declared M. Barrere, French delegate. "to say that the Turks have taken a position on a ground where the allies can not meet them. I am amazed to hear Ismet characterize mixed tribunals such as we have proposed to sit at The Hague as worse than capitulations."

Textbook Change Disapproved. PUEBLO, Texas.—At a meeting of the County Board of Education which was held to appoint trustees to fill vacancies in school districts and to make transfers for high school purposes, a resolution was adopted requesting that there be no change in textbooks at this time.

10-Ton Rock Hurtles Through Town Nice.—Hurling down the mountain side at the rate of 100 miles an hour, a ten-ton rock cut a swath through the village of Duranus. The rock stopped in the dining-room of a house and a villager, who was sleeping in the next room, remained unaware of the din.

FINANCIAL EXPERTS FOR REPARATIONS

Reparations Not Merely European Matter, He Says—Against Arbitration by U. S.

New Haven, Conn.—A suggestion that an independent commission of men competent in financial affairs could accomplish more than a general international conference toward solution of the European reparations tangle was put forward by Secretary Hughes here in the first public pronouncement on the economic crisis to come from responsible officials of the administration at Washington.

The Secretary, who spoke before the American Historical Association added that he had "no doubt" distinguished Americans would be willing to serve on such a commission which he said might well be kept free from any responsibility to foreign officers or any duty to obey political instructions. Once advantage had been taken of the opportunities thus afforded, he said, "the avenues of American helpfulness can not fail to open hopefully."

Referring to suggestions that the United States assume the role of arbiter in the reparations dispute Mr. Hughes said a sufficient answer to that was the fact "that we have not been asked." He went on to say he did not believe this Government should take such a burden of responsibility.

Throughout his discussion the secretary recognized that the questions of German reparations lay at the root of any economic settlement. The problems abroad, he said, are world problems and could not be disposed of "by calling them European." He declared the United States would "view with disfavor measures which instead of producing reparations would threaten disaster" and said no one could foresee the "serious consequences" which might ensue if forcible means were adopted to obtain reparations from Germany.

NEFF LIFTS ALL OPEN PORT IN TEXAS CITIES

Rangers to Be Withdrawn From Points Heretofore Under Law.

Austin, Texas.—Governor Neff has issued a proclamation lifting the open port law at Sherman, Denison, Childress, Marshall, Tyler and Palestine, effective at midnight Jan. 1.

The open port law has been in effect at these places for a long period on account of strike of railroad shopmen.

After Jan. 1 there will not be a town in the State under the open port law.

As soon as the Governor's proclamation becomes effective, rangers both regulars and specials, will be withdrawn.

At present the largest force of rangers is stationed at Denison, under command of Captain Tom R. Hickman, there being forty-five regular and special rangers on duty there.

43,221 Bales Ginned.

Rockdale, Texas.—Cotton ginned in Milam County up to Dec. 13, reported by Basil McGregor of Milam special agent, was 43,221 bales of 500 pounds. This shows a gain of 622 bales ginned in the thirteen days since Dec. 1, the ginnings then reported being 42,599. These figures compare with a total of 22,115 bales to Dec. 13, 1921, and a total of 72,115 bales in 1920. Cotton still is being picked in scattering fields.

COURTS TO DECIDE AS TO SECURITIES

ISSUE AS TO LIABILITY ON LOST OR STOLEN BONDS AND NOTES.

LARGE SUM IS INVOLVED

Government Attorneys Will Plead Principle of Negotiable Instruments Law.

Washington.—The question of the Government's liability on lost or stolen United States securities has been raised and put before the highest courts for decision. This question is involved in the case of the State Savings Bank of Ortle, S. D. vs. the United States of America, now pending before the United States Court of Claims.

Judicial officers of the Government consider the question to be one of the most important phases of post-war litigation now pressing for settlement. The immediate result of a decision on the question is a loss or saving to the Government of many millions of dollars, while the precedent established by a decision in the case will affect increasingly large amounts in the future. So vital is the question from the standpoint of the Government that the Department of Justice has undertaken the defense of the United States' liability and will carry the fight to the United States Supreme Court, if necessary, to win a victory. This course probably will become necessary.

In brief, the courts have been called upon to decide whether the Government shall redeem its securities by payment to the original owner where the securities have been lost or stolen and the Government notified of the loss or by payment to the bearer, regardless of notice to the Government of the loss. If the question is answered by the courts in the affirmative, the Government often must pay twice in the redemption of securities by payment to the rightful owner and to the bearer as well. If the courts decide otherwise, the Government will continue the present practice of refusing to pay in the redemption of securities unless the securities are presented.

Government attorneys will defend against the contended liability of the Government for stolen or lost securities by advancing the law of negotiable instruments; that securities, like negotiable paper, speak for themselves. When bearer bonds or other securities are presented for redemption, the Treasury is compelled to honor the obligation, regardless of notice already filed that the securities have been acquired by the bearer unlawfully or through unlawful means the Government contends. Under the view taken by the Department of Justice, the Government is not responsible for the negotiable instruments of the United States of any kind that have been lost or stolen.

FOURTH TURK ARMY CORPS IS ADVANCING

Curzon Stand Alarms His Nationals; Ismet's Inflames Angora.

Malta.—British subjects, fearing that the Turks will attempt to injure them because of the stand that Lord Curzon has taken at the Lausanne Near Eastern peace conference are fleeing from Constantinople, according to advices received here. The British are flocking to Malta and Cyprus.

