



## School Registrations Continue to Mount as Total Climbs to 760

### NEW BUILDING PROGRESSING

The enrollment in the Gatesville Public Schools continues to mount all other preceding years, according to a census taken last Monday.

Twenty-one additional students registered in the local High School Monday morning with fifteen matriculating in the Elementary School, and two more post-graduate enrollees. These figures now bring the total enrollment to 760 in the two divisions. At the same time last year there were 627 meeting classes.

### New Building

Work on the new auditorium gymnasium is rapidly nearing the final stages and it is hoped that by the middle of October the Home Economics department will be ready to move into new quarters in the new building. The furniture for the department is being supplied and work on the Little Theater in outfitting the stage is progressing.

## Uniform Work Goes on In Local AAA Office; Farmer Looking Up

### MANY DOLLARS FOR CORYELL

The majority of the tax-exemption certificates have been signed for and received, according to word from the county agent's office. All those who have received cards and have not responded are urged to come to the local office and get their certificates.

### Sheep and Goats

The deadline on making application for the sale of Sheep and Goats to the government was passed at noon last Monday, September 10. The applications have been sent to College Station for quotas and have not been returned to date.

Sheep listed for sale total 10,850 in Coryell county. The total on goats in this county is 4,511.

Owners may shear now if they so desire and if it is customary for them to shear at this time of the year. It is advisable for them not to do so if not customary, however.

### Cattle

Buying of cattle has temporarily been stopped by instructions from College Station. To date 7,855 head have been purchased, of which 4,448 have been condemned. Buying has taken place on 727 Coryell farms. There are approximately 3,500 more head to be appraised.

A detailed statement on the AAA programs written by County Agent D. W. Sherrill will appear in the issue of next Tuesday, this newspaper. Watch for it!

— Typewriter paper. News Office.

## Hornets Face Schedule Of Tough Assignments In Games this Season

### FORTY-TWO CANDIDATES OUT

A very difficult schedule faces the Hornet gridsters this season in the nine games to be played. Four games have already been scheduled at home with four on the road. The ninth game has not been decided to date.

Asked what department was giving him the most concern and worry, Coach Ewing replied, "The whole thing."

Daily practice gets underway at 3:20 and last until dark, with the forty-two candidates being put through the customary fundamentals of blocking, passing and signal running.

"The squad is showing marked improvement since training began," stated the Gatesville mentor, "with the line material showing the better prospects."

Coach Ewing will fill his guard positions with medium sized men who have the speed. The weight will be put into the tackle posts and rangy men on the ends.

With few veterans qualified for the backfield, Ewing is confronted with a problem of molding the new material into shape for ball-carriers.

The following candidates are regular participants in the practice periods each day:

James Scott, Neal Hinesley, James Hair, Herman Sims, Albert Dickie, Nathan McDonald, Dave Culberson, Hazen Ward, Donald Weaver, Joe Powell, John Culp, Harold Goolsby, C. Bauman, Ralph McDowell, Chas. Hinesley, Tom Bone, Harold Chamlee, Earsel Anderson, Harold Whitley, R. D. Myers, Douglas White, Gail Sasse, Perry Hale, G. C. Martin, Herbert Turner, Wendell Lowrey, Royce Davis, Neal Chapman, Edwin Bradford, Eldon Morgan, Reb Brown, Clyde Perry, Zack Fore, Tom Robinson, Sydney Gregory, J. C. Byrom, Pat Hollingsworth, Jack Hestilow, Burl Davis, J. R. Colgin, Francis Rutherford.

## Host of Friends Pay Last Tribute to One Of Coryell's Leaders

### WALTER WATSON PASSES ON

Walter Watson, age 63, died at his home in Jonesboro last Monday after an illness of several months.

Mr. Watson was born in Mississippi in 1871 but came to Texas about 40 years ago. Most of his forty years of Texas residence has been in Coryell county.

Funeral services were held at the Jonesboro Baptist Church at 4:30 o'clock on Tuesday afternoon. Rev. B. F. White, Rev. V. F. Lemons and Rev. Canady officiated in the last rites. The Masonic order was in charge of interment. The vast concourse

## L. M. Stinnett Is Named Demo Committeeman to Represent District 21

### RECEIVES CAUCUS FAVORS

Bell county delegates to the state democratic convention apparently settled their difficulties much in the same manner as the state leaders did in bringing John Garner into the fore.

Carrying a voting strength of 20 votes, the Bell county delegation lacked but a few votes of having a majority in the district, but early caucus sessions brought to light that L. M. Stinnett of Gatesville would be elected state democratic committeeman from this district.

It had been expected that a squabble might arise over the choice of the committeeman should F. L. Denison of Temple, strong follower of Ferguson policies, remain in the race for the committeeman's position to be opposed by either DeWitt Bowmer, county Allred foreman, or Wade Taylor, one of Allred's original supporters here.

Bell county delegates cast their vote for submission of the repeal amendment and voiced their opposition to horse racing and gave their support of the Centennial program for 1936.

Counties in this senatorial district, the 21st, are Bell, Erath, Bosque, Coryell and Hamilton.—Temple Telegram.

Coryell delegates were: L. M. Stinnett, Irvin McCreary, C. H. McGilvray, Earl Nesbitt, Dr. T. M. Hall, and Ed McMordie. They did not vote as a unit in the convention.

Another good test of blood pressure is to sit behind a movie patron who leans to the right or left every time you do.—Council Bluffs Nonpareil.

## COTTON GINNING IS SHORT OF 1933 CROP

Census report shows that there were 3,362 bales of cotton ginned in Coryell county from the crop of 1934 prior to September 1, as compared with 4,912 bales ginned to September 1, 1933, according to special agent W. R. Goodson.

of friends and the multiplicity of floral offerings attested the esteem in which the deceased was held. Burial was in the Jonesboro Cemetery.

The deceased is survived by his widow; two sons, W. J. and Marvin both of Jonesboro; two daughters, Mrs. Hughey McClesky of Stephenville and Mrs. Bill Sellers of Jonesboro; three brothers, Ed and Tom of Jonesboro and Ben of Robstown; three half-brothers, Sam of Pancake, Rube and Hugh of Rule one half-sister, Mrs. DeWaych of Jonesboro; his step-mother, Mrs. Sallie Watson and a number of other relatives who are joined by a vast multitude of friends in their sorrow at his passing on into another realm.

## County-Wide Subscription Drive To Get Underway Tomorrow With Familiar Half-Price Attraction

### L'Theater Committee Busy Selecting Plays For Season's Opening

### MEMBERSHIP DRIVE GOES ON

The committee is now at work reading plays in the interest of the Little Theater. They will select a one-act play to be given at the formal opening of the new auditorium and also a full length comedy-farce with which the Little Theater will introduce its season, at a later date.

Plans are to introduce members to the technical end of play production which will include lights, sound, make-up, properties, and costuming.

