

FLEET IS REVIEWED BY HARDING

FORMER DISTRICT CLERK IS WANTED IN FRAUD CHARGE

COUNTY OFFICERS ARE UNABLE TO LOCATE SENATOR JOHN A. RUSSELL WHO WAS INDICTED SEVERAL WEEKS AGO BY THE EASTLAND COUNTY GRAND JURY — HE IS BELIEVED TO BE IN MEXICO OR THE KLONDIKE.

EASTLAND, April 28. — County authorities are seeking the whereabouts of Senator John A. Russell, former district clerk of this county who was indicted at the last session of the grand jury on eleven counts which allege a shortage of \$32,800 in his accounts while he was district clerk.

Senator Russell disappeared about February 15 and it is believed that he went either to Mexico or the Klondike. He left Austin to return to Eastland but never came here.

A short time after he left his resignation as senator was mailed to the governor from Eastland and immediately a spirited race arose between Representative Joe Burkett and Rev. Arthur Jones of Eastland for the vacant post. Burkett offered to leave the question of who should make the race to an "arbitration" committee, composed of friends of both men, in order that an Eastland county man would have a chance for the post. Jones offered to leave the issue to a county convention and Burkett refused. Several other men in the district announced that they would run. Then the senate settled the imbroglio by reseatting Russell, and he is today officially a member of that body.

Auditors Probe Accounts.

Meanwhile the auditors continued to investigate the accounts of Russell's office, and their final report was submitted to that body during its last session. A strict investigation of any shortage was enjoined by Judge Hill, who said an indictment should be returned if the shortage was found and it was believed there had been any fraud in connection with the shortage.

The first hint of a shortage in Russell's accounts appeared on February 25, when County Attorney Dunnam in the name of the governor filed a civil suit for the recovery of \$3,185, alleged to be due the state from Russell. Efforts to locate Russell in Austin, where he was supposed to be sitting in the state senate, revealed that a week before the suit had been filed he had ceased attendance and there was no clue to where he went or how. Since then, so far as public knowledge of his movements goes, Russell has been unseen by anyone who knows him.

U. S. AVIATORS WILL RETURN TO THIS COUNTRY

WARSAW, April 28.—Members of the famous Kosciuszko squadron of recruited Americans for service in Poland against the Russian Bolsheviks, intend to return to the United States immediately after being demobilized next week. Captain Merion Cooper, of Jacksonville, Florida, who arrived in Riga this week after escaping from a soviet Russian prison, is en route to this city to join his comrades.

AMBASSADORS CONFER.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—Sir Auckland Geddes, British ambassador, conferred with Secretary Hughes on reparations today. Also the Belgian ambassador conferred with Secretary Hughes.

SCHOOL TAXES PAID.

The following citizen of Cisco paid his school taxes yesterday: G. W. Gardonhire. The penalty on delinquent school taxes has been suspended until May 3. If you are unable to pay all of your taxes, you can pay your school taxes now and your other taxes later.

BELL DORA DUNN CONVICTED AND GIVEN 60 YEARS

VERDICT OF JURY RETURNED AT 9 O'CLOCK THIS MORNING IS A DISTINCT SURPRISE TO THE DEFENDANT AND HER ATTORNEY'S — NEW TRIAL WILL BE SOUGHT.

EASTLAND, April 28.—The jury in the Bell Dora Dunn case returned a verdict at 9 o'clock this morning finding the defendant guilty of murder as charged and assessing her punishment at 60 years in the penitentiary.

The defendant was charged with the murder of her husband by hitting him in the head with an axe and cutting his throat. The defendant on yesterday confessed that she had killed her husband in the manner alleged and told in detail of the tragedy. She had not, however, denied from the first that she killed him, but the confession yesterday was the first time that she had given the details of the tragedy. She claimed that her husband had beaten and mistreated her and had threatened to kill her. This was borne out by the testimony of her two children. One of the children testified that he heard his father tell his mother that he would "cut her heart out," and that his mother got the axe and struck his father in the head with it and then cut his throat.

