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### WAR IN EUROPE.

The concerted attack of the allies against Germany and Austria is raging on all fronts with some success. The outlook is dark for the central empire; but the German army is fighting with its characteristic stubbornness and the end maybe far away yet. Austria is losing to the Russians and Italians on both fronts

R. J. Harris, of Admiral, was in town Saturday.

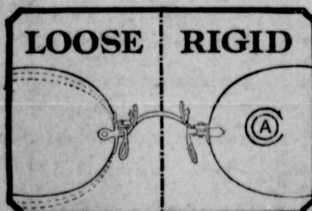
Tom Windham, Jr. of Tecumseh, was in town yesterday.

Miss Manche Gilliland is visiting Mrs. M. C. Berry this week.

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### KILLED BY LIGHTNING

Three of W. H. Estes' children were killed near Tyler, Saturday evening by lightning. Mrs. Estes had gone to visit her sister at Mount Selma 20 miles from Tyler, their home. The children were playing out in the yard and took refuge under a large tree when a thunder storm came up. Lightning struck the tree and killed three of the children outright and shocked another child severely, but at last reports was thought to have a chance for recovery. The three children killed were all girls, aged 7, 3, and a baby six months old. W. H. Estes is a brother of Lee Estes of Baird and was reared here. Lee Estes received a telegram Sunday notifying him of the sad event. THE STAR extends sincere sympathy to Mr. Estes and wife in their bereavement. They only had five children and without a moments warning three were taken from them, and a fourth, their only boy was rendered unconscious for several hours. The three little children were buried in one coffin at Tyler last Sunday evening.

### SAYS THEY ARE WONDERFUL.

Hot weather is doubly dangerous when digestion is bad. Constipation, sick headache, biliousness, or other conditions caused by clogged bowels yield quickly to Foley Cathartic Tablets. Mrs. Elizabeth Slauson, So. Norwalk, Conn., writes. "I can honestly say they are wonderful."  
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H. C. Martin, of Admiral, was in town the first of the week.

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### HENDRICK-CARTER REVIVAL

The meeting is progressing very well. Last night Bro. Hendrick's theme was the "Old Fashioned Home" and he preached a splendid sermon. Before the sermon there was a song by a quartet; Messers Switzer, Carter, Haven and Baum. Then a duett by Mesdames Dunlap and Holmes. These special songs were greatly appreciated. The singing in charge of Mr. Carter, is always good and we wish more of our young people, and old people too, would join the choir. Vocal music is the most sublime music on earth. Nothing appeals more to the heart and conscience of men and women than good singing, especially some of the old time songs.

Rev. Hendrick has an able assistant in Mr. Carter, the singer, Hon. W. B. Fitzhugh, of Fort Worth, recently converted, or rather reclaimed in the cause, is a volunteer worker with the evangelist. He has preached several times and is a fluent, forceful, earnest speaker. Mr. Fitzhugh in recent years served two terms in the legislature from Tarrant county. Dale Haven (not Haden, as we got it last week) is the pianist. Mr. Haven is a young man and a splendid musician. He was converted at a meeting held by Hendrick and Carter in his home town in Illinois some three years ago.

The attendance at the Tabernacle, at same place the meeting was held last year, is good, but not as good as it should be. The church members of the town are working for the meeting, but there is room for improvement. The evangelists cannot have a successful meeting without the hearty cooperation of the church members. Let's get busy.

### Men's Meeting, Sunday

Last night Rev. Hendrick announced a men's meeting at the Tabernacle, Sunday evening at 3:30 o'clock. The evangelist intends to visit Clyde this evening and hold a street service there to advertise the Men's Meeting for Sunday evening.

### Notes.

Rev. Smith, of Stamford, evangelist for the M. E. Church, was a visitor Sunday, also Rev. L. B. Gray and wife, of Abilene and Rev. Williams.

Come out and attend the services if you have not been doing so the past week.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

Sunday, June 2, 1916.  
Methodist Sunday School.  
Number present - 117  
Collection - \$4.25  
Presbyterian Sunday School  
Number present - 123  
Collection - \$4.00  
Church of Christ Sunday School.  
Number present - 75  
Collection - \$2.80  
Number of Chapters read - 625  
Total Attendance - 315  
Total Collection - \$14.50  
No report from Baptist.

In Christian Church, ten have read the old testament through since Christmas, contest on to see how many will read the New Testament through this year.

Ima Lidia, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lidia, has been right sick for the past two weeks with typhoid fever, but is now improving.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hensley and little daughter, are spending a few days in Galveston.

### PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE STATE CONSTITUTION RELATING TO LEVYING TAX FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

H. J. R. No. 30. House Joint Resolution.

Proposing an amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem county tax not to exceed fifty cents on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the county, and authorizing the levy and collection of an ad valorem district tax not to exceed one dollar on the one hundred dollars valuation of property for the maintenance of the public schools of the district.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That Section 3 of Article 7 of the Constitution of the State of Texas be amended to hereafter read as follows:

Section 3. School Taxes.—One-fourth of the revenue derived from the State occupation taxes, and a poll tax of \$1.00 on every male inhabitant of this State between the ages of 21 and 60 years shall be set apart annually for the benefit of the public free schools, and in addition thereto there shall be levied and collected an annual ad valorem State tax of such an amount, not to exceed 20 cents on the \$100.00 valuation, as with the available school fund arising from all other sources will be sufficient to maintain and support the public free schools of this State for a period of not less than six months in each year. The Legislature may authorize the levy and collection of an annual ad valorem county tax within the counties of this State not to exceed 50 cents on the \$100.00 valuation of property situated within the county; provided, a majority of the qualified property taxpaying voters of the county voting at an election to be held for that purpose shall vote such tax, for the purpose of maintaining the public free schools of the county, and the Legislature may also provide for the formation of school districts by general or special law, without the local notice required in other cases of special legislation, and all such school districts, whether created by general or special law, may embrace parts of two or more counties, and the Legislature shall be authorized to pass laws for the assessment and collection of taxes in all said districts and for the management and control of the public school or schools of such district, whether such districts are composed of territory wholly within a county or in

parts of two or more counties. And the Legislature may authorize an additional ad valorem tax to be levied and collected within all school districts heretofore formed, or hereafter formed, for the further maintenance of public free schools, and the erection and equipment of school buildings therein; provided, that a majority of the qualified property tax-paying voters of the district, voting at an election to be held for that purpose, shall vote such tax not to exceed in any one year one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation of the property subject to taxation in such districts, but the limitation upon the amount of school tax here authorized shall not apply to incorporated cities or towns, constituting separate and independent school districts.

Sec. 2. The Governor of this State is hereby instructed to issue the necessary proclamation for the submission of this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Texas at the next general election to be held in November, 1916, at which election all voters favoring this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "For the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of ad valorem school taxes not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district." And those opposed to this amendment shall have written or printed on their ballots the words, "Against the amendment to Section 3, Article 7, of the Constitution of the State of Texas, relating to the levy of ad valorem school taxes, not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100.00 valuation in the county, and not to exceed one dollar on the \$100.00 valuation in the district, for the purpose of maintaining the public schools of the county or of the district."