Besides the six more plays that will be presented publicly this season the Little Theater will give at least three workshop plays for inexperienced talent and study of the drama.

The membership drive has progressed rather slowly thus far. It is urged that those actively interested subscribe as early as possible. Those who are inactively interested should be reminded that for the \$2.00 membership and season ticket they will get full returns for their money. Hazen Ament is in charge of the membership drive, which will close October 1.

The purpose of the drive is to raise money to equip the auditorium stage.

## 'round the square

By  
The Snooper

Back and at it again I find a couple of uniformed gentlemen walking my way whom I thought were soldiers, but later to be Sam Spence and Carl McClelland, in gasoline suits. Lonnie Wharton evidently thinks he can drive fast enough to freeze that cream by tying the freezer on the bumper of his auto, but personally I doubt it. It was really a pleasing sight when I saw B. Jones driving two fine horses hitched to a buggy 'round the square. Dessie Lee Hair stepped lively Thursday morning with the air of a real business woman, an unusually pleasant business woman however. Those two ex-sheriffs talking to each other were J. M. Lanham, of Fort Worth and Ed McMordie, of this city.

—Hammermill Bond typewriter paper can be had at News office.

Popular demand on the part of prospective subscribers to the Coryell County News, together with the desire on the part of this newspaper to spread its circulation to include every nook and corner of the county, the News will open its Fifty-cents Subscription Sale Saturday, September 15.

For a period of four weeks, September 15 to October 13 inclusive, the News will conduct another of its popular half-price circulation drives. During this time the regular subscription price will be reduced from one dollar to fifty-cents to subscribers within the bounds of Coryell County. Out of the county subscriptions will be taken at \$1.00. This offer is open to both new and renewal subscribers and both present and future subscribers may sign up for as much as two years at this reduced rate.

### Last Chance

The current drive, which will last four weeks, will be the only opportunity of its kind to be offered in the way of a subscription reduction for at least twelve months. In other words, after October 13, the Coryell County News will not make any sort of concession of a similar nature until the same time next year. It is not definite however that a campaign will be staged at that time. Hence, the residents of this county should remember that the opportunity will not present itself again for a long time to come.

### Cash Basis

The current sale will be handled strictly on a cash basis, pay-in-advance manner, which is in keeping with government postal regulations. New subscribers to the News during the sale will have their names entered on the mailing list in time to get the benefit of the immediate issue following.

### Twice-a-Week

The Coryell County News is published semi-weekly, each Tuesday and Friday. Under the sale price the paper will cost the subscriber less than 1¢ per issue, or less than 1¢ per week—within the reach of every resident's pocketbook in this county.

## EXCLUSIVE SHOE LINE PLACED WITH HANNA'S

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## Pledge



*I will think—talk—write . . . Texas Centennial in 1936! This is to be my celebration. In its achievement I may give free play to my patriotic love for Texas' heroic past; my confidence in its glories that are to be. . . . .*



Gatesville, Texas, Sept. 7, 1934.

Whereas, The Managers Association of Gatesville Softball League is desirous of expressing to Ayres Compton, editor of the Coryell County News, its appreciation for the whole-hearted cooperation which his paper gave to the League in the way of publicity and news items.

Be It Therefore Resolved, that a copy of this resolution be signed by all the Managers of the League, and that it be presented to Editor Compton to let him know in a small way that his efforts were appreciated; that the Managers feel that he has contributed in no small measure to the interest that has been manifest in softball this year; and that they, each, personally appreciate the interest his paper took in a new sporting enterprise.

Signed: A. W. Gartman, Seth Anderson, Truman Blanton, Doyle Baldrige, Bob Arnold Jr., R. H. Miller, and Otis Ray, D. D. S.

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We are greatly moved upon receipt from the managers of the local softball league of the above sentiment. It makes us feel that the little effort spent by us has been accepted with approval and that whatever this newspaper and its publisher and staff has contributed to the promotion of softball has not passed unobserved. The fact that the above resolution comes from the managers of the local clubs, signed by them, is indeed gratifying. We consider it very complimentary. We are convinced that whatever worthwhile publicity has been given to the interest of softball as a recreational sport has been given for an enterprise of no small consequence and merit. From the beginning we felt that the idea of softball locally was a good one and the least we could do was to devote space in the columns of the News toward emphasizing the good features of the pastime entertainment. We are thoroughly convinced that softball has meant a great deal to the city of Gatesville and surrounding territory in promoting a spirit of inexpensive entertainment for spectators. We trust it will be made a permanent enterprise.

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Merchants report unusual trading in Gatesville last Saturday, compared to buying during the past few weeks. It looks like the mid-season lull is just about over and in that case conditions generally will be much improved from now until the first of the year. Gatesville has the reputation of being one of the best trade centers of any place of a similar size in Texas, due largely to the buying power of Coryell County residents. Nevertheless, this county-seat town is in line for its share of lulls and dormant periods in trading. It is a natural tendency for a large percentage of small-town business people to envy the commerce of cities, but on the other hand the city merchant often times would gladly trade for the steady, dependable business of the country merchant.

## FIFTH SUNDAY MEETING

The Coryell Valley Baptist Church will hold a Fifth Sunday meeting Saturday and Sunday, September 29th and 30th.

### Program

Saturday Night—Devotional led by Bro. Dewey Hubble.  
Sermon—Rev. W. P. Boyd, subject: "Signs of the Last Times."

## Sunday Morning:—

10 o'clock—Sunday School.  
11 o'clock—Sermon by Rev. G. A. Jackson; subject: "The First Resurrection and the Millennial Reign."  
12:30—Dinner on the grounds.  
2 o'clock—Devotional, led by Robert Myers.  
2:15 o'clock—Sermon by Rev. A. Fetchner, subject: "The Last Battle and the Great White Throne-Judgment."

## Sunday night—

Devotional—T. J. Alford.  
Sermon—Rev. G. L. Derrick, subject: "Separation, and Where Will We Spend Eternity"  
Rev. Will Jackson, Pastor.

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## Community News Letters

### ATER NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ludwick, our new teachers, have recently moved into our community. We extend to them a cordial welcome.

Frank Farquhar and family visited his sister, Mrs. Robert Whisenhunt, Sunday.

Callers in the Otis Pruitt's home Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Rile Loffland and family, also his sister, Lessie, Mrs. Richards and Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Moreland.

C. A. McLarty of Dallas visited his sister, Mrs. Birdie Coward, Sunday.

Misses Wanda Coward and Imogene Whisenhunt and Woodson Watts are attending school at Gatesville.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Coward and family visited the Robert Whisenhunts Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Vera Whisenhunt and family visited Mrs. Laura Whisenhunt and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Watt Smith visited her mother, Mrs. Tom Buckner Sunday.

Little Miss Merle Roebuck visited her grandmother, Mrs. Sallie B. Murrell, last week.