The verdict of the jury was a distinct surprise to the defendant and to her attorneys who felt confident of acquittal. Many people in Eastland felt that the jury would free the defendant on the ground of the murder being justified. Mrs. Dunn's attorneys are going to ask for a new trial and if this is not granted the case will be appealed.

MODERN RAILROAD EATING HOUSE IS TO BE CONSTRUCTED

There will be a modern railroad eating house erected on the railroad property just south of the Katy tracks and near the spot which is now occupied by the wooden building that serves as an eating house. The building will be of brick with a plate glass front and will be thoroughly in keeping with a modern city. The structure is to be erected by C. C. Bishop of Cisco. Work on the building will start in the very near future, it was announced today. The frame house which is now being used will be torn down.

The plan is to beautify the triangle that will be left between the tracks when the old house is torn down. This is something that a great need has been felt for and it will be very gratifying to the railroad companies of Cisco and the traveling public to have this building erected at this point.

KATY MAKES GOOD RECORD IN HANDLING FREIGHT SHIPMENTS

The local office of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas line has just received a letter from W. M. Vaughn, the division freight agent, who makes headquarters at Temple, in which Mr. Vaughn states that the road handled between April 1 and 10 a total of 1,141 cars, and that 93.1 of the cars were delivered on time. This is a splendid record, Mr. Vaughn points out, but it is not the exception. The road is maintaining this kind of service regularly, he declares.

MEXICANS PUT TO WORK.

City Commissioner Frank Walker, mayor protem presided over police court this morning and at the close of court the city road gang had been increased seven men, all of them Mexicans. They were arraigned and convicted on vagrancy charges. There has been a considerable amount of petty thievery going on here for the last few weeks and it is the belief of the officers that a good deal of it has been done by idle Mexicans. The officers are determined to rid the city of undesirable characters.

28TH ANNIVERSARY.

Today is the 28th anniversary of the cyclone which practically destroyed Cisco, entailing a loss of many lives and many thousands of dollars in property.

FALSE ALARM.

The fire department answered an alarm which came in at 8:30 last night and went to West Tenth street, according to instructions of the alarm. After driving up and down the street several times, looking in vain for the fire, the firemen concluded it was a false alarm.

HI-JACKERS ROB TAXI DRIVER OF CAR AND MONEY

According to a telephone message received here last night by his wife, Jim S. Mobley, a local service car driver, was held up by his passengers near Palo Pinto last night and robbed of what money he had and his car taken from him. He was left on the side of the road and the hijackers proceeded toward Strawn.

Mr. Mobley notified the officers as soon as he could get to a telephone and strenuous efforts are being made to locate the men. Mr. Mobley is expected to return to Cisco by train this afternoon.

Leaving here yesterday at noon Mobley had two passengers who had hired his car for a trip to Breckenridge and Strawn. There was nothing about the men to arouse his suspicion and it is presumed that he was taken entirely unawares when they held him up. He was driving his Hudson super six car.

KATY OFFICIAL IS ASKED FOR PROPERTY TO MAKE CITY PARK

Secretary G. C. Richardson has taken up the matter of securing the strip of railroad property at Fourth and Union streets for park purposes with G. N. Whitehead, chief operating officer of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway. He wrote to Mr. Whitehead yesterday and told him that the city of Cisco was very anxious to beautify this piece of unsightly property.

This is considered an ideal spot for a park. It is near to the business district and just across the street from the union depot, where a beauty spot would have a pleasing effect upon a new arrival in the city. The chamber of commerce is using every effort to get this property for park purposes and is hopeful that the railroad company will see its way clear to donate it or lease it for this purpose to the city.

PIONEER SETTLER OF EASTLAND COUNTY DIES NEAR STEPHENVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McDermott of this city, and F. J. McDermott and Mr. and Mrs. H. H. McDermott of Crosby county motored to Stephenville Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mr. McDermott's uncle, George McDermott, who died at his home in Erath county last Monday.

The deceased was 69 years old and had spent the greater part of his life in West Texas. He was the founder of what was known as the T-e-e Up and Down horse ranch, eight miles north of Cisco, in the early eighties. He was well known among the old settlers in this section. The deceased was the stepfather of Mrs. George Huestis of Cisco.

SEEKS INJUNCTION.