Sec. 3. The sum of \$5,000.00, or as much thereof as may be necessary therefor, is hereby appropriated to pay the expenses of carrying out the provisions of this resolution.

[Note.—H. J. R. No. 30 was adopted by the House March 6, year 104, says 12. Was adopted by the Senate, with amendments, March 19, year 25, says 2. House concurred in Senate amendments March 19, year 78, says 19, present and not voting 1.]  
Approved April 1, 1915.

(A true copy)

JOHN G. MCKAY,  
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No. 4 and No. 26

# INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

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## LESSON FOR JULY 9

### THE THESSALONIAN CHRISTIANS.

LESSON TEXT—I Thess. 2:17-20; 4:13-18; 5:14-24.

GOLDEN TEXT—If we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also that are fallen asleep in Jesus will God bring with him.—I Thess. 4:14 R. V.

This epistle is probably one of the earliest of Paul's letters (A. D. 50-53?). It links itself closely with the seventeenth chapter of the Book of Acts. Driven from Berea, Paul goes to Athens and later to Corinth, while Timothy returns to Thessalonica and carries a report to Paul at Corinth. Whereupon, perhaps within six months, Paul writes his epistle. A study of the two letters addressed to this church teaches us how Paul advised and instructed his Gentile converts. The first is a particularly cheerful, positive and helpful exhortation.

I. Thanksgiving and Testimony (1: 1-90; 2:17-20). (1) Salutation (1:1) The phrase, "the church of the Thessalonians which is in God" is nowhere else used. Some think it to be unique because Paul had so little to condemn or to criticize. The deity of Jesus Christ and that grace and peace proceed from God is clearly set forth. (2) Thanksgiving (vv. 2 and 3) (a) For works of faith; (b) for their "labor of love," and (c) their "patience" (endurance). That these works were "in the sight of God" is evidence of their genuineness, and such spiritual fruitage awakened (3) Knowledge in Paul's mind (v. 4). They were "elected" to salvation, holiness and likeness to Jesus (vv. 5-9; I Pet 1:2; Eph. 1:4, 5; Rom. 8:29). (4) Testimony (vv. 6-10). Paul could appeal to the known conduct of himself and his friends to substantiate, to prove, the standing of those candidates for holiness who had been "elected." His words had not come to them in mere exhortation and eloquence but "also in power," which governed their conduct. This was not to win applause, but in his own case he labored for their sakes (v. 5) and in their case they had received the word "with joy" in the midst of affliction to the end that they became examples (patterns or types; literally, like the far-echoing notes of a trumpet) (v. 7) to all that dwell in the regions thereabout. Their obedience, consistency and missionary spirit (vv. 8-10) sounded forth everywhere and all that needed to be done was to say, "Behold the church of Thessalonica!" (5) Paul's glory and joy (2:17-20). Paul sets forth his character as a Christian worker (2:1-16). (a) His physical boldness (vv. 1, 2); (b) his faithful, impartial teaching (vv. 3-6), affectionately kind (7, 8), unselfish, working for his own support (v. 9), holy and consistent (13-16). No one "had anything on him," and such a life dares to be bold, though it is not free from persecution (v. 15). (6) Paul's desire (2:17-24). He here sets forth why this letter was written. Separated from them by persecution, he desires to return and supply the things they were yet lacking and to see face to face those whom he loved. Satan prevented (v. 18) doubtless using the bitter persecution stirred up against him. He had therefore sent Timothy from Berea to comfort them (3:15), who had made such a good report (3:1-10) that it urged Paul to greater prayer (vv. 11-13) on their behalf.

II. Ignorance Illumined (4:13-18). Paul rebukes certain sins (4:1-12), exhorting them to godliness and to love one another. He then touches upon a doctrine which was one of his strongest reasons for writing to these Thessalonians. The imminent return of Christ had been strongly emphasized, but in the months of Paul's absence some of their number had died, died without seeing Christ's promised glory. Would those who remained have any advantage over the dead saints whom Christ should come? It is to set their thinking aright that Paul writes. This he does by outlining the great and blessed hope of the church in its "rapture" at Christ's coming. This is more clearly set forth here than anywhere else in the New Testament. Those who mourned over departed loved ones are not to "sorrow as those who had no hope." Jesus the risen, everlasting Savior and king, is certainly coming again in his kingdom of glory, "with a shout, with the voice of the archangel." Their sorrow is not that of the world, for those departed are but "sleeping" and will come back with Jesus when he comes. Together they who sleep and we who are alive shall be caught up "to meet the Lord in the air," all to dwell together forevermore with the Lord.

Paul's description of the events of this second coming this rapture of

the church, has not yet been fulfilled, but he and the disciples were not mistaken as to its nearness, its imminence.

III. The Hope of Church and State (5:14-24). The letter closes with moral exhortations with reference to spiritual leaders, care of one another, the spirit of prayer; and he exhorts them not to "quench the Spirit" by despising prophesying, that preaching and testifying which can be exercised by the weakest, feeblest member of the church if he be Spirit-endued.

## WOODS OPPOSES RECEIVERSHIP WITHOUT A HEARING

NO PROPERTY SHOULD BE FINED UNLESS GUILTY.

Only One Per Cent of Justice Prevailed in Settlement of Suits of Attorney General

The Legislature has given the Attorney General's department great power. It contemplated that wisdom and business judgment would be exercised in the use of this power. Without any personal feeling I submit to the solemn judgment of the people of Texas that this power has been abused. Mr. Looney has undertaken to commit the State of Texas to two very dangerous principles in government, to which I direct the people's attention: First, the right of the State to place property in the hands of a receiver without a trial or the semblance of a trial. Second: The imposition of fines in compromises or settlements without any judicial adjudication of guilt or innocence. In this connection I desire to say, with all the emphasis of which I am capable, that the question of guilt or innocence should be determined first, and determined at all hazards, and then if guilt is established, that proper punishment and penalties shall be inflicted. No man and no corporation, big or little, strong or weak, should be required to pay fines or suffer penalties unless guilty. But, on the other hand, every man and every corporation should be held to accountability. There should be an orderly trial, and the question of guilt or innocence ascertained. If not guilty, there should be no compromise and no fine, but either a dismissal or a judgment of not guilty. But, on the other hand, if guilt is established, then the State's rights should not be frittered or compromised away by indefensible compromises and settlements, but proper punishment and penalties should be inflicted and the State's honor and dignity fully vindicated. Any other course begets a disrespect for law, destroys the people's confidence, and weakens the enforcement of law against malefactors.