Angora.—The Turkish National Assembly, in session here, is dissatisfied with the policy of Ismet Pasha, Kemalist representative at the Lausanne Near Eastern peace conference. The Assembly, whose word is final in governmental affairs, believes that Ismet had conceded too much to the allies.

It was reported here that the fourth Turkish army is moving toward Bigha and the Dardanelles.

London.—A revolt has broken out in Mosul, in the Kingdom of Iraq says a dispatch from Constantinople. The report is credited to a dispatch received from Angora. The hangars of the British air force, which is policing Mesopotamia on behalf of the Arab Government, are declared to have been burned.

Germans Have New Plans.

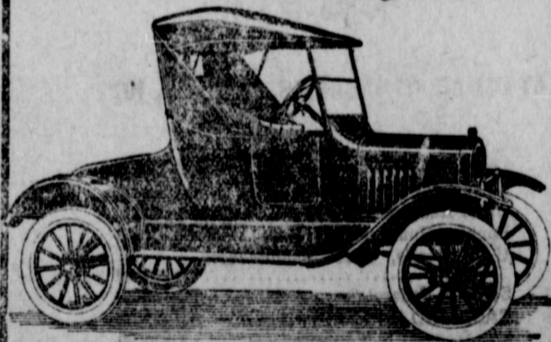
Paris.—Dr. Wilhelm Mayer, the German Ambassador, called at the Foreign Office and announced that Karl Bergmann, the German financial expert, would bring to Paris new propositions on reparations from the German Government. Herr Bergmann is expected to reach Paris im-

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CLYDE PEOPLE INSTAL RADIO FOR SICK MAN

Clyde, 1-2 '23.

Dr. Miller's friends have had a radio installed in the latter's home for his pleasure and convenience. This will no doubt cheer him up in his lonely moments and make life more worthwhile for him. The doctor has been paralyzed now for more than two years and during all this time he has manifested a jovial, pleasant disposition and has always been glad to have his friends drop in to see him. His good wife has borne the trials incident to such surroundings with a fortitude possessed by few women.

Christmas, with its pleasures and sorrows has come and gone again and the New Year has been ushered in again with its new obligations and responsibilities. In the beginning of this New Year this scribe would rejoice if he only knew the right thing to say to The Baird Star readers to have an encouraging effect on them and stimulate them along the line of renewing their vows to support more strongly than in the past the three following fundamental institutions: The Home, the School and the Church. In my estimation, if all three of these organizations were properly managed and supported, there would be very little need of spending money and wasting time in law enforcement and preparations for war. May the people think more on this subject.

Charlie Peek and family, who recently moved from here to Hospel, visited relatives in Clyde during the Christmas holidays. It is rumored that Charlie will move back to Clyde in the near future. Its people will welcome him, as he was one of our best citizens. He and his wife were practically raised here.

Mr. O Stan, who has been running a racket store here for about a year, has moved to Vernon, where it is presumed he will continue in business.

The following school teachers, whose homes are in or near Clyde, returned home to spend the holidays: Miss Thelma Sikes, from Hamlin; Miss Edna Bouchett, from Sweetwater; Miss Gladys Slater, from Van Horn; Misses Edith Coward and Mittie Jones, from somewhere in Howard and Nolan Counties.

Mrs. Mae Williams and children, of Roscoe, visited Mrs. Williams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Slater here, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Slater sponsored a social entertainment last Thursday night, at their home here, in honor of Mrs. Pearl Peek, cousin of Mrs. Slater, who was visiting here from Haskell. It was attended by the young married people. Games were played for amusement, refresh-

ments were served and a splendid social time was enjoyed by all.

Mrs. Mae Bowman went to Austin a few days before Christmas, to be with her sister, Miss Septima Smith, who was operated upon for appendicitis. A letter from Mrs. Bowman to friends here, states that Miss Septima stood the operation well, and is on the road to an early recovery. Her many friends here and elsewhere will be glad to learn of this and to rejoice with Mrs. Bowman in Miss Septima's speedy return to normal health. XXX

NEXT BAIRD LYCEUM NUMBER CARDIN LIEURANCE ORCHESTRA

Two of the finest Indian artists, Mr. Frederick Cardin, violinist, and Mr. William Reddie, cellist, will be heard in the concert of the Cardin-Lieurance Orchestra and String Quartet, which is to appear here as one of the red letter musical events of the season, on next Friday evening, January 12, at the School Auditorium.

It is an interesting fact that the Cardin-Lieurance Orchestra was personally selected and coached by Thurlow Lieurance, the noted composer and authority on Indian music and best known as the author of "Waters of Minnetonka."

The program, too, has been chosen by Mr. Lieurance, and will embrace symphonic and chamber music numbers from Rubenstein, Verdi, Rossini and others. Mr. Lieurance, of course, does not travel with the organization, but he has personally prepared the splendid program which will be offered.

The Cardin-Lieurance Orchestra carries out the high ideals set by its director. It is in every sense a first-class organization, playing the standardized works from the modern symphony laboratory, as well as the best in the chamber music arrangement. The members are all artists of high capabilities, most of whom have made names for themselves in recital work.

Miss Gladys Gooding, soloist with the organization, has a remarkably fine soprano voice. She possesses a surprising gauge, and the beauty of her tones always create a profound impression.

The String Quartet, of course, is built around Mr. Cardin and Mr. Reddie, and the finest tonal and ensemble effects are promised, and the most difficult, as well as the most beautifying arrangements will be used. All in all, the Cardin-Lieurance Company will offer a very fine program to those Bairdites who enjoy a finished art in instrumental music.