Boss Anderson and family visited his mother, Mrs. Jim Anderson, Sunday, also his sister, Mrs. Odie Cole.

Misses Hazel McDonald and

Mae West spent Saturday night with Miss Wanda Coward.

C. A. McLarty Jr. returned to his home at Dallas after spending several days with Beryl Coward.

Edward Sharp and family of Gatesville visited in the Jim Herring home Sunday.

### JONESBORO NEWS

Rev. C. Canady filled his regular appointment here Sunday morning and night.

Those on our sick list at present are Grandmother Watson, Little Richard Drake, Mrs. B. F. White and Mr. Louis Sellers. James Rutherford spent Sunday with Hayden Watson.

A large crowd of young folks enjoyed a party Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Wallace.

Mrs. Jim Roberts and daughters of Breckenridge were visitors last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McBride.

Fledra Bell Wallace spent Sunday with Winnie Morgan.

Mesdames D. M. Farquhar, W. T. McBride, Jack Williams, P. H. Drake, members of Jonesboro Rebecca Lodge, visited Hamilton Lodge Friday night.

Guests of Irene Rutherford Sunday were Laura Lawrence and Mollie Bell Brasher.

### OSAGE ITEMS

Misses Ada Pauline Bail returned to her home in Fort Worth after visiting Misses Millie Jack and Bobbie Jayroe and other relatives.

Mrs. Tinnie Merriett is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lee Chappell.

Bob Martin is suffering from a broken foot which he received while helping to load cotton at the gin last Thursday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. John England of San Antonio are visiting in the Gatlin home at present.

Conrad Tubbs of San Angelo visited his father, Robert Tubbs, a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Peck Kirby and children of Gatesville visited Mr. and Mrs. Dee Swift Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hill Martin spent Saturday and Sunday with W. E. Gatlin and wife.

Miss Millie Jack Jayroe spent Sunday with Mrs. W. D. Craddock.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Griffith and daughter, Louise, and Miss Lillian Clearman of Oglesby visited in the B. M. Graffith home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Harper and children of Gatsville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Waller.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnson and family of Coryell City visited Lee Chappell and wife Sunday.

Miss Juarea Tubbs returned home Sunday from Oklahoma after spending several weeks visiting there.

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Westfield visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Curt Edwards, Sunday.

### BUSTER NEWS

Church services were well attended here over the week end. Bro. Rhoades of Levita, held services. During the Sunday night service Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Snoddy, Esteen and Dellteen sang two special songs which were enjoyed very much.

Mr. Charlie and Miss Voncille Martin of Mosheim are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Williams, Jr. and son, Bob, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Williams spent last week end with Mrs. Willie Alice Boynton.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Chaney and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Sheppard and son, Ira.

At this time, we are happy to report the condition of Mrs.

Ollie Nichols seemingly better. Mrs. Nichols submitted to a major operation last week at the Providence Hospital in Waco. Mrs. Geraldine Miller, her daughter, is at her bedside.

Friends of Mrs. Graves Morgan and Miss Ruby Henderson, were surprised that they were married Saturday night. Bro. John Rhoades of Levita reading the rituals at the home of the groom. Only members of each family were present for the ceremony. They will reside here.

The club will meet with Mrs. W. H. Huskerson on Tuesday the 18th. All members are urged to be present, bring some one with you and let's make this a good meeting.

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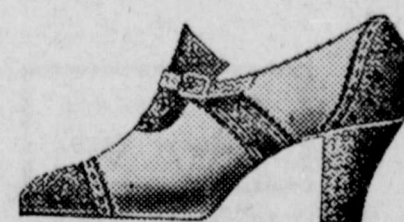
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69**Eighty-Third Birthday Celebrated.**

The children and other relatives met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Robuck last Sunday and enjoyed a happy day in honor of the eighty-third birthday of Mr. Robuck.

A twelve o'clock dinner of delicious eats was served, and the afternoon was enjoyed in social chatting.

Among the immediate family present for the occasion were two sons, John Robuck and Charlie Robuck of Jonesboro, and daughter, Mrs. S. S. Bonds of Oakton. Those unable to come were Mrs. Ada Lightsey of Pidcoke, Mrs. Annie Johnson of Ennis and Mr. T. Robuck of Paris. Grandchildren present were Mr. and Mrs. Elry Hargis, Paul and Elbert Hargis, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Riley, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Wilkerson.

**Party and Shower Given Miss Mary Jane Colgin.**

As a farewell courtesy to Miss Mary Jane Colgin, who is departing soon for college, Mrs. Joe Whigham and Miss Dorothy Culberson entertained with a party and shower at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Culberson, last Tuesday evening. Mary Jane departs the

first of next week to enter the University of Texas as a freshman.

Bridge was the diversion with high score falling to Miss Frankie Marie Wilson. Following the games, a large decorated basket of lovely lingerie was presented the honored guest, Miss Colgin. She also received a number of gifts from several of her friends who did not attend the affair.

The refreshment plates, which consisted of sandwiches, olives, mints and iced tea, were passed to the following: Misses Marjorie Woolard, Frankie Wilson, Alice Earl Anderson, Ruth Raby Franks, Louise Morgan, Lindsay Belle Dickie, Hazel Hughett, Lorraine Alexander, Wanda Patterson, Rosalie Boyd, Joyce Baker, Dollie Farmer, Dessie Lee Hair, Mary Lou Morris, Elizabeth Williams, Margaret Gilder, Lillian Hale, and Mrs. Charles Powell.

**Program and Tea at Church Enjoyed by Many.**

The following program was rendered at the Methodist Church Tuesday afternoon:

Song—Lead on Oh King Eternal; Scripture—1 Cor. 13. Mrs. M. M. Chunn; Prayer—Rev. M. M. Chun; Violin Solo—Jaqueline West, accompanied by Miss Orpa Mayo; Announcement—Mrs. W. C. Guggolz; Reading, Mrs. C. H. Wallace; Bass Solo, Scott Gunn; Discussion on Study Course; Imaginary Trip to Japan—Mrs. F. E. Gotchett.

Immediately after the program was rendered, the group of people present entered enthusiastically into the fellowship of a social hour. Mr. Cotchett gave them an interesting and clever routing on the imaginary trip, taking them directly into the home of a present day Japanese, at which time tea was served.

The Japanese are noted for their beautiful tea gardens. The basement of the church had been arranged to represent one of these gardens, being arranged

and decorated in Japanese effects. These effects consisted of vases, scarfs, dolls, pillow, miniature furniture, fans of many types, rugs, straw plaques, brass dinner gong and a number of other articles that came directly from Japan. Along with these were numerous pot plants and cut flowers. The room was lighted by a dozen or more Japanese lanterns suspended from the ceiling.

The refreshments were sandwiches, cookies, candy and iced tea. All those who served were dressed in Japanese costumes, which added much beauty to the occasion.