Magnolia Oil Suit.  
Mr. Looney filed suit against the Magnolia and Corsicana Petroleum Companies in his home county and charged that they were a part of the Standard Oil Company—an outlawed corporation—that they were violating our anti-trust laws, demanded a forfeiture of their charters, and asked for one hundred and one millions of dollars fines and had them thrown into the hands of a receiver without a trial or hearing. After bringing about the receivership, he then allowed the Standard Oil Company to come in and pay five hundred thousand dollars for the release of the Magnolia and Corsicana Petroleum Companies, and then allowed this fine to pay for all the violations of the Standard Oil Company prior to 1909, and although he wrote into the judgment in that case that the Magnolia and Corsicana Companies were not guilty of violating the law, they are in the hands of a trustee at his instance.

Mr. Looney by his interpretation and administration of the law has, in effect, amended the charter of every business concern in this State to read: "The Attorney General has the right at any time to place your property in the hands of a receiver without trial." And, worse still, he has made it retroactive, which violates another well established principle of government.

The law gives the Attorney General the authority to place corporate property in the hands of a receiver, but it is my conception of the administrative function of government that this extraordinary power should be exercised only where positive evidence of guilt is at hand, and where the property is capable of escaping the jurisdiction of the State.

In the vast number of cases the Attorney General has compromised, the question of guilt or innocence is not mentioned. Mr. Looney apparently considered it an unimportant detail; he substitutes fines for justice. It is my conception of the duties of the Attorney General to see that the guilt or innocence of the accused is determined by due process of law, but Mr. Looney appears much more concerned about imposing fines. The question, therefore, to be determined at the polls is whether

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

NOTICE—All announcements, State, District and County Offices, \$10.00; County Commissioner, \$5.00; Precinct Offices, \$2.50. Cash must be paid in advance in every instance. No deviation from this rule.

We are authorized to announce the following candidates subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held in July:

### District Offices

For District Judge, 42 Judicial Dist.

F. S. Bell,  
of Callahan County  
D. K. Scott  
of Eastland County  
Joe Burkett  
of Eastland County

For District Attorney:

N. N. Rosenquest  
of Breckenridge  
W. J. Cunningham  
of Abilene

For Representative 108 District, Callahan and Eastland Counties:

R. G. Powell  
of Callahan Co.

D. J. Neill  
of Eastland County

For Representative 110 District, Callahan and Brown Counties:

J. F. Cartwright  
of Brown Co.  
H. P. Taylor  
of Brown County

### County Offices

For County Judge:

J. R. (Bob) Black  
of Baird  
M. C. Council  
of Clyde  
W. R. Ely  
re-election

For County Clerk:

Chas. Nordyke,  
re-election.

For Tax Collector:

Gene Melton  
re-election

For District Clerk:

Q. J. Johnson  
of Cottonwood  
A. R. (Lonnie) Day  
re-election

For Tax Assessor:

M. G. (Melvin) Farmer  
re-election

For Superintendent Public Schools:

S. Ernest Settle  
re-election

For Sheriff:

J. A. Moore  
re-election

For County Attorney:

R. L. (Koscoe) Surles  
J. Rupert Jackson

For County Treasurer:

W. P. Ramsey  
re-election.

Commissioner Precinct No. 1.:

G. H. Brame  
A. E. Kendrick

For Commissioner Precinct No. 2.:

H. Windham

For Justice of the Peace, Pre. No. 4.

H. Windham

or the Attorney General's department shall administer justice or administer fines. It is my understanding that justice is to be administered—not bartered—and if I am elected to the office of Attorney General no guilty parties will escape from justice.

The Brewery suit which Mr. Looney puts forward as one of his great achievements was settled without an acknowledgment of guilt on the part of the Brewers, and he let them off with a fine of about one per cent of the penalties required by law. If they were guilty the Brewers got 99 per cent the best of the compromise, and if innocent they got 100 per cent the worst of it; and in neither instance did more than one per cent of justice obtain. If the allegations sworn to by Mr. Looney were correct, then his Brewery suits were as absurd as all of his other compromises.

It is not the power of government wisely administered, but Mr. Looney's abuse of those powers that men fear.  
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With Corsicana as headquarters, the Cleveland Trinidad Paving company of Cleveland, Ohio, capital stock \$600,000, was granted a permit to do business in Texas.

A San Antonio jury found C. J. Kiernan guilty of the charge of killing his son and assessed a penalty in the penitentiary of ninety-nine years. Defense was insanity.

H. M. Hughes, a prominent farmer and stockman of near Beaumont, died from anthrax or charbon, contracted from cattle he had been treating. He leaves a widow and children.

Southern Ice and Utilities company of Dallas, capital stock \$650,000, has been chartered. The company is to do business in Texas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Colorado and Missouri.

"Doc" Lively of near Irving, Dallas county, received three shots from a shotgun charge, none serious. No arrest. One struck a hand, another his neck and the third his body.

Homer Bruce, a University of Texas graduate and winner of the Rhodes scholarship, has returned to Denton, his home, after completing a three year course at Oxford university.

Cloudercroft Baptist assembly, fostered by New Mexico and Texas, held a successful annual session at Cloudercroft. Each year these gatherings are held in a spruce pine forest 10,000 feet above sea level.

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In a speech at the New York Press club banquet President Wilson made it plain that he would not countenance a war with Mexico until there was no other alternative for settling troubles on the border.

He declared he was ready to sacrifice his own political fortunes in order to carry out his own convictions as to what would be the just course to pursue in the situation.

Those present, composed of newspaper men, state and municipal leaders and others prominent in public life, signified their endorsement of his position by frequent outbursts of applause. When he asked if the glory of America would be enhanced by a war of conquest in Mexico, shouts of "No!" came from all parts of the banquet hall. A similar response was made to his query, whether it is America's duty to "carry self-defense to the point of dictation into the affairs of another people."

The president dwelt also upon his efforts to serve the whole people, thousands of whom, he said, are appealing to maintain peace so long as possible.

"I have constantly to remind myself," he said, "that I am not the servant of those who wish to enhance the value of their Mexican investments, but that I am the servant of the rank and file of the people of the United States."

Bainbridge Colby, who placed Theodore Roosevelt in nomination for the presidency at the Progressive convention in Chicago, paid President Wilson high tribute in an address, but did not declare unqualifiedly that he would support him in the coming campaign.

"I am a Progressive," he said. "I was one of the party's organizers. I shall stick by the ship until it is recognized by passengers, crew and officers alike that it must be abandoned. I cannot leave until the water is up to my chin. I will say this, however, speaking for the rank and file, that the friends of Woodrow Wilson in the party are legion. The stalking horse of the national committee may vote down the resolution to leave the votes of Progressives to their own conscience, but I think the actions of the Progressives are to be determined and dictated by their individual judgment and nothing else."

President Wilson shook hands with Mr. Colby when the latter finished speaking and thanked him for his generosity.

## BAD FAITH IS CHARGED.

MEXICANS MAKE ACCUSATIONS AS TO SCOTT AND FUNSTON.