FARMERS IN EULA SECTION NOT KICKING SAYS "PATSIÉ"

Eula, 12-31-22.

Well, Uncle Billie, how are you and The Star force?

We are doing fine out this way. We have had a fine Christmas but are now needing rain. I guess, though, we'll have rain in time to save our grain. Farmers are all plowing. We all think we can accept the New Year in good spirits, for we made good crops last year and got good prices for them. So we all have no kick coming in 1923. There have been several farms sold here for from \$60 to \$75 per acre.

Well, Uncle Bill, I will tell you about my Christmas. You know when I am telling on myself I am not telling on the other fellow.

Christmas day W. P. Miller had his children and sons-in-law with him. We sure had a fine Christmas dinner. What we did to that turkey was a plenty. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. J. McCoy, from the Bayou; Mr. and Mrs. Rod Kelton, of Baird; Mr. and

Mrs. R. P. Stephenson, of Eula.

Christmas night I took a train for Teague to visit a cousin of mine, Doctor Lorey, whom I had not seen in twenty years. On my way down there I met Uncle Bob Kendall and his daughter, Miss Grace. I was sure glad to see them. They said they still loved Baird and her good people. Uncle Bob said: "Remember me to W. E. Gilliland and Bob Nunnally." You know Mr. Nunnally roomed with them for years.

Well, news is scarce, and I won't write any more this time. Will write more often during the year 1923, for I am sure the readers of The Star are all anxious to hear from Patsie. While they are reading his letter they are not talking about their neighbors.

Happy New Year!

Patsie.

MRS. T. J. AUSTIN DEAD

Mrs. T. J. Austin, mother of Mrs. John Blakley, of Belle Plaine, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Emma Santee, in Wagner, Okla. on Thursday night of last week. In her last illness she was attended by Mrs. Austin has made her home with her daughter since the death of her husband, Rev. T. J. Austin, several years ago. Rev. and Mrs. Austin were among the early settlers of Callahan county and Mr. Austin served one term as county judge before the county seat was moved from Belle Plaine to Baird. They had many friends among the older settlers, who will bear with regret of the death of Mrs. Austin, who went through all the hardships of frontier life with her husband, whose body sleeps in the beautiful cemetery at Belle Plaine. Mrs. Austin was 90 years of age.

THREE SCORED BEAU NOT HIGH

The Beau Not Bridge Club met on Thursday of last week with Miss Hazel Magea.

High score was awarded to Mrs. Walter Bowler and Miss Geneva Love, as guest of the club and to Mrs. Bill Works as member.

Dainty refreshments were served to the following: Misses Lua James, Bonnie Cutbirth, Mamie Morrison, India Mae Ramsey, Glyndol Elliot, Lucille Hawk, Nena Kate Ramsey, Geneva Love; Messrs. E. E. Gilbert, James Ross, Walter Bowler George Hall and Bill Works.

"MONTE CRISTO" AT THE SIGAL

Monday and Tuesday nights at the Sigal Theatre, William Fox presents "Monte Cristo," by Alexander Dumas, directed by Emmett J. Flynn, who also directed "A Connecticut Yankee."

"Monte Cristo" was the sensation of London, the fascination of Paris and a stupendous success in New York. Superb screen effects, to match the most extraordinary story in the world.

Portrayed by an all-star cast: John Gilbert, Robert McKim, Virginia B. Fare, Renee Adoree, Wm. V. Mong, Estelle Taylor, George Selgmann, Spottiswood Aitkin and Maude George.

At the Sigal Theatre, Monday and Tuesday nights. Admission, 33 and 10 cents. The Denver Times says: "See 'Monte Cristo' if you have to mortgage the old homestead." Go thou and do likewise!

AT THE METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday morning our subject will be: "The Unity of the Early Church," and Sunday evening, "Christ and the Generation of Vipers."

Also Sunday is Communion Day, his being the first Sunday in the new year. We should have a full turnout.

Special request by the officers and teachers of the Sunday School that every one, old and young, be on hand next Sunday.

A cordial welcome for all.
T. J. Rea, Pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Q. Evans returned yesterday morning from a visit with Mr. Evans' mother at Rosebud Texas.

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We will have our regular services next Sunday, and the doors of the church will be opened to receive members. Quarterly Communion Service at the morning hour. A brief sermon will be delivered in connection with the service, on "Forgiveness Only Through The World."

Evening theme: "The Life of Trust." This life is rational. There are reasons why we should trust. Your presence is earnestly solicited.
Cordially,
Gerald Fitzgerald, Pastor.

PROGRAM AT CHURCH OF CHRIST

The following program will be given by the Church of Christ, Sunday, January 7, at 6:30 p. m.:

Subject: "Stones of the Kingdom of Israel."

Leader: Ida Beebe.

Song: Class.

Scripture Reading: 1st Kings, 21:1-2.

Prayer: Lee Counts.

Duet: Opal Corn, Pauline Dallas.

"The Prayer that was Answered in Fire": India Mae Ramsey.

"What Ahab Paid for his Vineyard": Mrs. Joe Stovall.

Song: Class.

"The Pot of Oil and the Pot of Poison": Maggie Lou Price.

"The Little Boy at Shushan": Novella Hancock.

Mixed Quartette.