During the afternoon a goodly number enrolled for the course of study which is on Japan. The book to be used is "Suzuki Looks at Japan." The Superintendent of Study was well pleased with the interest manifested in the occasion and wishes to express her gratitude to each and every one who helped in any way to make the proceedings at this time inspiring and uplifting.

**Carlton-Ligon**

The marriage of Miss Mary Lou Carlton of this city to Mr. Lennox Ligon, formerly of Llano, was solemnized last Thursday morning at nine o'clock in Waco. The ceremony was performed by Dr. Arthur Stout, christian pastor in that city and formerly of Gatesville.

Mrs. Frank Brock of Corsicana and Mrs. Carl Price of Waco, sister and aunt of the bride, were witnesses at the wedding.

The bride was lovely attired in a frock of green crepe trimmed in brown fur with matching accessories of brown. For something old she wore a gold brooch on a gold chain that belonged to her mother.

Mrs. Ligon is the daughter of Mr. Tom Carlton of this city. She graduated from Gatesville High School and attended the Southwestern University at Georgetown. After completing a business course at the Metropolitan Business College in Dallas, she was employed as Bookkeeper for the G. M. Carlton & Bros. Company, and is now assistant to D. W. Sherrill, County Agent of Coryell county.

The groom is the son of Mr. W. H. Ligon of Llano. He is a graduate of the Llano High School and has received his degree from A & M College. He is at present an appraiser for the Federal Land Bank of Houston.

Immediately after the wedding the couple left on a motor trip including stops at San Antonio and other nearby places of interest. Upon returning here they will make their home temporarily with her father on East Main Street.

**Crow-Morgan**

Miss Irene Crow and Mr. Peyton Morgan, both of this city, were united in marriage Thursday morning of the 6th, at Pendleton, Texas. Rev. Raymond Morgan, pastor of the Church of Christ of that city, and who is an uncle of the bridegroom, read the marriage vows.

The Bride, who is the only

daughter of Mrs. Owen Crow of this place, was unusually attractive in a rust colored tunic suit with brown accessories. The Groom, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Morgan, was dressed in a tailored suit of gray.

After a short wedding trip to Houston and Galveston, Mr. and Mrs. Morgan returned to their home here where he is engaged in business with his father at the Coco Cola Bottling Company. Mr. and Mrs. Morgan are now residing at Crow Apartments on East Main Street.

on her place here.

Both the bride and groom were popular attendants of the Public Schools here, and have won many friends who wish them much happiness and success.

Miss Lois Boone of Hico has been the recent guest of Miss Elaine Cross.

Mrs. J. H. Hamilton and daughters, Faye and Harvey Gene, visited in Waco Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elize Timmons and daughter, Alice Marie, were here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wilson, last Wednesday.

Miss Hada Smith has returned to her home here following a visit with her parents at Turnersville.

Mrs. John Smith from Hamilton is visiting her sister, Miss

Hada Smith and other relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Blanton, Mrs. C. A. Burchett, Mrs. J. L. Lackey and Ted Harris spent Tuesday in Waco.

Mrs. Joe Whigham of Leon Junction was here this week as a guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Culberson and family.

Tom McClellan of Waco spent several days this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Mears.

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## PERSONAL

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Graves were Waco visitors Thursday afternoon.

Mesdames Irvin McCreary and Roger Miller spent last Monday in Waco.

Mrs. J. B. Millard and son, J. W. were visiting friends in Waco recently.

Mrs. T. M. Hall and daughter, Louise, were Waco visitors Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Schley of Austin are in Gatesville this week attending to business and visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Thomson are spending today with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Thomson, at Temple.

Mrs. Jeff Bates and daughters, Mrs. Kirby Perryman and Mrs. Rufus McKinney, spent the day Thursday visiting in Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellie Hayes, Miss Estelle Cooper and Dawson Cooper spent last week end visiting relatives in Llano.

Mesdames D. D. McCoy, Tom Carlton and Bob Saunders were in Waco visiting the first of the week.

Billy Thomson left Wednesday for Temple where he is spending the week end with his grandparents and other relatives.

Miss Sarah and Robert Wyatt returned to their home in Waco last Sunday after enjoying a visit in the home of Dr. J. H. Hamilton and family.

Messrs Charley Liljeblad and Bill Byrom left Wednesday for the Davis Mountains on a short outing. Rumors are that the gentlemen are attempting to spot two good bucks for the forthcoming season.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Harding and son, Billy, from Phoenix, Arizona are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bob Derrick of this city and other relatives in Coryell county.

Miss Virginia Belle Curry of Dallas underwent an operation in a Dallas hospital last Friday morning. Her many friends here will be happy to learn she is rapidly recovering.

Miss Jimmie Doris Edwards and Miss Merle Scott are leaving Sunday for Denton where they will attend C. I. A. Miss Edwards will begin her freshman work, while Miss Scott will re-enter as a sophomore.

Mrs. Leake Ayres and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Anderson and son, Leake Ayres, were in Waco Wednesday afternoon visiting Mrs. Ayres Compton and baby daughter, Mary Deen, in the Providence Sanitarium. Mrs. Compton is improving nicely and is expected home soon.

## Gains Praise From Dancing Instructor

Miss Raye Virginia Rayford, teacher of the "Raye Rayford School of Dancing" resumed her course of study Wednesday with Miss Pinto of the "Olivette Pinto School of Dancing" in Waco. Miss Pinto has just returned from Chicago and New York where she studied during the summer; and has brought to Miss Rayford much valuable instruction in her profession. In interviewing Miss Pinto she remarked, "I am so happy to have Raye Virginia as one of my pupils for her natural ability coupled with her love for the work make a most ambitious and apt student of which any teacher is justly proud."

Miss Pinto also commended Miss Rayford for having registered all her last year students which number twenty-five, in addition to quite a few new students.

The studio has moved to a new location this year in the second story of the Jack Horn building and has been remodeled with a nice reception room, dressing room, and the spacious room equipped for dancing instruction.

Miss Rayford will teach Ballet, Toe, Tap and Ballroom dancing; and is most enthusiastic over her new work which she declares is more beautiful in rhythm and fascinating in composition than ever before.

Miss Beulah Gamblin, who was with Miss Rayford last year is again her accompanist.

## SHOP AT HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. I. Johnson and Mr. J. A. Fletcher attended the funeral of Mr. Walter Watson at Jonesboro last Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. A. White, who has been making her home with her daughter, Mrs. Willis J. McAnelly in Houston, has returned to Gatesville and is moving into her house on East Bridge Street.

## GEORGE R. HODGES THANKS VOTERS

I wish to thank my many friends who saw fit to support me in the run-off on August 25.

May I assure those who voted against me that I don't hold the least ill feeling toward anyone.

If at any time I can be of service to my friends I will be glad to do so.

Again, thanking you one and all.

As ever,  
George R. Hodges.  
(Political Adv.)