The Mexican foreign office replied to Secretary Lansing's recent note, in which the correctness of assertions from Washington were repeatedly denied. It is declared the United States has no right to maintain armed forces on Mexican soil. It is denied that the Mexican government has protected bandits committing depredations in United States and calls on Washington to produce proof.

The memorandum contains thirty-one counts. Although not in the form of a direct reply to the Washington note, it is considered equivalent to an answer to that document.

Generals Scott and Funston are accused of bad faith and lack of honor in misleading General Obregon in an alleged evasive reply regarding the crossing of American troops into Mexico after the Glenn Springs raid.

Surprise is expressed that the Washington government was pained at the tone and contents of the Carranza document, since, it is asserted, that the United States has sent the constitutional government many discourteous and even overbearing notes.

Charles Watson, general manager of the Cushuihuirachi company is also blamed for the Santa Ysabel massacres, owing to his alleged impulsive and irascible disposition.

It is asserted the United States arrested Huerta, not to aid the constitutional government, but because it was feared he was plotting with Germany.

Note concludes by declaring presence of American troops in Mexico in-

vites rather than prevents bandits along the border.

## Ten Years in Second Case.

Mrs. Ida Hadley, the self-confessed slayer of Sheriff Jake Giles of Beaumont on ground of insanity at Muskogee, was tried next day on charge of attempting to break jail and leading an assault against the county jailer, was convicted and given ten years in the penitentiary.

## LONE STAR NEWS IN FEW WORDS

HAPPENINGS OF MAJOR AND MINOR IMPORTANCE NOTED.

PARAGRAPHS HERE PRESENTED

That Relate to Matters of Present and Likewise the Future Placed in Type and Embracing Various Portions of the Commonwealth.

Gilmer will have mail carriers.

Wood county Elberta peach crop is large.

Nation's birthday was observed all over Texas.

Farm hands are in demand in some sections of the state.

During June land sales and lease-footed up \$115,370.96

Sherman is to have \$150,000 worth of public improvements.

James Corley, a boy, drowned in the Neches river near Beaumont.

A wind and electric storm did much damage at Coleman and vicinity.

Contract has been let at Ennis for erection of an \$80,000 high school.

M. Grossman, a Dallas resident for thirty-five years, died at New York.

Ike Irons, a negro drayman, fifty years old, died at Temple from heat.

Dr. R. E. Vinson has assumed the presidency of the University of Texas.

State board of education purchased \$193,600 of Dallas county school bonds.

Commercial secretaries meet in annual convention at Houston July 17 to 24.

A box car loaded with skating rink fixtures burned at Wylie, in Collin county.

William Pearn of Snyder, sixteen years old, was accidentally killed at Paducah.

Dallas Sparlin, aged seventy-one, a Collin county pioneer, passed away in McKinney.

During June 271 marriage licenses were issued by the county clerk of Dallas county.

Eight business houses at Elkhart, Anderson county, including postoffice and Masonic hall, burned, entailing a \$20,000 loss.

Cotton in the Truscott section of Knox county was badly damaged by wind, rain and hail.

Walker chile factory in Austin was fire destroyed; loss nearly \$30,000, with partial insurance.

An automobile ran into a street car at Dallas, injuring the eight auto occupants, one seriously.

Head of Louis E. May of Roby, a deaf and dumb man, was cut off by a switch engine in Dallas.

It is expected that when the state supreme court reconvenes in October 800 cases will be on the docket.

Three and one-half inches of rain fell in San Patricio county, and ending an eight-month drought.

An unknown negro, charged with bootlegging, leaped from a moving train at Big Sandy and was killed.

Rev. Hulen Coffman of Josephine has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Second Baptist church, Bonham.

Brownsville has been made a quartermaster depot for the army and the government has leased a large building.

First crate of Elberta peaches expressed this season from Winnsboro sold for \$15. Several carloads are being shipped daily.

Storm at Breckenridge, in Stephens county, broke plate glass store windows and window lights and also blew down trees and water tanks.

Dallas-Fort Worth branch of the International Stewards' association was organized at Dallas. E. M. Poncelot of that city is president.

While bathing in the Colorado river at Marble Falls Misses Sarah Pearson and Frances Stuart, each about sixteen years old, were drowned.

Misses Dell, eighteen; Lizzie, sixteen, and Eula, fourteen, daughters of Tom Brewer, drowned in the Colorado river three miles from Bastrop.

C. C. Evans, a pioneer grocer of Sherman, dropped a pistol. Weapon was discharged and the bullet entered his abdomen, causing his death.

Miss Frances Hexamer of Dallas at the bar examinations in Texarkana made a general average of 92 per cent, thereby being eligible to practice law.

Convention of the North Texas Medical association, held at Greenville, was well attended and both pleasant and profitable. An entertainment feature was a swim in the municipal natatorium.

S. C. Caruthers, a farmer and stockman of the Plum section of Hill county, was shot three times in the stomach with a pistol. Archie Yancy was arrested.

First heavy rain since September fell in Aransas county a few days ago. It was too late for a large percentage of vegetables, but aided pastures and filled cisterns.

George White, who lost both legs, was convicted at Waxahachie on a charge of pursuing the occupation of a liquor dealer and given two years in the penitentiary. He would not accept a suspended sentence.

Population of Paris has increased in some districts to such an extent that letter carriers are unable to make but one round a day instead of two. Postmaster Hubbard is endeavoring to have force added to.

The railroad commission has received a protest from Kingsville citizens against the proposed removal of the general offices of the St. Louis, Brownsville and Mexico railroad to Houston from Kingsville.

Charles J. Bartlett of Marlin, member of the board of managers of the state home for feeble-minded, was in Austin to close the deal for 100 acres bordering that city on the northwest, where the colony is to be located.

Wholesale grocery firm of the James E. Dick company sustained a \$50,000 fire loss. Plant of the Lone Star Motor company and the Benton hotel burned, loss \$25,000. El Paso was the scene. Both are thought incendiary.

Forster Edwards of Texarkana lost his life between Vivan and Shreveport when his automobile went down an embankment and turned over three times. He was thirty-two years old and leaves a widow and two children.

As a result of a satisfactory experimental planting of 300 acres in sweet clover in 1915 an increased acreage has been planted this year in Tom Green county. Sweet clover is a semi-arid crop that seems to thrive in west Texas.

In a decomposed state the corpse of Julia Robertson, an Austin negress, with the skull crushed, was found in a vacant house at Calvert. She was last seen alive with James Hutcheson, a negro, recently mysteriously murdered.

Proposed increase in the rates, carloads, on calves, from Texas points to interstate destinations, has been suspended by order of the interstate commerce commission until Oct. 29, on application of the Texas Cattle Raisers' association.

Captain J. H. Collett, who came to Texas from Caldwell county, N. C., in 1849, died at Austin in his ninety-second year. He was a Confederate and twice wounded and three times a prisoner, twice making daring escapes. A widow, four daughters and three sons survive.