STATEMENT

The First National Bank

BAIRD, TEXAS

AT CLOSE OF BUSINESS, DEC. 29, 1922

Resources

Loans and Discounts.....	\$431,281.90
Stocks and Other Securities.....	7,921.91
Other Real Estate owned.....	7,200.00
Banking House and Fixtures.....	7,815.00
U. S. Bonds, Cert. Indebtedness	
WSS.....	38,100.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank...	2,250.00
CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS	241,813.14
Due from U. S. Treasurer.....	1,250.00

\$737,631.95

Liabilities

Capital.....	\$50,000.00
Surplus and Profits.....	39,030.51
Circulation.....	25,000.00
DEPOSITS.....	623,601.44
REDISCOUNTS.....	NONE
BILLS PAYABLE.....	NONE

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Statement of the Condition of First Guaranty State Bank

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At the Close of Business, Dec. 29, 1922

Resources

Loans and Discounts.....	\$231,172.79
Banking House.....	14,772.56
Furniture, and Fixtures.....	4,924.80
Interest in Guaranty Fund.....	1,500.00
Assessment in Guaranty fund...	20.01
Cash and Exchange.....	235,041.96
Bills of Exchange (Cotton).....	28,843.41
Other Resources.....	100.00
	\$516,375.53

Liabilities

Capital.....	\$50,000.00
Undivided Profits.....	4,170.04
Deposits.....	462,205.49
	\$516,375.53

Gain in deposits, \$124,564.09

Gain in deposits, per day, since last report, Sept. 15, of \$1482.90

T. E. POWELL, Cashier.

PERSONALS

Mrs. W. O. Miller spent the holidays with friends in El Paso.

Miss Julia Bland spent Christmas day with her mother in Ft. Worth.

Mrs. W. L. Henry is visiting her daughter, Mrs. M. D. Hoover, in Dallas.

Miss Hazel Becker, of Fort Worth, visited Miss Hilda Atkin during the holidays.

Misses Eva and Lillian Cutbirth, of Brownwood, visited relatives in Baird during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cutbirth, of Burnt Branch, spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. J. B. Cutbirth.

Miss Rex Gilliland, of Breckenridge, spent Christmas with her mother, Mrs. J. E. Gilliland.

Miss Levern Warren, of Abilene, was the guest of Mrs. W. O. Miller and Miss Pauline Terrell, during the past few days.

Miss Anne McEver, of Ranger, has been the guest of Miss Maggie Lou Price, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Wane Tackett, of Wichita Falls, are visiting Mrs. Tackett's parents, Mrs. R. D. White.

Mrs. W. L. Mullins, of Sweetwater, visited Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Dickey and family, the past week.

Come to the Epworth League meeting at the Methodist Church, next Sunday, at 6 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. George G. Carter, of Abilene, spent Christmas day with B. L. Boydstun and family.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brightwell and daughter Berna Louise, of Brownwood, spent Christmas with relatives in Baird.

Mrs. Ross Williams, of Amarilla, spent Christmas with Mrs. Williams' parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Wristen.

Mrs. R. E. Barker and Mrs. Roy Culley, of Abilene, visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. White, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Wheeler of DeKalb are visiting Mr. Wheeler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Wheeler.

Miss Inez Franklin has returned to Fort Worth, after spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Franklin.

Start the New Year right by coming to the Epworth League meeting next Sunday, January 7, and keep the good work going.

Leland Jackson will give a free radio concert at the School Auditorium tonight (Friday), and everybody is invited to attend.

Mrs. Woodin and daughter, Miss Ruby, who spent Christmas with Mrs. Woodin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. D. Ground, left last Thursday for their home in Kansas City.

Mr. and W. A. Hinde have returned from Toyah where they spent Christmas with their daughters, Mesdames Anne Rhurup and Dee Davis.

Miss Opal McFarlane, of Dallas, and S. C. McFarlane, of Breckenridge, spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Price McFarlane.

Mrs. George C. Page, of Dallas, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cooner, during the Christmas holidays.

Claude Flores, who is with the engineering corps constructing the immense water impounding dam near Wichita Falls, is home on a two week's holiday.

County Clerk Grady G. Reppens paid a visit to Abilene Wednesday, to show off his new Ford Roadster and incidentally attend to a little matter of business.

There will be an Epworth League meeting at the Methodist Church at 6 o'clock p. m., Sunday, January 7. The young people are cordially invited to come. If you are young, be there. Don't forget.

Miss Pauline Terrell who is teaching in the Public Schools of Ranger, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Terrell. She also spent a few days with friends in Abilene.

Miss Kate Hearn visited her sister, Mrs. Everett Hughes, in Winters the latter part of last week. Her little daughter, Carlyde who spent the holidays with Mrs. Hughes accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Graves and little son, Charles Henry, returned to their home at Dallas, Sunday, after spending the holidays with Mrs. Graves' parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Conner.

On Christmas evening Mr. Beler Freeland and Miss Belle Coppinger, of Cottonwood, were united in marriage in front of the Manse, by Rev. Gerald Fitzgerald, pastor of the Presbyterian Church.

"Monte Cristo," which is to be screened at the Sigal Theatre Monday and Tuesday nights, is great because it is life; it is life because it has: Prison and prosperity, vengeance and vanity, pride and subtlety, courage and caution. Don't miss it.

Youth and age, romance and riches, avarice and adventure have their orderly places in the screen version of that most thrilling of romances, "Monte Cristo," to be shown at the Sigal Theatre Monday and Tuesday nights—33 and 10 cents admission.

The for-a long-time leaking gas pipe at the intersection of Market Street and Mac Bell Avenue has been repaired and Doc Dubberly need have no further fear of being blown to kingdom come when he burns his paper trash.