## MIMI VIRGINIA McLEAN

Funeral services were held at the First Presbyterian Church here at 10 o'clock a. m. Wednesday for Mimi Virginia, infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Jas. McLean.

The child died suddenly from an attack of intestinal influenza.

Services were held in the beautifully decorated auditorium of the church with Dr. C. T. Caldwell of Waco officiating, with Rev. M. M. Chunn and Rev. C. A. Morton assisting.

Remains were conveyed to

Fort Worth for interment. Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Ward, Mrs. D. I. Glass, Mrs. J. A. Hallman and Mrs. L. M. Stinnett accompanied the bereaved family to that city.

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# ROBBERS' ROOST

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## THE STORY

CHAPTER VIII.—After camp has been made, Jim seeks out Smoky Slocum, and secures his promise to aid in case Helen is threatened with harm by the villainous Hays. Jim hears a wild cry in the night. Before he dies, Latimer, who was wounded in the fight with Heese-man, tells Jim and Smoky that Hays has held out some of the money he stole from Herrick.

CHAPTER IX.—In the "roost" the robbers make permanent camp. Jim keeps a watchful eye on Helen. She steals from her tent at night to tell him that she fears the outlaw, Hank Hays. While they whisper, Hank steals upon them. Jim makes him believe that he has spurned a bribe from the girl to rescue her. Heese-man's riders are seen approaching and the desperadoes prepare to fight.

"You got hit, I see."  
"Flesh wound. Nothin' to fuss over this minnit. An' I've got a



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crease on my head. That hurts like sixty. Half an inch lower an'—"  
"I'd have been left lord of Robbers' Roost?"

"You shore would, Jim. Lousy with money, an' a gurl to look after. But it jest didn't happen that way."

"No; it didn't. But it will!"  
That cool statement pierced the robber's lethargic mind. "What kind of a crack was that?" he demanded, puzzled.

"Hays, you forget."  
"You're sore that I didn't divvy square?"

"Hays, I take it you double-crossed me same as you did them."

"Uh-huh. Wal, you got me in a corner, I reckon. That's only two of us left. I'd be crazy to quarrel. . . . Would a third of my money square me?"

"No."  
"It wouldn't. Wal, you air aimin' at a bargain. Say half then?"

"No."  
A tremor ran over the robber's frame. That was a release of swift passion—hot blood that leaped again. But he controlled himself.

"Air you tryin' to pick a fight with me?"  
At this Jim laughed.

"Cause if you air, I jest won't fight. I'd be senseless. You an' me can git along. I like you. We'll throw together, hide somewhere a while, then build up another outfit."

"It can't be done."  
"I'll give you two-thirds of the money."

"Hays, I wouldn't take another

dollar from you—that you gave willingly."

Jim had turned his left side slightly toward Hays, concealing his right hand, which had slipped to his gun butt, with his thumb on the hammer! For Jim, Hays was as good as dead.

"It'll all be mine, presently," he replied.

"Holdin' me up, huh?" rasped Hays. "Learned to be a shore-enough robber, trallin' with me, huh?"

"Hays, I promised Smoky I'd kill you—which he meant to do if he had lived to come back."

The robber's face grew a dirty white under his thin beard. At last he understood, so much, at least. What volumes his stupidity spoke for his absorption! It changed. Jim's posture, his unseen hand, suddenly loomed with tremendous meaning.

"Shore. That doesn't surprise me," admitted the robber. "When men's feelin's are raw, as in a time like this, they clash. But I did my share to clear the air. An' if Smoky had come back he'd have seen it different. I could have talked him out of it. . . . Jim, you're shore smart enough to see that, an' you oughter be honest enough to admit it."

"I daresay you could have won Smoky back. He had a fool worship for you. . . . But you can't talk me out of anything."

"Why, fer Gawd's sake—when I'm givin' you all the best of the deal?"  
"Because I want the girl," thundered Jim.

A great astonishment held Hays stricken. Through it realization filtered.

"That! That was it—all the time!" he gasped.

"All the time, Hank Hays," replied Jim, steadily, and it was the robber's eyes, pale fires no longer, that he watched for thought and will.

Still he saw the violent muscular quivering which slowly diminished to freeze into rigidity. He had struck the right chord. In whatever way possible, Hank Hays loved this woman. However it had begun, the sordid, brutal thing had ended in Hays' worship of the golden-haired sister of Herrick. Jim read this in the extraordinary betraying eyes; and read more—that it had been Helen the robber had fought for, not his lost caste with his men, not the honor of thieves. It was this that accounted for the infernal blaze of unquenchable hate, of courage that death itself could scarcely have stilled.

All this immediately coalesced into the conscious resolve to act and kill!

As the robber sprang up Jim's first shot took him somewhere in the breast. It whirled him half around. His gun, spouting flame, tore up the gravel at Jim's feet. A terrible wound with its agony, a consciousness of its mortality, added to the overwhelming ferocity of jealous hate, gave the man superhuman physical activity. He whirled, bounding the other way, and so swiftly that Jim's second shot missed him altogether. Hays' gun was booming, but it was also describing the same curves and jerks as his body. Then as passion gave place to desperate need and the gun aligned itself with Jim, Jim's third shot destroyed aim, force and consciousness.

Hays' demoniac face set woodenly. The gun, with hammer up, dropped to explode. And the robber lodged against the slant of wall, dead, with the awfulness of his mortal passion stamped upon his features.

It was over. Jim breathed. The hand which held his gun was so wet that he thought his blood was flowing. But it was sweat.

"I wish—Smoky could—know," muttered Jim, over a convulsive jaw. He shoved Hays off the wall.

Wiping his face, Jim staggered to the rock and sat down. Spent and heaving he sat there, his will operating on a whirling mind. It was over—the thing that had had to come. All dead! Loyal and faithless robbers alike. What to do now? The girl! Escape from that hell-

hole, soon to be besieged again! He must pack that very hour and ride—ride away with her.

"Jim—oh, Jim!" came a cry from the back of the cave.

"Helen—it's all—over," he called, hoarsely.

She appeared in the opening. "Gone?" she whispered.

"Yes, gone—and dead."

"I—saw—you . . . is he—dead?"

"You bet your life," burst out Jim, his breast oppressed.

"Oh, help me out!"

He ran to assist her. She came sliding out, to fall on her knees, clasping Jim with fierce arms. Her head fell against him.

"Get up," he ordered, sharply, trying to lift her. But she was more than a dead weight.

"God bless you; Oh, God bless you!" she cried.

"Don't say that!" he exclaimed, aghast.

"Jim, you've saved me," she whispered. Jim's hands plucked at her arms, caught them.

(To be Continued Friday.)