Mrs. B. C. Clark of Marlin and Mrs. M. A. Coupland and Joe Coupland of Dallas are taking a 12,000-mile automobile trip that will extend to San Francisco. A cross-continent trip will be made to New York, then back to Marlin via New Orleans. Six months will be the duration of tour.

Tyler, Lindale and Mineola committees met with Smith county officials at Lindale to discuss the building of an inter-county pike from Tyler to Mineola via Lindale. It is proposed to complete the road from Lindale to the county line to connect Mineola with the Smith county road system and the proposed Dixie highway.

Action of the central Texas district meeting of the Farmers' Union at Houston recommending the establishment of a Farmers' Union bank in Austin with a capital stock of \$500,000 for the primary use of Texas farmers is heartily endorsed by Manager F. C. Weinert of the state warehouse and marketing department.

At Mount Selman, twenty miles south of Tyler, three girls of W. H. Estes and wife of latter city, aged respectively seven years, three years and six months, while standing under a tree during a storm were killed by lightning. They were buried in one coffin. A fourth Estes child was shocked and was unconscious for twelve hours.

# The Baird Star.

FRIDAY, JULY 7, 1916.

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## SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

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Says Luke McLuke, "If you cannot do what you like, like what you do."

Gov. Ferguson says what he thinks and his thinker goes at a rapid rate some times.

It looks like Colquitt and Brooks for the run off in the second senatorial primary.

Spillsbury, the Mormon scout captured with part of the 10th Cavalry, is spilling over too much.

The Bible says, "Pride goeth before a fall." Then old Carranza is due for the jolt of his life.

Acts not words is what the people of this country want now in Mexico. Either get out or go in and settle the business for all time.

About all Carranza has to stand on is his dignity; he won't have that long after Uncle Sam's boys begin to pour over the Rio Grande.

There was a note of discord in Tom Love's swan song, but most of the Democrats of Texas are satisfied that Tommy was "eliminated."

The pros are always harping about the desperate liquor machine in Texas politics, but this is done to line up the pros. If there is any liquor machine in this part of Texas do not we know it and we have about as much opportunity as any one in this section to find it out.

The Dallas News wants the Agricultural Department of Texas abolished. We came near losing faith in this department some years ago when the Commissioner was appointed by the governor. A lawyer got the job; just about as appropriate as appointing a farmer to the office of district judge.

What items would those who criticize Gov. Ferguson's administration for high taxes eliminate to reduce the tax? The schools, asylums, Confederate pension, Confederate Home and penitentiary are responsible for most of the extra expense. How much of these items would be reduced or eliminated to bring down the tax rate?

Morris says if he does not reduce taxation he will resign as governor. Gov. Ferguson asks him what item in the appropriation bills he would have vetoed. The million dollars for the rural schools, the four hundred thousand dollars appropriated to construct a fire proof building for Blind Institution, or the Confederate pension. Let Mr. Morris answer.

Mr. Morris, candidate for governor, is opposed the extravagant use of the people's money and mentions the fact that while in New York, Gov. Ferguson put up at a seven dollar a day hotel, Ferguson acknowledged the charge and said the Governor of Texas was entitled to the best. We suppose if Morris is elected he will get a fifty cent room and eat at Chinese restaurants when he travels abroad on the States' business.

Tom Love's supporters get a little comfort out of the fact that Gov.

Ferguson failed to get his anti-woman suffrage plank in the St. Louis platform. It is better to be right and lose than to be wrong and win. A majority of the Democrats of Texas agree with Gov. Ferguson on the woman's suffrage question and will prove it by reelecting him governor.

Had the American army remained at Vera Cruz perhaps conditions in Mexico would have been different, certainly the withdrawal of the American army did not help matters in Mexico or on the Mexican border. Now many people in this country want the American army withdrawn. The withdrawal from Vera Cruz gave the Mexicans an idea that this country was afraid to intervene in Mexico; to withdraw Gen Pershing's army now will prove it to them at least, that they are right, and the Columbus and Big Bend raid, will be repeated on a larger scale.

Former Gov. Campbell, candidate for the senate, in his speeches has much to say about the low tax rate and the good condition of the state educational and charitable institutions under his administration. To make the low tax rate Gov. Campbell's administration used one million dollars of the Waters-Pierce Oil Co's. fine and left one and a half million dollars deficiency for the Colquitt administration to meet, so repeatedly charged. As for the educational and charitable institutions, especially the latter, there was more criticism against Campbell than any other governor. He was so bent upon making a record as the lowest tax-rate governor that he was repeatedly charged with skimping the state institutions and everything else except the salaries of the office holders, we believe. Insane patients were kept in jails because there was no room for them in the asylums, so the charges went.

No one is deceived by Campbell's claims as to his low-tax rate. Any governor can do this if he has the good luck to have the attorney general collect a million or two dollars, the greater portion to be used in place of taxing the people. Every dollar of that oil money, one million eight hundred thousand dollars should have been placed in the permanent school fund because it belonged to all the people. Gov. Campbell had absolutely nothing to do with collecting that fine, but he got the credit by using one million dollars of it in the general fund.

Before Morris came out for governor, Judge Blanton, candidate for congress, told his friends that he was in favor of Gov. Ferguson for a second term because he had kept every promise he made and that he deserved a second term. Some pros we learn, will not vote for Judge Blanton because he said this. Why should any pro vote against Judge Blanton and for Judge Smith on the pro issue? It is understood that Judge Smith is a pro, but what did he ever do for them?

One may not always agree with Judge Blanton, but he is not afraid to say how he stands on any issue; but can this be said of Judge Smith? Judge Smith, early after Wilson's election, gave out an interview in which he came out strong for Wilson, so much so, that he did not think a Harmon or a Clark Democrat had any right to ask any favors of the Wilson administration. Wonder if he yet entertains the views expressed three years ago that he noticed that the requests for primary elections for a candidate for postmaster always came from localities where the anti-Wilson sentiment before the convention was strongest, meaning of course, that that none but original Wilson men need expect anything from Judge Smith. We refer to the interview given out in Washington in Feb.,

1913 in reply to a letter we wrote him asking if he would consent to a primary election by the Democrats to select a candidate for postmaster at Baird.

Judge Smith, like most congressman, judging from his actions in this and other matters similar throughout the district, considers the appointment of postmaster as his personal assets to be given only to his personal friends. In that interview he made it plain that no Harmon man, at Baird, at least, need apply. Judge Blanton promises to let the Democrats of each locality select their own postmasters. That would be an innovation in this district, certainly.