EASTLAND, April 27.—Suit was filed in the eighty-eighth district court Monday, being case No. 7936, and styled J. H. Fox vs. the Merriman Baptist church, in which Fox seeks to restrain the church from building a house of worship on the Merriman lot. This is the church which profited largely by reason of the bringing in of the Warren Wagner well, early in the oil boom, and which gave largely of its royalty money to the Baptist state board.

DISTURBING PUBLIC WORSHIP.

EASTLAND, April 26.—The case of the state of Texas vs. A. T. Rowland, charged with disturbing public worship at Olden some time ago, was called in the county court at law and dismissed, the complaint being quashed. Another case against Rowland was called and bond forfeited, Rowland failing to put in an appearance.

MISS VAN HOOSE DIES.

EASTLAND, April 28.—Miss Zenith Van Hoose, private secretary to Sam D. Young, president of the Security State Bank & Trust Co., died at the Whittington Sanitarium last evening as the result of an operation for appendicitis, and her remains will be taken to Coleman, Texas, her former home for interment. When it became known that she was very low, and the attendant physicians stated that a transfusion of blood was the only thing that would possibly save her life, Jack Oates, cashier of the Security State bank, volunteered and gave a pint of his blood in the effort to save his co-worker, but without avail. Deceased lived with her mother and sister, Miss Margaret Van Hoose, who is employed by the Oil Cities Electric company. Since coming to Eastland she had made many friends, by her genial disposition, and many womanly qualities of heart and mind.

GERMANS GET MORE EVASIVE IN PROPOSALS

GREAT BRITAIN ASKS FOR EXPLANATIONS AND EVEN GREATER CONFUSION RESULTS — GERMANS NOW ASK ANNUITIES EXTEND OVER PERIOD OF FIFTY TO SEVENTY-FIVE YEARS INSTEAD OF FORTY.

LONDON, April 28. — Germany's attempt to clarify certain reparations proposals in compliance with the request of the British foreign office yesterday was said in official circles to have resulted in even greater confusion. Great Britain has asked for further explanations. Informal interchanges are in progress and the present position of Great Britain is said to be that of the proposals being still "skeptical" and very unsatisfactory.

As an outgrowth of the British query yesterday it is stated that Germany now suggests annuities to extend over a period of fifty to seventy-five years or even longer, instead of forty-two as originally mentioned. This is declared to be a sample of the "evasive" method of Germany which cannot be allowed to continue.

REJECTS NAVAL BILL AMENDMENT.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—The house today overwhelmingly rejected the amendment to the naval appropriations bill, providing no funds be used in continuing warship construction until the president is called to the international disarmament conference.

ATTACK PEACE RESOLUTION.

WASHINGTON, April 28.—The first attack in the senate on the Knox peace resolution came today from the republican side, when Senator Nelson of Minnesota, chairman of the judiciary committee, characterized the resolution as "halting, piece-meal work."

WOULD MODIFY OFFER.

BERLIN, April 28.—A semi-official statement was issued here today, suggesting that Germany is willing to modify her reparations proposals if asked to do so by Washington, and that by such action will be the basis of the agreement reached.

STATE FIRE MARSHAL TELLS HOW CITY OF CISCO MAY OBTAIN A LOWER KEY RATE

As the result of an inspection of Cisco's fire protection system, which was made by George C. Hawley, of the state fire insurance commission, on April 7 and 8, the fire marshal has forwarded to Mayor Williamson recommendations for the improvement of the fire protection of Cisco, and for the lowering of the key rate of insurance.