Homer Boatwright, George Sanders and the latter's little sons scared up a den of big rattlesnakes in a rocky cleft in the Finley Pasture, near Deep Creek, Christmas Day, and exterminated a half hundred of the "pizen" reptiles.

The estimable Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Beebe and children, left Thursday of last week for Eliasville, where they will make their future home, and the best wishes of their many friends for their future success will follow them to their new abiding place.

The Baird Municipal Band, which, counting the "juniors," who are becoming marvellously proficient in harmony and musical technique, under the expert tutelage of Leader, Instructor Charles E. Strain, swells the membership to 25—count 'em—25, gave a very enjoyable concert on Market Street Saturday afternoon.

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Rev. George E. Prints pronounced the solemn words Wednesday afternoon, January third, in this year of grace, nineteen hundred and twenty three, which united in the holy bonds of wedlock, Mr. C. A. Merrick, of Big Spring and Mrs. Clara M. Estes, of Clyde.

George B. Scott, who for several years has most acceptably held the position of teller of the First National Bank, has moved to Cross Plains, where, on the first instant, he took charge of the Guaranty State Bank, as its cashier. His estimable family accompany him. In the going away of the Scotts Baird suffers a distinct loss and only good wishes follow them to their new home.

At the last meeting of the Baird Independent School District Board of Trustees it was agreed to allow four months free tuition to all children entering school from outside the Baird district, at the expiration of which time a charge of \$2 per month for the tuition of primary pupils, \$3 for intermediate pupils and \$4 for high school students, will be charged parents or guardians. Twenty-five new pupils entered the school with the beginning of the new year.

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There is, in the electric industry, a purity of motive and a devotion to purpose which makes of the industry not a business, but a splendid service. It is a satisfactory service for those men and women giving their energies and their lives to it, so long as the citizens actually served, through fair treatment, make it possible for the electric industry to continue to attract capital with which to make improvements and extensions that will always be demanded of them by progressive communities.

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NOTICE OF SALE

Whereas, on the 23d day of September, A. D. 1920, the Consolidated Oil Company of Texas, for the purpose of securing Schaffner Brothers in the payment of five notes, four being for the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) each and one for the sum of Two Thousand and Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$2,250.00), executed by said Consolidated Oil Company, dated December 1, 1919 and payable to said Schaffner Brothers on March 1, 1920, May 1, 1920, June 1, 1920, September 1, 1920 and November 1, 1920, respectively, with interest from date, at the rate of six (6) per cent per annum, and providing for the payment of ten (10) per cent attorney's fees, executed a certain chattel mortgage, whereby it gave to said Schaffner Brothers a mortgage lien on the following described personal property and chattels:

1 30 H. P. boiler and 12x12 Ajax engine; 1 belt; 3 4 1-2 stems (2-36 ft. long, 1-26 ft. long); 1 7-8 in. wire drilling cable soft laved; 1 set 6-inch bits; 3 sets 5 1-2 drilling jars; 1 casing outfit, 1 1-8 line, 1 heavy block; 2 hooks, 2 sets of chain tongs, 1 extra heavy and 1 light set; 1 chain casing wrench catcher 15 1-2 to 6 5-8 casing; 1 ring and slips for casing; elevator 15 12 10-8-6; 2 sets of 4 squares; 1 set of small jars for 5 in. hole; 2 sets of tools, wrenches, 5 in. square and 2 sets of cutmen's for same; 3 Manila rope socket; 1 Manila rope socket for 5 in. hole; 2 damp rods; 1 8 in. bit; 3 ballers 15-8 5; 3 temper screw; 2 sets of rope clamps; 1 set of wire line clamps; 1 half-inch sand line 7000 feet; 1 piece of new 5-8 sand line 600 ft. long; 1 bit ram sub. 3 3-4 plus, 4 7-8 box; 3 stiff wire line rope sockets; 1 swivel socket 3 3-4 joint; 1 crane complete; 1 tool box complete; 2 casing wagons; 1 circle and jack; 1 iron forg; 1 extra new shaft for Ajax engine 12 by 12; 1 new star blower; 1 D leo light outfit; 2 in. tongs, 1-2 barrel tallow; 2 kegs of nails and spikes; 1 tool joint smoother; 1 flew expander; a lot of 1 and 2 inch connections; 2 new 3 3-4 plus 3-4 5-8 boxes at Spang; 1 iron slack tub; 1 derrick top; 1 2-ton Republic truck; 1 Ford flaver Henry type; 1 eye box and hook with 3 3-4 joint; 1 set of long stroke fishing jar; 1 8 in. collar socket; 1 heavy rope spear; 1 rope spear; 2 spuds, one for ten in. hole, one for 8 in. hole; 1 8 in. clip socket; 1 10 in. clip socket; 1 catch jack for 6 5-8 hole; 1 2-pronged hinge grabs 6 in. hole; 1 Manila rope knife, jars and swivel eye box and 4 new knives; 1 blind box for 6 in. hole; 1 new 6 5-8 in. combination socket

3 set connelly pin strip; 1 tool bumper 20 ft. long; lot of pipe, 39 joints 3 in., 25 joints 1 1-2 in., 4 joints 1 in., 22 joints 1 in., 3 joints 3-8 in., 3 joints 1-2 in., all of said property, being located on Vestal property; and.

Whereas, said mortgage provided, among other things, that in case default should be made in the payment of the principal or interest on said notes at maturity, Schaffner Brothers, their agents or representative, should be authorized to take possession of said property and sell the same at public auction for cash at the Court House door of Callahan County, Texas, without having said property present at the time and place of sale, after giving notice of the time, terms and place of sale, as is required for the sale of personal property under execution, and to apply the proceeds of such sale, first to the expense of making such sale, second to the payment of said notes then remaining unpaid, and the balance of said proceeds, if any balance should remain, to be paid to the mortgagors or to their heirs; and.