Gov. Campbell is still harping on his low tax rate, but does not tell the voters how he managed it. Well here is the way he is charged with doing it. Using one million dollars of the Waters-Pierce oil fine, creating a deficiency of one and a half million for his successor to tussle with the best he could. Then too, Campbell was responsible for all the extra taxes levied against corporations intangible asset taxes and so on. This tax finally has to be paid by the people because the corporations shift the burdens to the tax-payers. Like the tariff, this corporation tax scheme slips up on the blind side of the tax-payer, but as the amount is not written in a tax receipt the tax-payer does not see it. These are the methods by which Campbell as governor got his record as the lowest tax rate governor of Texas. Then too, Campbell, during his term of office and since, has been charged neglecting both the educational and charitable institutions of the state, but whether he deserves all the criticism he got, or did not get all he deserved, we do not know, but we do know that he had no moral right to use the Waters-Pierce money to boost his low-tax record. That money, every dollar of it, nearly two million dollars should have been given to the permanent school fund. Did Gov. Campbell propose this? Not that any one ever heard of. He used it to pay expenses of his administration and now boasts of his low tax rate. What went with the other eight hundred thousand dollars we don't know. We do not mean to convey the idea that either Tom Campbell or the legislature illegally squandered it, but they should have set it aside as part of the permanent school fund in place of making a low tax record not deserved either by Campbell or the legislature.

Carranza wants to arbitrate with Uncle Sam. There is nothing to arbitrate. Mexico is in a state of anarchy. Carranza is a bombastic old figurehead and cannot comply with any promises made to protect the American border. He can neither protect his own people or prevent raids across the American border so what is the use of dilly-dallying about it any longer. Nothing but intervention by this or some other powerful government will ever restore order in Mexico. It is a disagreeable question but we can never settle it by bluffing. We tried that at Vera Cruz and left Mexico in worse condition than before. Withdraw Gen. Pershing's army and even worse results will follow. That is the belief of many who really hope to avoid performing a disagreeable duty. Carranza is becoming conciliatory; it must be galling to his Aztec pride, but an Aztec respects force and that alone. The troop trains rushing to the Mexican border convinced the First Chief that he was about to overplay the game. Withdraw the troops and a hundred to one shot Carranza will be himself again and the Mexican question will be in a worse muddle than ever.

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## CHALLENGE TO CONGRESSMAN SMITH

Congressman Smith is criticizing me for campaigning. For five months he has literally deluged this district by mailing from Washington under his frank communication after communication to the 60,000 voters of this District, all at the expense of the government. Since June 7, he has been away from Washington, personally campaigning the District, notwithstanding that never before in the history of our Nation has more momentous questions been before Congress for solution. War may be declared at any moment. As the people are interested in hearing joint discussions, I hereby challenge Congressman Smith to meet me in joint debate in Baird, on any

day during the coming three weeks he may designate, and I will break all engagements, and come from any distance to meet him, with 24 hours notice. Unless he agrees to meet me, will you West Texans, with red blood in your veins support a man who is afraid to meet his opponent before the people he represents in honorable joint debate?

Sincerely yours,  
Thomas L. Blanton.

## HER LEFT SIDE HURT.

Mrs. Laura Beall Plattsburg, Miss. writes: "Last April I got in bad health; my left side hurt all the time. I had symptoms of Bright's disease. I took Foley Kidney Pills and feel all right now." They quickly relieve backache, rheumatism, aches and pains. Bladder troubles, too, are corrected by this remedy.—Holmes Drug Co.



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Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Youngblood, Sunday, June 25, 1916, a boy.

Frank and Gus Hall have recently returned from a trip to Galveston, Corpus Christi and other points.

Mrs. Andrew Jackson and daughter, Flossie have returned from a months visit with relatives in Stonewall county.

Archie Price has returned from a weeks visit with Tom Windham and family, of Oplin.

Mrs. George Ingle and mother, of Abilene, are visiting Frank Youngblood and family this week.

Miss Maud Alderson, of Eastland, who has been attending a business college at Abilene, spent Tuesday with Miss Evalyne Johnson.

Miss Lois Waddill, of Anson, is visiting friends in Baird this week.

Mrs. F. L. Driskill is visiting her sister, Mrs. Elmer Walker at Fort Worth.

Mrs. W. J. Gardner and children, of Moran, are visiting her sister, Mrs. T. J. Lidia and family.

Mrs. Brooks Chambers and baby, Modena, are visiting her father, J. T. Woolen at Merkel.

Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Coats, of Cottonwood, were Baird visitors, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Haley who have been living at Big Springs for sometime, have returned to Baird.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reynolds who have been making their home in Baird for the past month or so, left Wednesday for Big Springs.

E. Boland's house in west part of town caught fire this morning. The fire was quickly extinguished by the Fire Company. We did not learn the extent of the damage.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Kindel and children, of Weatherford, spent several days in Baird last week with Mrs. Kindel's sister, Mrs. H. C. McGowen and family.

John Mullican left several days ago for Anson to spend a few days with Alfred Waddill. John made the trip on his bicycle and Alfred will join him on a trip to Plainview.

Two train loads of Pennsylvania troops passed through Baird this morning for the border. The first train load, about 300 strong, were permitted to march up the street to the Court House thence east several blocks. They broke rank on return and most of them made a break for the grocery stores for edibles and cigarettes.

LOST.—Open face, silver watch with fob, somewhere in town. 31-1t Herman Vestal.

Cane Seed—For sale by John Hancock, Baird, Texas. 14tf

Mrs. Ed Noland and Miss Lois Webster, of Whitesboro, are visiting Mrs. C. Eugene Walker.

Miss Glendora Dunlap is spending this week at the ranch home of Miss Mae Ivey, north of Baird.

Miss Helen Walker, returned last Friday from a visit to Whitesboro and Fort Worth.

Tom Windham, accompanied by his son and daughter, John and Miss Winnie Windham, of Oplin, were in town Monday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Dawkins, of 117 Galveston Avenue, Fort Worth, Texas, Friday, June 23, 1916, a girl.

J. B. Cutbirth and family have returned from Burnt Branch where they have been spending several days at the ranch.

FOR SALE.—One single buggy, one sanitary couch, one kitchen cabinet and one sewing machine. See Mrs. Geo. Scott, Phone 187.

Marvin Hancock returned the first of the week from DeLeon, where he was called last week by the serious illness of his brother.

Mr. Parker from the Confederate Home, at Austin, spent several days in Baird this week with his cousin, Mrs. W. L. Henry.

Misses Maggie and Annie Merle Scott, are visiting in San Angelo this week, the guests of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Scott.

Tom McClure, formerly of Baird, now at Pecos, is visiting friends in town. Tom has not changed any and the western climate seems to agree with him.

I want to trade for or buy a good saddle. Phone 11, C. E. Holmes 28

**BIG PICNIC AT CROSS PLAINS**

July 11 and 12, Tuesday and Wednesday

See the aeroplane flights: Stanford Steel, of Dallas, who is to make aeroplane flights at the State Fair this fall, is under appearance bond to be here on these two days, and make a flight on Tuesday afternoon and a flight in the forenoon and one in the afternoon of Wednesday. Be here and see him pull off all the "stunts" of his craft.