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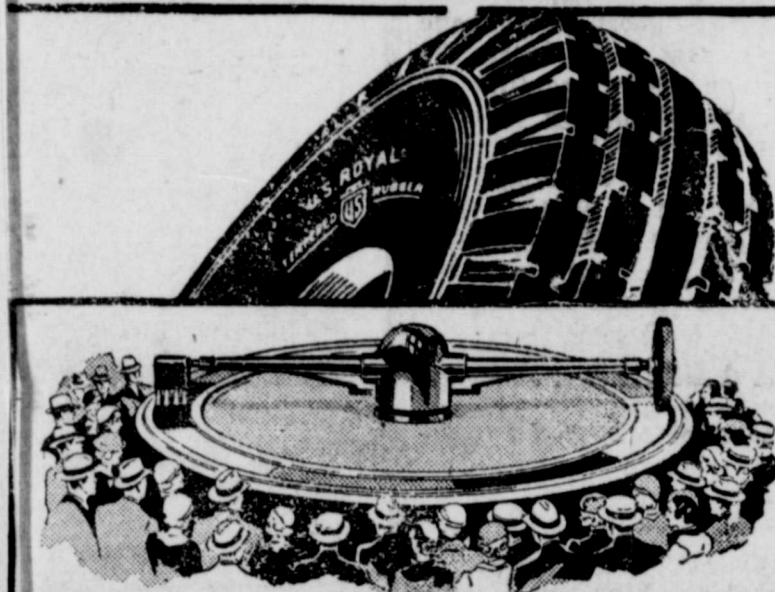
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## World Comment

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DALLAS certainly deserves the spotlight this week. Chosen to be the central location of the 1936 Centennial celebration, this second largest city of the state promises to be the focus point of the nation for the next two years. With a cash offer of \$7,791,000 and the State Fair site as a location, Dallas won over San Antonio and Houston, the only other cities competing. San Antonio, however, will have the consolation of housing the famed Alamo exhibit.

Speaking of fairs, the Panhandle will attract visitors from 13 or more states next week when the twelfth annual exposition of the Tri-State Fair will be held at Amarillo. The exposition, attended by several from this city when it was last held, has succeeded in drawing entries to every department, especially from the region it serves—the Panhandle, Oklahoma, and New Mexico. In addition to the county and state exhibits, Uncle Sam has entered a department.

JAS. E. FERGUSON handed in his resignation yesterday to the state executive committee as national committeeman, but with the stipulation that John Garner be made his successor. Thus the dominant figure in state politics for twenty years withdraws from the political arena—at least temporarily.

An amusing campaign incident is reported in Wisconsin. Conrad Hansen, asking reelection as State Senator from one of the districts, seeks the women's votes. He has pickle recipes printed on the back of his campaign cards. His opponent, (Miss) Selma Fjelstad, wants the men's votes. She has listed hunting season dates and regulations on her cards.

Early returns indicate Maine is going Republican again. If the state republican candidates continue to hold their leads as they do at this early date and IF the old adage, "as Maine goes, so goes the nation," holds good, the New Deal is going to receive a setback in the general election of November 6. Last time, though, Maine bet on the wrong horse. Hoover won the state by about 30,000 votes but

a Democratic governor was elected, and the old saying was broken. This time Republicans and Democrats "hope the state will go right."

The rumor is being circulated that Jim Ferguson will attempt to make a political comeback by running against Morris Shepard in 1936 for his senate seat.

### REPRESENTATIVE FOR SALVATION ARMY LOCAL VISITOR

W. D. Pedigo, special representative for the Salvation Army, was in Gatesville Tuesday making his regular annual appeal for subscriptions.

According to him, this appeal eliminates all forms of solicitations for twelve months hereafter.

Mrs. Ben Newland and Mrs. Jack Newland of Waco spent one day last week with Mrs. E. S. Winfield.

Mesdames Frank Poole, Lily Kelly and Matie Davis were in Waco visiting last Thursday afternoon.

### NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on November 14, 1933, at a stockholders' meeting of the Planters State Bank located at The Grove, Texas, the proposition was duly submitted to the stockholders to close the business of the corporation and that at said meeting the following resolution was adopted, to-wit:

"Whereas the stockholders of the Planters State Bank of The Grove, Texas, have been called and are now in meeting assembled to consider the liquidation of this bank; now therefore, be it

"RESOLVED, That the business of this bank be closed; that all depositors, and all creditors of every nature, be paid in full; that after paying all depositors and creditors, and discharging all remaining liabilities, the remaining assets of said bank be distributed proportionately among the stockholders; and that this bank surrender and have cancelled its corporate franchise. Be it further

"RESOLVED, That the officers and directors of this bank be hereby authorized and directed to take all necessary steps, and execute all necessary papers, to carry into effect this resolution."

NOW, THEREFORE, we, the undersigned directors, certify that the foregoing proceedings were had at such meeting and that the resolution hereinabove quoted was duly adopted.

W. J. DUBE  
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Nov. 11-34 Directors

Ramsey Searcy of Oglesby was a visitor in Gatesville the first of the week.

Miss Zelma Scott and Miss Tressie Meharg left today for Evans where they will teach the ensuing school year.

Mrs. S. C. Folsom, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Folsom and Verne Folsom of Dallas visited friends and relatives here the past week.

Mrs. I. O. Scott and two children have returned home from Shallowater after an extended visit with her parents.

Word has been received that Mr. and Mrs. Byron Freeman are now happily located in Corpus Christi. Mr. Freeman has recently accepted a position in a Drug Store at that place.

Misses Zoma Doyle and Erma Doyle went to Stephenville Wednesday of this week to visit several days. Erma plans to enter John Tarleton the coming school semester.

Misses Opal Dixon, Margaret Dixon, Evelyn Hensler and Cecil Dixon returned the latter part of the week from an interesting trip to Carlsbad Cavern and other points in New Mexico.

Mrs. Grace Barber and sister, Mildred Patillo left Wednesday for Waco where Mildred will enter Baylor University as a freshman. Mrs. Barber returned home here the following day.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Weigand and Mr. and Mrs. Pat Potts left Wednesday morning for Chicago to attend the Century of Progress Exposition. They also plan to make visits to Nigra Falls and New York City before returning home.

Mrs. A. K. Lydia and two children from Artesia, New Mexico, arrived here last week for an extended visit with her parents, Church.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Wright, Mrs. Lydia will be better known to her friends as Miss Maurine Wright.

Alonso Bryan of Waco was greeting friends in Gatesville last Wednesday. He accompanied his mother, Mrs. Gid J. Bryan, and several ladies from Waco, who attended the all day meeting at the Methodist Church.



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Preaching at 11:00 o'clock.

Communion at 11:45 o'clock.

Preaching at 7:30 o'clock.

Young People's meeting Monday 7:30 o'clock.

Ladies Bible Class Tuesday 3:00 o'clock.

Prayer and Bible Study Services Wednesday 7:30 p. m.

Bro. Williams will preach at Turnover next Sunday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

A cordial invitation is extended to you to be present with us at any or all of the above services.