Whereas, default has been made in the payment of each and all said notes, and all of them, together with accrued interest thereon, remain wholly unpaid.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that we will sell said above described property at the door of the Court House of Callahan County, Texas, at public sale, for cash, at 2 o'clock p. m., on Monday, the 15th day of January, A. D. 1923.

SCHAFFNER BROS.

APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY GUARDIAN

The State of Texas, County of Callahan.

To all persons interested in the welfare of Harold B. Mills, a minor.

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of December, 1922, Mrs. Mary Alice Mills was duly appointed by the Hon. J. R. Black, Judge of the County Court of Callahan County, the temporary guardian of the estate of Harold B. Mills, a minor, and all persons interested in the welfare of the said minor may, if they see proper to do so, appear at the next regular term of the Probate Court, to be held on the 5th day of February, 1923, and contest said appointment; and, if said appointment is not contested, the same shall become permanent.

In County Court of Callahan County, Texas.

Grady G. Respass, Clerk Court, Callahan County, Tex.

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas, County of Callahan.

To the Sheriff or any Constable of Callahan County, Greetings

You are hereby commanded to cause to be published in any newspaper of general circulation, which has been continuously and regularly published for a period of not less than one year in Callahan County, Texas, once each week for three consecutive weeks before the return day hereof, a true copy of the following Citation:

The State of Texas:—To all Persons Interested in the Estate of F. M. Dunlap, Deceased:

Mrs. Minerva Dunlap has filed in the County Court of Callahan County, Texas, an application for the probate of the Last Will and Testament of said F. M. Dunlap, Deceased, filed with said application, and for Letters Testamentary of the Estate of F. M. Dunlap, Deceased, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing on the first Monday in February, A. D. 1923, at the Court House thereof in Baird, at which time all persons interested in said Estate, may appear and contest said application, should they desire to do so.

Herein fail not, but have you before said Court, on the said first day of the next term thereof of this writ, with your return thereon, showing how you have executed the same.

Given under my hand and the seal of said Court, at my office in Baird, Texas, this 1st day of January, A. D. 1923.

[Seal] Grady G. Respass, Clerk Of the County Court, Callahan County Texas.

MASS MEETING OF CALLAHAN PUREBRED LIVESTOCK ASS'N

Officers, Directors and Members of the Callahan County Purebred Livestock Association:

Notice is hereby given that there will be a mass meeting held at 2 p. m., Saturday, January 6th, 1923, at Cisco, Texas, for the purpose of organizing a Callahan-Eastland County Purebred Livestock Association, taking in the two counties under one organization, and it is desired that all members and those who are interested in livestock be present at the above stated hour, as I feel this move to be a progressive step in the two counties in the line of promotion of better livestock, that will work for increased finan-

cial benefit to all.

Signed, M. W. Armistead, Pres. Callahan County Purebred Livestock Association. 3 3t

NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that on December, 12, 1922, application was filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, D. C. on behalf of MISSOURI-KANSAS-TEXAS RAILROAD COMPANY of Texas, a corporation to be organized under the laws of Texas, for authority for the acquisition and operation of certain lines of railroad (aggregating approximately 1,400 miles) and other property in the State of Texas owned or leased by The Missouri, Kansas & Texas Railway Company of Texas.

Dated, St. Louis, Mo., December 12, 1922.

JOSEPH M. BRYSON.

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NEW T. & P. TRAIN SCHEDULE

The following is the new schedule of passenger trains, arriving and departing from Baird, which became effective on and after Sunday, December 10, 1922:

EAST BOUND		
Train No.	Arrives	Depart
4	11:00 a. m.	11:15 a. m.
2	9:55 a. m.	10:05 a. m.
16	1:35 a. m.	1:45 a. m.
WEST BOUND		
1	8:05 p. m.	8:15 p. m.
23	3:45 p. m.	3:55 p. m.
15	3:10 a. m.	3:20 a. m.

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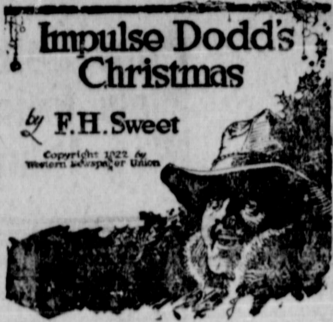
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Impulse Dodd's Christmas
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TOMMY Dodd, "Impulse Dodd," cattleman, was in Chicago, with his big sale over. And even in Chicago, where sight-seeing cattlemen were common, Impulse Dodd was a noticeable figure, with his six feet odd, free money ways, and almost perpetual smile.

He paused in front of a small, narrow store, whose one window was full of toys. Inside, the counter and shelves were packed with the same kind of goods. "Just Santa," said Impulse, aloud. "Believe I'll go in."

He closed his fingers tightly and pushed open the door with his thumb, stiffly extended. "Put in his thumb," he grinned, "and does he pull out a plum?"

In the shop were two men, the one in front of the counter loud-voiced and threatening. "Well," this one was finishing, as Impulse entered, "I'll give you just two more days to meet your bill, till the day after Christmas. If you don't pay me in full then, I will take possession."

As the man stalked out, Impulse raised his right foot and swung it back and forth thoughtfully. "Can I show you anything, sir?" he asked a moment later as Impulse turned to the counter with a half-regretful frown on his face, adding: "It's just as well you didn't do it, sir. He's a very vindictive man."