The state fire insurance commission's recommendations are as follows:

1. Waterworks: (a) In order that your city may be doubly prepared for an emergency, we strongly recommend that the centrifugal pump and second engine at the old station, Lake Bernie, be overhauled and placed in commission. Aside from the additional protection afforded, the present key rate of your city will be reduced three cents.
- (b) All fire hydrants in your city should be inspected at least once each quarter, properly flushed, all caps and valve stems oiled, and defective hydrants repaired.
- (c) Oily waste and rags are subject to spontaneous combustion, and if not properly cared for are liable to cause a disastrous fire. This hazard may be avoided by the installation of an approved labeled oily waste can at the pumping station.
- (d) All pumps at pumping station should be equipped with relief valves of sufficient size to discharge the entire output of the pumps.
- (e) We recommend that the recording pressure gauge at the city hall be placed in first class condition, so that a complete record is available at all times as to the pressure maintained on the distribution system.
2. Fire Department: (a) A city the size of Cisco requires the services of at least ten full paid firemen, based on the requirements of five paid men to each five thousand population, or fraction thereof; therefore, by the employment of nine additional full paid firemen, who shall devote their entire time to the service, and sleep at the fire station, the charge of

COUNCIL MAY ADD PENALTIES ON GERMANS

PARIS, April 28.—Application of further penalties to Germany and tracing of new boundaries between Poland and German Upper Silesia are to be discussed by the supreme allied council in London Saturday, it was learned here today. Determination of the frontier of Poland and German Silesia is to be based on reports of the plebiscite commission, which supervised the voting held in Upper Silesia and recommendations of the council ambassador. It is understood that the United States is invited to have a representative at the meeting.

PROPOSALS ARE UNSATISFACTORY MINISTER SAYS

LONDON, April 28. — Prime Minister Lloyd George speaking in the house of commons today on Germany's reparations proposals said, "I very much regret to say that they are thoroughly unsatisfactory and I wish it might have been possible for me to say that they alter the situation."

NEFF TO ADDRESS NEWSPAPER MEN AT M'ALLEN IN JUNE

RICHARDSON, Texas, April 28.—Governor Pat M. Neff will attend the annual meeting of the Texas Press association at McAllen, June 9-11. Sam P. Harbigh, secretary of the association, announced today. The governor will leave Austin on a special press train from Dallas and will address the newspapermen June 9, he said.

DRAFT DODGER TO SAN ANTONIO.

LAREDO, April 28.—Linn A. Galea, draft dodger and charged with violation of the espionage law, recently deported from Mexico City, left here today for San Antonio, in custody of Captain Frank Stretton, provost marshal, from Fort Sam Houston. He will be held in San Antonio for court martial on the charge of desertion, according to officers at Fort McIntosh, where he was turned over to the American authorities.

PRESIDENT IS SALUTED FOR THE FIRST TIME BY NATION'S SEA FIGHTERS

HEAD OF MINERS IN KANSAS WILL NOT OBEY ORDER

PITTSBURG, April 28. — Alex Howat, head of the Kansas miners union has rejected the demand of international union that he put back at work the striking employees of the Dean Coal Mining Co. The demand was in the form of an ultimatum delivered to Howat yesterday by a committee of the international executive board sent here by John Lewis international president of the United Mine Workers of America to investigate the strike in the Dean mine. Howat declared "The Dean coal company nor any other coal company, nor anyone else will be allowed to take away from the miners of Kansas their customs and rights."

BRITISH ARE BEHIND FRENCH ON REPARATIONS

LONDON, April 28. — Lloyd George told the house of commons today that the British government was committed to action as far as the West Phalian coal fields were concerned if the German reparations proposals were unsatisfactory, adding, "It is not for me to say whether another opportunity will be given Germany."

PROMINENT CLUB WOMAN TO SPEAK HERE ON SATURDAY

The public is cordially invited to be present at the meeting of the Civic League which is to be held Saturday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the city hall auditorium and hear at that time addresses by Mrs. Florence Floore, president of the Texas federation of Women's Clubs and Mrs. J. Y. Young, of Mineral Wells, one of the most prominent club women in the state and a speaker who is especially well informed on civic league work.

CREDIT SITUATION TO BE SURVEYED BY MR. HARDING

WASHINGTON, April 28.—Governor Harding of the federal reserve board announced today that next week he would begin a personal survey of the farm credit situation in the middle west and southwest. Shortly after the mid-May meeting of the federal reserve board, Harding will leave Washington for Kansas City, Topeka, Nashville, Oklahoma and other localities.

ATTENTION, MASONS.