C. B. Williams, Pastor.

### Presbyterian Church

There will be the usual services at the Presbyterian church on next Sunday. The Pastor will speak both morning and evening. At 7:30 p. m. he will continue the series of Simple Talks to Christians on the subject "What a Christian Does."

Sunday, October 7, is Rally Day. It is our aim to have every member of the Sunday School and of the Church present on that Sunday. At the close of the service that day, a Congregational Meeting is called to elect Elders and Deacons for the coming year. Begin now to make your plans to be present.

As we write this, we are ready to leave for Georgetown, to attend the fall meeting of the Presbytery of Central Texas. We expect to return home Thursday.

Jas. M. McLean, Pastor.

### First Baptist Church

Let us continue our increase in Sunday School each Sunday. Be prompt at 9:45 next Sunday.

Preaching by the pastor at 10:50 Sunday morning on the subject "Three Days In the Life of Every Man—Isaiah."

All seven unions of the BTS meet Sunday evening at 6:45. The general fellowship social of the BTS will be held tonight (Friday) at 7:30.

Sunday night preaching at 7:45. The pastor will speak on "The Virgin Son, The Vicarious Substitute and the Victorious Sovereign."

Junior Girls Auxiliary Monday at 4:15 p. m.

WMS Tuesday at 3 p. m.

Wednesday at 7:45 Prayer service followed by Choir rehearsal. In the prayer service the pastor will explain the entirely new Sunday School Study courses of the Southern Baptists.

YWA Thursday at 7:15 p. m.  
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## Henry Ford Will Have Steel Supply of His Own

DEARBORN, Mich., Aug. 30—

Henry Ford is today in full swing on the final move that will give his industry an absolutely independent supply of the 36 different kinds of special steels which it requires.

The move involves the building of two huge new steel mills, installation of a vast amount of special machinery and sufficient additions to his present power equipment to drive the new mill.

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Ford's move will tend further to make the Detroit area a great steel producing district by the addition of 1,500 tons of finished steel a day.

Workmen have already nearly completed the sinking of the caissons for the foundations of the two big mills which will be erected to the east and west of the present open hearth and steel mill buildings. That to the east will be a continuous cold strip mill capable of turning out sheets up to 84 inches wide; that to the west a continuous hot strip mill, turning out strips 48 inches wide.

### HOST TO EAST GATESVILLE DISTRICT UNION

The Young People's Department of the First Methodist church will be hosts to the East Gatesville District Union tonight at 3:30 o'clock. A splendid program has been arranged by the local department which will be given in the basement of the church preceding the recreational hour. The recreational hour will be led by Rev. C. D. Wooten of Eddy.

A large group of young people are expected to be present, and all local members are urged to come.

Rev. and Mrs. H. Poteet and three children of Richland, Texas have been the guests of Mrs. C. L. Bellamy. Rev. Poteet was a former pastor in this county several years ago.

Monday morning at the church building.

A cordial welcome awaits you at the services of our church. Clarence Allen Morton, Pastor.

## LIBERTY NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Franklin visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Huckaby, at Ewing Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Sockwell from Mosheim visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hightower since our last report.

Clyde Moore has returned to his work near Kilgore after spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maxwell and family from Cave Creek attended prayer meeting here Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Franklin, Miss Foy Franklin and Mr. and Mrs. Rudy Hollingsworth and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Miers.

Messrs. Dodge Hollingsworth and J. C. Taylor Jr. visited Mr. John Derrick last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Wilson and children and Raymond Huckaby visited Mrs. Dick Derrick and Bennie Derrick Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Crawford spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Garren.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Moore spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Moore near Turnersville.

Rev. and Mrs. G. L. Derrick and family and Ottis Landis visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Shack Latham recently.

Miss Mary Kitchen spent Saturday night with Miss Addie Mae Moore.

Misses Waldine and Freda Franklin visited her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Huckaby last Saturday.

J. S. Moore has gone to Calahan county, where he will make an extended visit with relatives.

Ottis Landis attended church at Levita Sunday.

Dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edd Latham last Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Frank Maxwell and family, Misses Euta Mae Pratter, Iveline and Lucille Wilson, Waldine Franklin and Weldon and Earl Derrick.

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## Tales of Early Gatesville Experiences Related

J. B. Cranfill, LL.D., Dallas

Following is reprinted an article which recently appeared in the Western Recorder. The author, Dr. J. B. Cranfill, was for several years a citizen of Coryell County and this city. He is fondly remembered by some of the elders of our citizenry.

When I established the Gatesville Advance, Coryell County, June 1, 1882, there were 200 voters in the town, ten saloons and a varying contingent of nomadic criminals. Baptists and Methodists had good houses of worship and regular services. A little while before my advent into Gatesville journalism, a mob had murdered nine men in the jail, and the same thing had been duplicated at Belton, fifty mile away.

Literature lured me from my earliest remembered years. My father subscribed to two county papers, and I devoured everything in them. At that time we were living at Hallmark's Prairie, Bastrop county, and one of the weeklies that came to us was the Gonzales Inquirer. When about twelve, I read the following in the Inquirer: "\$100 reward for the return of John Wesley Hardin to the Gonzales jail." It was signed by the Gonzales sheriff. The same John Wesley Hardin, after killing twenty-eight men, serving their time in the State prison, was killed at El Paso.

I had achieved rather notable success as a county doctor at Turnersville. What, with the prospects of a new railroad into the county-seat, I bought a Washington hand press, a Gordon jobber, stands, racks, cases, imposing stones, job cases and the rest with which to set up a county newspaper. The Gatesville Advance was the result. I

didn't know a side-stick from a side-saddle, so I hired Peter Bartlett Lee, then the most illustrious tramp-printer in America. Asking how he got down to Texas, he said he started to come by way of the St. Louis bridge, but when he reached the bridge he was shy the nickel it cost to cross the bridge, so he had to walk around the head of the Mississippi river to get down to Gatesville.

The first job we had was the funeral notice of Luther M Allen, County Clerk. The plan there was to send the printer's devil around the square with the funeral notices. When I asked Peter Bartlett what I should charge for the job, he affected solemn airs, and said:

"Doctor, this job as a matter of fact is worth \$2.50, but the man is dead and it's the last job we'll get out of him, so I'd charge him \$5.00."

Practically from the beginning of my weekly (and weakly) journalistic career, I was at grips with the saloons and the mob, and they twain were one flesh. They first cajoled, then howled and bawled and then threatened. During my first six months, a mob in Coryell County village murdered three men one night. I was not a preacher then, and it had not been many years since I drove the Chisholm Trail with northern bound cattle.

I was born on the Texas frontier and was trained in all the lure and traditions of the West. Knowing that my life was in danger every moment, I had a double action Colt 45, with a sawed-off barrel, made at the factory. It fit my hip pocket perfectly, and I put it in my pocket as regularly as I put on my trousers. I never had to use it,

but many times it saved my life because the lewd fellows of the baser sort believed I would use it, and, looking back upon those days after the lapse of fifty-two years, I am myself inclined to think I would have used it if conditions demanded it.