Public Speaking: Walter Harris, representing Dr. S. P. Brooks for the Senate, will speak on the night of the 11. Luther Nedals will speak for B. F. Looney on 12th. H. B. Terrell, J. W. Woods, Daniel Garrett, Chas. Morris, Geo. W. Riddle, have all promised either to be here or be represented. District and county candidates will be here in great numbers.

Joint Debates: Jno. E. Davis and T. A. Hickey, Democrat and Socialist candidates for the Senate, have agreed to hold a joint debate.

Everybody come. Everybody welcome. Tuesday and Wednesday, July 11 and 12th.

FOR SALE.—Horse, buggy and harness. Phone 38. 31.t

I want your plain sewing to do. Rooms for light housekeeping for rent. Phone, 341. 31-1t Mrs. Laura Smith.

Miss Lena Newberry, of Weatherford, is the guest of Mrs. J. E. Greenrock.

Mrs. J. F. Greenrock and children have returned from a visit to relatives at Mingus.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Mayfield have returned from Rising Star where they visited relatives.



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# Federal Inquiry or Railroad Strike?

Faced by demands from the conductors, engineers, firemen and brakemen that would impose on the country an additional burden in transportation costs of \$100,000,000 a year, the railroads propose that this wage problem be settled by reference to an impartial Federal tribunal.

With these employes, whose efficient service is acknowledged, the railroads have no differences that could not be considered fairly and decided justly by such a public body.

## Railroads Urge Public Inquiry and Arbitration

The formal proposal of the railroads to the employes for the settlement of the controversy is as follows:

"Our conferences have demonstrated that we cannot harmonize our differences of opinion and that eventually the matters in controversy must be passed upon by other and disinterested agencies. Therefore, we propose that your proposals and the proposition of the railroads be disposed of by one or the other of the following methods:

1. Preferably by submission to the Interstate Commerce Commission, the only tribunal which, by reason of its accumulated information bearing on railway conditions and its control of the revenue of the railroads, is in a position to consider and protect the rights and equities of all the interests affected, and to provide additional revenue necessary to meet the added cost of operation in case your proposals are found by the Commission to be just and reasonable; or, in the event the Interstate Commerce Commission cannot, under existing laws, act in the premises, that we jointly request Congress to take such action as may be necessary to enable the Commission to consider and promptly dispose of the questions involved; or
2. By arbitration in accordance with the provisions of the Federal law" (The Newlands Act).

## Leaders Refuse Offer and Take Strike Vote

Leaders of the train service brotherhoods, at the joint conference held in New York, June 1-15, refused the offer of the railroads to submit the issue to arbitration or Federal review, and the employes are now voting on the question whether authority shall be given these leaders to declare a nation-wide strike.

The Interstate Commerce Commission is proposed by the railroads as the public body to which this issue ought to be referred for these reasons:

No other body with such an intimate knowledge of railroad conditions has such an unquestioned position in the public confidence.

The rates the railroads may charge the public for transportation are now largely fixed by this Government board.

Out of every dollar received by the railroads from the public nearly one-half is paid directly to the employes as wages; and the money to pay increased wages can come from no other source than the rates paid by the public.

The Interstate Commerce Commission, with its control over rates, is in a position to make a complete investigation and render such decision as would protect the interests of the railroad employes, the owners of the railroads, and the public.

## A Question For the Public to Decide

The railroads feel that they have no right to grant a wage preferment of \$100,000,000 a year to these employes, now highly paid and constituting only one-fifth of all the employes, without a clear mandate from a public tribunal that shall determine the merits of the case after a review of all the facts.

The single issue before the country is whether this controversy is to be settled by an impartial Government inquiry or by industrial warfare.

### National Conference Committee of the Railways

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## SOME WORDS ABOUT EMETINE

Medical Journal Says Care Must Be Exercised in Using Poison for Treating Pyorrhea.

The great increase in the use of emetine hydrochloride in the treatment of pyorrhea and in amoebic dysentery makes timely a warning by the Journal of the American Medical Association to the effect that the preparations of this drug now on the market vary widely in their strength, and that at least one reputable manufacturer is "supplying a product so unusually toxic as to prohibit its use, at any rate in anything approaching the ordinary dose."

This warning is based upon two cases at Johns Hopkins medical clinic in which symptoms of poisoning and in one instance death resulted from the administration of emetine hydrochloride in the usual way. As a result of these, Drs. R. L. Levy and L. G. Rowntree analyzed specimens of the drug and found the variations noted.

This is all the more important in view of the many quacks who are advertising "cures" for pyorrhea, most of which consist of emetine.

comfort and flexibility. It was then that the inventor achieved a dramatic effect, for he whipped out an automatic pistol and blazed away straight at my friends chest. Fortunately the armor proved successful. Before he had recovered enough breath even to protest, a war official grasped him warmly by the hand.

"Sir," he said, "you are a brave man!"

My friend disappeared with becoming modesty.

### Used Rib to Patch Her Skull.

Miss Elenora Appel, eighteen years old, of Granite City, was reported to be recovering at St. Luke's hospital from an unusual cranial operation. Miss Appel underwent an operation three years ago in which part of her skull was removed. The flesh that grew over the opening began to press upon the brain and she suffered great mental strain.

Two weeks ago the girl was taken to the hospital. Parts of two of her ribs were removed and cut to fit the fissure in the skull. They began to knit, and the operation is declared wholly successful.—St. Louis Post Dispatch.

### Russia's Vast Timberland.

A recent official estimate in the timberlands of Russia shows that the total amount of standing timber is almost equal to that of the United States and Canada combined, about 1,005,124,000 acres, not inclusive of unsurveyed lands. A comparatively small proportion of this timberland has been exploited. Among the many new railroads which are now building several are designed for the exploitation of the timber country. The department of canals and waterways is also actively engaged in furthering this industry.

### Testing a Bullet-Proof Coat.

A personal friend of mine, writes a correspondent of the Manchester Guardian, had an amazing experience with bullet-proof armor. When he was in Paris at the beginning of the war, a fluent French inventor persuaded him to give him an opportunity to demonstrate in England a thin chain-armor shirt, which he said would resist any bullet or bayonet. A sample shirt had been hung up and fired at with satisfactory results, but it was with some skepticism that my friend attended the official demonstration.

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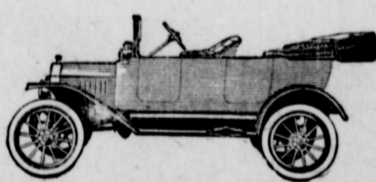
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## TAKE POLITICS OUT OF JUSTICE, PLEA OF FARMERS' UNION HEAD

Use of Powers of Office to Advance Personal Ambitions Is Crime Against People, Says H. N. Pope.