"That so? Then I sure wish I had. I don't generally hold back on things but this city's getting me right scared. I've reined up unusual the last three days. Now 'bout the toys. That man's talk is so easy unraveled. I reckon you'll sell cheap?"

"At almost your own price, sir. There is only this one day to sell, and I can't hope to do enough. I've seen failure for a week past, though for a while I did hope to come out in condition to start again. Now what can I show you?"

"Well, not only one solitary thing in particular, I reckon," scanning the shelves judiciously. "They all look right enticing, and what I didn't buy would make me feel sorry to look at. What'll you take for the bunch?"

The storekeeper moved along the counter, trying to arrange his goods more attractively. "Look around all you want to," he said amiably. "And there is an easy chair back yonder where you can sit and rest, if you like."

Impulse followed him. "No wonder you can't sell, if you treat all customers like me," he complained. "Now, see here," slapping a big roll of bills on the counter. "How



"How Much," Demanded Impulse. "Remember there's only one day for selling Santa stuff." "Do you mean business?" asked the shopkeeper, a sudden huskiness coming into his voice. "How much?" "Fifteen hundred, if you mean the cost. But I warn you it's too late to sell much—"

"Oh, I'm sure a hustler down home," cheerfully, "and I've a hunch I can move Santa goods toler'ble brisk the day before the day. Now let's see, fifteen, with a fair per cent for profit and a little for good will makes it just two thousand. There you are," peeling off another bill or two, and then replacing the roll in his pocket. "Now you've got to throw in your services

as clerk for the rest of the day.

"But I can't—" began the dazed shopkeeper. But Impulse was at the door.

"Back right soon," he called. "Be getting the goods ready to handle quick."

Outside, Impulse glanced up and down the street. Half a dozen urchins were playing on the sidewalk, two or three were hanging behind a dray, a newsboy was crying his papers. Other youngsters were dimly seen among pedestrians and street vehicles. Impulse put two fingers into his mouth and blew a blast that would cover a mile on the prairie. At the same

time the other hand was coming from his pocket with all the coins his fingers could grasp. These were tossed into the air. By the time they had ceased jingling on the sidewalk, fifty more or less grumpy little hands were clutching for them.

"Now, you bunch," called Impulse. "Just listen to me for a minute. Who's the most no 'count boy in this neighborhood?"

"Crawfish Bobby," answered a voice promptly. "He never stands treat, an' carries every cent home to his ma-a."

"And the most unpopular girl?"

There was a short silence, then several of the boys tittered.

"Raggy Sally," said one of them. "She's Peanut Seller Bet's girl, an' when we boys throw mud she fights like a wildcat."

"And gives all of you a mighty good drubbing, I hope," commented Impulse. "Now, boys, the two who bring Crawfish Bobby and Raggy Sally to me get a four-bit piece each, and tell them they'll get another for coming. Now, the lot of you come back, for the show isn't half over."

Ten minutes later, Crawfish Bobby and Raggy Sally stood in front of him. Impulse placed a hand upon a shoulder of each.

"These two are going to be little Santas and give you all a right nice



"Mr. Santa Claus, I Believe Sir," She Began.

present by and by," he called to the rapidly increasing crowd of urchins. "Mind, you'll owe it in part to them. Now stampede into the streets and alleys of the neighborhood and corral every boy and girl you can find, and bring 'em here. Just an hour from now this store'll commence to give out presents, and you'll all get one. Nobody will be missed. Hit the street now, the whole lot of you except these two."

In an hour, the door was thrown open and the rush began, with half a thousand whooping youngsters to make the assault. It was short work, the pillaging of the store, and in forty minutes all was over. And then, just as the hilarious present bearers were scattering into every street and alley, an automobile swerved out from the street traffic and stopped at the curb. In it were an old gentleman and a lady and several girls. The gentleman motioned some of the urchins to the side of the car, where they were questioned as to the extraordinary spectacle. Then a few words passed between the occupants of the car, after which one of the girls alighted and came to the store. Crawfish Bobby and Raggy Sally were just outside the door, with their arms full.

"You're the little Santa's," smiled the young lady, as she took their hands, "and I just know you had a big time." Then she entered the store and went straight to Impulse.

"Mr. Santa Claus, I believe, sir?" she began.

"Why—er—no," stammered Impulse, turning red, "only—er—just as a sort of advance agent, named Impulse—I mean Tommy Dodd."

"The girl broke into a ringing laugh. 'Impulse! I like that,' she cried. 'Now, Impulse Dodd, have you any definite arrangement for the Christmas holidays—any binding engagement, I mean?'"

"No-o, nothing except to tramp sidewalks and say 'Howdy' to every stranger who'll let me."

"Good! Then there's nothing in the

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way of our invitation. You see, we're having a houseful of company for the holiday week, and papa and mamma suggested that I ask you. Papa owns a ranch out West, and he says he knows how a stranger must feel in a city at Christmas time, and he thinks a man who can do what you've just done will certainly be an acquisition to our party. And I may add we all feel the same way. You'll come? There is room in our machine."

Impulse nodded. He lacked words fitting to the occasion. A week at a house party! Gee! wouldn't that be stuff to tell the boys at the ranch. Start back the day after Christmas? Who? He? No, sir! That would be rank foolishness. Not till the last gun was fired.