The competing paper was the Gatesville Sun, owned strangely enough, and edited by two other doctors—W. E. Brown and J. A. Mudd, the latter a brother of the Doctor Mudd who treated the wounds of John Wilkes Booth after he had assassinated President Lincoln—and I had trouble a-plenty with Mudd and Brown. There is a strange psychology in the competition between rival newspapers. The best of friends starting competing journalals in a town will likely become bitter enemies in a month.

I don't remember what brought it on, but Mudd and Brown and I got into a keen journalistic controversy. My side of it was impersonal, but they became personal. W. D. Shaw, one of my printers and in many ways a remarkable man, told me one morning that Dr. Brown had written a vicious attack upon me which would appear in his next issue. It was a personal assault upon my private character. I was busy, but not too busy to say to Shaw, "If he prints it, I'll kill him."

That kind of thing was all in the day's work at Gatesville, and I dismissed it from my mind until the morning of the Sun's publication, at which time I went up to the stairway where the boy came down with papers to deliver, my purpose being if the assault upon me was what Shaw had presented it to be to walk upstairs, and make a sieve out of Brown's anatomy. The boy gave me a paper, I glanced through it carefully and the story was not in it! I then realized what a nut I was to think of killing a man about that sort of thing, and went on my way.

### II

During those days there were hot political controversies, and one of the men whom I criticized was Monroe Gage, an excellent citizen but hot-headed and intolerant like men become in heated controversies. I was against his candidate for Governor and impaled him constantly, with the result that I received from Monroe one morning a penciled letter, innocent of capitals or punctuation, in which this hot-headed antagonist said he and two other men would be up Saturday to administer on my estate. I had mastered the art preservative at that time, so I went to the case and set the letter verbatim, et literatum, adding at the bottom that Monroe would find a warm welcome when he came to see me.

Then a problem presented itself. I was in Gatesville alone. My brother was practicing medicine in a distant county; my father lived away from there and my fighting brother-in-law was not available. I turned to W. D. Shaw, who was a university graduate, a native of North Car-



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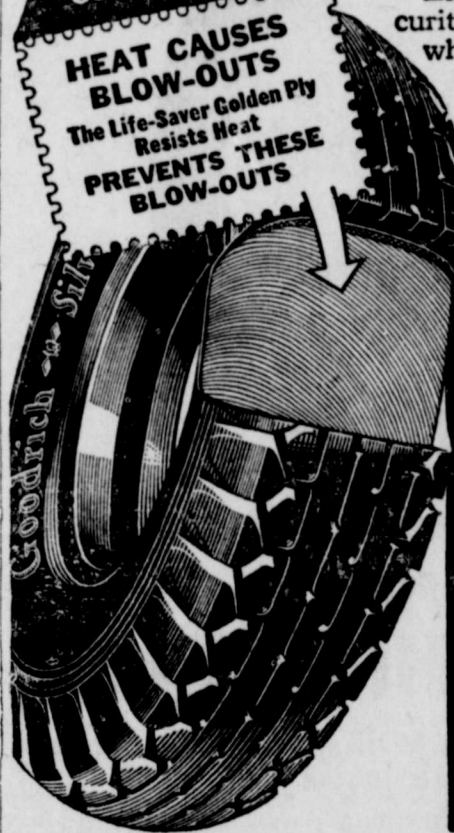
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**DR. CRANFILL—**

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olina and as brave a man as ever walked the world. He was a peripatetic printer because of drink. A man with brilliant mind high principles and iron nerve, he was small in stature, but his brain was large and crammed with helpful ideas. I asked Shaw if he would be willing to walk out on the street with me Saturday morning, whereupon he asked to see my guns. My main gun was my double-action 45, in the handling of which I counted myself an expert. I had never, like Wild Bill Hickok, learned to "fan" my my shots, but I knew my arsenal and knew, moreover, that if a man were plugged with a 45, he'd be too sick to kill you after you killed him.

Saturday morning Shaw and I loitered up the street. We were not looking for trouble, but my theory of trouble has always been that the best and the safest, as well as the bravest, thing is to face it. I didn't wait for the three men to come to the office, but figured to give them a fair chance at me. I exposed myself to whatever was in store for me. We saw the three men, all of whom I knew. They were standing some fifty feet from the intersection of the next street, and Shaw and I walked slowly on our way, without making any demonstration whatsoever. They glowered at us as we passed down the way, and the killing was over!

## III

At about that time we held a city election. The anti-saloon candidate for mayor was John W. Boyd, a Baptist deacon, and his opponent was Henry Lee, owner of a corner saloon. When the votes were counted Lee had polled ninety-seven and Boyd ninety-eight. A smart lawyer discovered an illegal Boyd ballot, and another election was ordered in ten days. If things had been hot before, they then were waxed seven times hotter than were their wont. The whole town was armed and every man alert, with not a coward so far as I knew on either side. When the second vote was counted, Boyd had polled 105 and Lee 104.

Rabb Dickie and I ganged together. He was a good scout and also was just as brave as a lion. We waited till the votes were counted and then started home. As we passed an alley-way, we heard the clicks of revolvers. Twilight had intervened and we couldn't see our enemies. We jumped, it seemed to me, fifty feet, but I guess it was less. Anyhow we got out of range, and then turned to face our would-be assassins. They ran.

The story of this Henry Lee is one of the most intriguing and tragical in West Texas history. I dreaded him so much, not because I was afraid of him, but because I feared I would have to kill him. Happily for me, that job was done by another man, named Ross, a member of the Methodist church there.

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I didn't witness the killing, but ran to the hotel pronto after hearing the shots, and as I went in, passed Rev. J. W. Shook, itinerant Methodist preacher. Death, however it comes to any human being, always solemnizes me, so, after viewing the remains, I made my way out and as I emerged from the hotel door, found brother Shook waiting for me. Out from under his broad-brimmed sombrero, he looked up at me and I expected him to say some such word as, "Great pity, wasn't it?" But instead, he said, with a triumphant twinkle in his eye, "Fine shot, wasn't it?" This remark can better be understood when it was remembered that Lee was the terror of all the constructive forces of all that part of Texas.

Ross was promptly acquitted of the killing and a few months thereafter was assassinated in Arkansas, presumably by one of Lee's men. I think I knew the man who killed him.

The next week Uncle Tom Winters, of Evant, twenty-miles west of Gatesville, was in town and I asked him what the feeling was in his neighborhood concerning the killing of Henry Lee. He squared himself, took another quid of tobacco and said:

"Doc, I've been livin' in Coryell County nigh onto twenty-five year and I've seed a heap o' killin's, but I've never known one that gave such general satisfaction."

Now, I've used up my space and haven't started on my story! —Western Recorder.

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