Fort Worth, Texas—Taking politics out of justice has been advanced as a cure for injustice by H. N. Pope, president of the Texas Farmers' Union, in a contribution to the Texas Economic League's discussion of the administration of justice, received by that organization. Pope's article says in part:

"The discussion of the administration of justice now going in the press deeply concerns the farmers of this state, for it is they who are the final sufferers from injustice, and I would like to see more of them join in this discussion.

"The farmer of Texas must diligently study government. It is as necessary to his prosperity that he be a capable citizen, as that he be a capable plowman. His welfare depends as much upon sound legislation and capable public officials as it does upon making two pumpkins grow where one grew before. His happiness is as much dependent upon his receiving a fair division of the profits of his labor as it is upon the fertility of the soil. His success is as much dependent upon honest, intelligent and patriotic citizenship as it is upon the diversification of farm products. To secure the blessings of society which

are rightly their own, the farmers must organize, think together and vote together. They must be able to separate the theorist from the doer; the braggart from the achiever, and the capable from the incapable, in both men and measures affecting the public weal, and the penalty for failure to do so is poverty, oppression and ruin.

### Take Politics Out of Justice

"There have been many able suggestions advanced as a remedy for the injustice which we now endure, and as a farmer I want to give my views on this subject. I would suggest taking politics out of justice as a cure for injustice. When an official of state, whether he be in the legislative, administrative or judiciary department of government, takes an oath of office, he should then and there quit playing politics with the powers of his office.

"The man who takes an oath of office enters into a divine covenant with the people. He has no more right to use his authority in paying political debts than he has to sell the office furniture and pay his grocery bill. He has no more right to use the seal of the great state in advancing his political ambitions than he has to sell state bonds and appropriate the proceeds to his financial credit. An official who violates his oath of office ought to be prosecuted for perjury, and an official who undertakes to pry open the backdoor of fame with a lawsuit, ought to be arrested for burglary.

"The farmers of this state have just cause to complain of the inefficiency of government. The number and the per cent of tenant farmers never were greater, which is a true barometer to agricultural conditions. There never was a time in the history of this state when prosperity was so low as it is now. It is on its knees when we see

fortune reached him so easily as at present.

### Prosperity Waylaid.

"Likewise, the business interests have their troubles. Any political law suit filed against industry ought to be styled 'the Politicians vs. the People,' and the verdict ought to be that the politicians are guilty of slaughtering industry, and they should be sentenced to quit playing politics or resign their office.

"The farmers get too much salvation and not enough co-operation from government; too much politics and not enough business. If the administrative branch of government could give us prosperity by filing political lawsuits, then the tenant farmers would all be rich. If the legislative branch of government could cure the evils of society by increasing the volume of laws, we would have a perfect civilization. If the judiciary branch of government could give us justice by making political speeches from the bench, then we would have no more injustice within our realm.

"The farmer cannot expect in government to reap something he does not sow, any more than he can plant thistles in the soil and harvest grain. It is no more possible to make a statesman out of a politician than it is to make a silk purse out of a sow's ear. The farmers of Texas must face the situation squarely. We are the predominating class, and we cannot escape the responsibilities of government. Upon our shoulders rest largely the destiny of Texas, and upon our ballot the policy of government depends."

### OPLIN PICNIC JULY 8th

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### THE ROBERTSON LAW

The voters of Texas will have the opportunity of deciding for themselves whether or not the Robertson law shall remain on the statutes. If the repeal of this law would bring cheap money to Texas, it might be well to change or repeal it; but it will not reduce the interest rate one iota. Texas companies and outside companies who have been complying with the provisions of the Robertson law can take care of all the Texas insurance business.—Brenham Banner-Press.

The people will have a chance to register their vote on the Robertson law, and it is safe to say that the majority for the law will be over-

whelming. It has brought about the investment of millions of dollars in Texas which before its passage had been invested elsewhere after being collected in Texas. It will take some tall talking to make the voters see anything wrong about the Robertson law.—Abilene Reporter.

Here is a proposition the voters are called upon to decide that not one voter in a hundred, outside of the insurance agents and stockholders in Texas companies, know anything about it and care a great deal less. The chances are that many of the voters who do not understand the proposition will not vote either way, while many others who do not understand it will vote against it; while the beneficiaries of

the law will be active in opposing any change. For these reasons the Reporter is perhaps justified in its predictions. As we understand it the proposition is not to repeal the law, but to so amend the law that the life insurance companies, some of the largest and most substantial in the United States who withdrew from the state when the Robertson Law was passed, can reestablish their business in Texas.

Under the Robertson Law they cannot return to Texas unless they pay taxes for all the years they have done no business in Texas. This the foreign companies refuse to do so and no doubt will never return until the Robertson law is amended in this respect.

Very naturally the home companies and others who continued in business in Texas object to any concessions to the old line companies who withdrew.

As a rule we believe always in building up home institutions but people who pay for life insurance have some rights as well as the public. Perhaps not one voter in fifty who will vote on this issue in the primary has any insurance.

A person should be permitted to take out life insurance in any company he desires regardless of any state law to the contrary, but under the Robertson law he cannot take out insurance, say, in the New York Life Insurance Company, considered one of the strongest in the world, without going out of Texas. The whole business seems to us to be a scheme gotten up to force the people of Texas to patronize home companies regardless of whether the home companies are as substantial financially as the outlawed companies.

Another thing too that looks suspicious is that many of the men active in passing the Robertson law have become officers and stockholders in home companies. Very naturally these people will oppose any modification that gives them a monopoly of the insurance business and they are the ones most active in opposing any change in the law.

It is likely true that a change in the Robertson law would not make interest lower, yet it might, but have the Texas companies lowered the interest? Not that any one ever heard of.

It is a fight by the "ins" to keep the "outs" out is all there is to it, except if the old companies stay out people who take out insurance will have to patronize certain companies that they would not patronize with

the larger and well known foreign companies competing for business in Texas.

The only objection we have to the Robertson law is that it requires the companies to pay taxes in Texas for all the years they have done no business in the state.

Suppose a Cross Plains merchant should come to Baird take out a license to do business and the city of Baird should pass some law obnoxious to the Cross Plains merchant and he should withdraw from the town. Then after, say five years he wished to return to Baird the tax collector of Baird would say: Very well, but you owe five years taxes since you left the town. The Cross Plains merchant naturally would kick, saying: I withdrew from your town five years ago and I owe you town nothing. But the collector

blantly informs him that the law requires him to pay this tax as a penalty for leaving a good town.

Is there a voter in Callahan county or in Texas that will say that it is morally right for Baird to demand this tax. This is the Robertson law in substance.

H. Windham of Tecumseh, was in town the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Estes, Mrs. Beulah Baugh and little son, Frank, spent Tuesday in Abilene.

Miss Olive Curry, daughter of T. A. Curry who lives north of Baird, was taken suddenly ill with appendicitis last Sunday and we learn that the doctors operated at once. At last report she was slowly improving

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