So he walked out to the automobile with the girl, with never a thought of the emptied store behind, or of the beaming, misty-eyed man who could now stock up again without the baleful skeleton of a creditor to glare at him over the goods. And as Dodd entered the automobile, one of the girls afterwards declared that she heard him murmur, "And pulled out a plum," though she could not understand why. It was just one of his funny ways.

Beek Part Pay for Condemned Cows
Galveston, Texas.—A resolution asking the Texas Legislature to follow action in other States to provide partial compensation to owners of dairy cattle condemned and slaughtered by the State Sanitary Commission's regulations against tubercular cattle will be drawn by a committee of dairymen and members of the Galveston County Farm Bureau with the assistance of the county legislators at Austin.

Wooden ship builders are urging continuance of the claims commission to handle claims against the Government growing out of ship building during the war, which commission as an adjunct of the Shipping Board is to be abolished with the close of the year. The representatives also registered protest against enactment of the Madden bill seeking to nullify all claims based upon these transactions unless filed within a brief time after approval of the act.

Frank M. Cole, one of the field supervisors of the Federal Prohibition Enforcement Department, with headquarters at Washington, will take official charge of the Texas headquarters as acting director of the Federal prohibition forces in this State and will continue to serve in that capacity until Commissioner R. A. Haynes has appointed a permanent successor to David H. Morris, who resigned as Texas director several days ago.

EVERY CHRISTMAS IS BIGGER

Day Means More to Greater Number of People—Boundaries Extended Year After Year.

LN uncounted pulpits and on a multitude of printed pages this Christmas day will be made the subject of glowing pictures of the progress of the world toward peace, and peace with honor and justice.

In some features the holiday of giving, the day set apart for rejoicing over the birth of the most potent apostle of peace mankind has ever known, wears a more nobly prophetic aspect this year than it has had in a century or a millennium, and thrilling appeals to the faith and brotherly love of good people can be made without in the least overstepping the bounds of truth. The facts are rich in promise, beyond the realization of many eyes weary of long strife and repeated disillusionment. There will be comparatively little danger of exaggeration in the praise of Christmas this glorified day which finds the world scarce able to grasp the full meaning of great events.

But there is another phase of Christmas which is always well worth noting, and especially so when the pace of human progress is quickened by momentous changes toward peace and good will. This is the constant widening and unending conquests of the best of holidays.

Every Christmas is bigger than the one before it. Always the day means more to a greater number of human beings. Year after year its boundaries are extended. Year by year its sunshine is shed upon more of the earth's inhabitants.

This does not necessarily mean the gains of the Christian religion, for Christmas is wider than Christianity. The day of the coming of Jesus is cherished by many millions who have no connection with Christian churches or the faith they profess. The holiday is dear to all who live in lands where Christians are most numerous. It wins the devotion of little children and holds their affection as they grow older. For multitudes its observance is not in any sense a rite of belief, but a manifestation of rejoicing in the love of fellow-dwellers in a world which at best has too little of the sunshine of kindness and affection.

There is no reason to fear that this growth of Christmas will cease. There is nothing to indicate that it will ever fall to widen the realm of bright hopes and radiant thoughts, shining children's eyes and smiling older faces, when winter days are briefest and darkest, in the more populous half of the earth, and nature leaves most for man to do, in making the world cheerful and life worth while.—Cleveland

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Is Your Child Registered?

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and deaths in our county are registered. That Callahan County should be so negligent in the matter of vital statistics is a reproach to its citizenship, and from this day let every physician and undertaker and parent unite in an effort to remove this blot from the name of our county and great State.

In the event this statute has not been observed, parents are advised to secure the necessary blanks, properly filled out and filed without delay. These blanks will be furnished you on application by County Clerk Grady G. Respass and when properly filled out must be filed with him for record at the State Bureau of Vital Statistics.

This is not a matter to be thought of today and forgotten tomorrow, and may the close of the year 1923 find Callahan County registered 100 per cent on Vital Statistics.

Farming Must Pay

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education, will materially benefit the South. The farmers, as a rule, are not properly organized and not financially able to carry out this plan, but are able to do their part.

I appeal to all business interests to assist the farmers in a campaign for soil improvement, better methods in farming and better prices, and this assistance requires both moral and financial support, and a campaign to apprise the cotton-consuming world that cotton cannot—and will not—be produced hereafter for less than cost and a reasonable profit. I appeal to the newspapers to assist in this campaign.

Bye-Bye Outs Welcome Ins

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the office at the recent session of the District Court, that she will have no difficulty in efficiently perform-

ing them.

Tax Assessor Wm. J. Evans so "broke himself in" to the duties of his office, prior to his induction therein, that he fits into the job like a new glove on a fair lady's hand.

Commissioners' Court meets Monday morning and Commissioner J. H. Carpenter, who succeeds Tod Windham from Precinct No. 2, will be sworn in.

SERVICES AT BAPTIST CHURCH

All services will be at the Tabernacle next Sunday, on account of work being done on the Church.

Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.; preaching at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m.; Senior B. Y. P. U. at 5:45 p. m.; Intermediate and Junior B. Y. P. U. at 4 p. m.

Everybody cordially invited to attend these services.

Chas. A. Loveless, Pastor.

EPWORTH LEAGUE PROGRAM

The following program will be rendered by the Epworth League, Sunday next, January 7:

Subject: Prayer
Leader: Isa Grimes.
Piano prelude: "Sweet Hour of Prayer."
Song.
Scripture Lesson: Geneva Greenrock.
Song: "How Firm a Foundation, Ye Saints of the Lord"
Solo: Mrs. Russell Smith.
Talk: Leader.
Prayer.
Talk: Otha Lidia.
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