Regular meeting of the Cisco Masonic Lodge will be held tonight at 7:30 o'clock at Masonic Temple. There will be considerable business of vital interest to the lodge, and the membership is urgently requested to be present. All candidates for degrees who are prepared for examination will please present themselves not later than 8:30 o'clock. I am disappointed over the assistance and support rendered me by the older Masons and now, since the Masonic year is rapidly drawing to a close, I hope they will realize this lack of interest and come out tonight. I have no complaint to find with our young Masons. These young men have backed me up by their presence and support and enabled us to perform the greatest year's work in the history of this lodge.

AGED WOMAN LOST.

FORT WORTH, April 28.—Search was begun here today for Mrs. Susan Aermie, 69, who left her home, it is believed, March 24. She was en route to Mount Enterprise. She was seen to board the train for Texarkana here, but no further trace has been discovered.

OFFER IS REJECTED.

LONDON, April 28.—The Miners' Federation today rejected the government's new offer of a strike settlement by an overwhelming majority.

MORE THAN SIXTY SHIPS PASS IN REVIEW BEFORE THE NATION'S CHIEF EXECUTIVE WHO IS STATIONED ON THE BRIDGE OF THE PRESIDENTIAL YACHT, THE MAYFLOWER.

OLD POINT COMFORT, Va., April 28.—The Atlantic fleet, bringing back a new record of accomplishments from its southern drill grounds, passed in ceremonial review before President Harding today as it entered the home waters of Hampton Roads. More than sixty ships of war were led by the flagship Pennsylvania in a long column that filed by to pay the commander-in-chief's honors to the president as he stood with Secretary of the Navy Denby and a party of officials on the bridge of his yacht, the Mayflower. A low cloud curtain screened the sunlight from the paces, softening the grim lines of the deck and turret, adding a hint of dusk to the sombre picture. Crews lined the rails in living walls of blue, as the fighting craft passed. Marine guards on the quarterdeck of each vessel, when opposite the Mayflower, snapped to present arms, with hands playing the opening bars of "The Star-Spangled Banner." This was Mr. Harding's first review of any part of the nation's sea power since he assumed the office, and the navy's first opportunity to salute him. With Admiral Wilson, the fleet commander, on the Pennsylvania stood Assistant Secretary Roosevelt, who made the cruise from Guantanamo. The blue white flag of the assistant secretary fluttered on the top mast. Following the Pennsylvania came the battleships Oklahoma, Nevada, Arizona, Utah, Florida, Delaware, North Dakota, Michigan, South Carolina, Connecticut and Utah, flying the flag of Vice-Admiral Jones, commanding the battleship force. Close behind the battleships came the tender Black Hawk, leading three divisions of six destroyers each, and thirteen submarines. The destroyers were forced to content themselves with less elaborate honors than those paid the larger vessels. The great part of their crews were below deck. On the submarines little groups of men almost awash stood rigidly at attention as the submarines slipped by the reviewing party. Throughout the review, seaplanes from the naval base and army aircraft from Langley Field buzzed overhead while three dirigibles droned lazily above the pageant. In a little more than an hour after the flagship passed the Mayflower, the last submarine in the line slipped by and the fleet anchored in the roads. The Mayflower joined the Armada. President and Mrs. Harding going aboard the flagship, Pennsylvania, where they held a reception for the officers of the fleet.

FRANCE APPRECIATES ATTITUDE OF THE U. S. REPARATIONS OFFER

LONDON, April 28. — Reuters limited announced today it had learned that France had instructed Ambassador Jusserand at Washington to thank the United States government "for its assurance that the United States would not deliver the German reparations offer without the approval of the allies."

TO PUT ON BUS SERVICE.

The Daniels hotel, according to announcement made this morning by Mr. Daniels, will very shortly put on free bus service from the depot to the hotel. The bus which is to have a capacity of twelve passengers will be constructed on a Chandler chassis and will be ready for operation by the first of the month.

PAVING OF THIRD STREET AUTHORIZED BY CITY COMMISSION

The city commission last night adopted resolutions providing for the paving of Third street from Avenue E to Avenue I and set the hearing for May 9. On this date the property owners affected will have the right to appear before the commission and register their complaints against the assessments for the pavement if they have any.

T. M. Williams and Miss Blanche Norvell have been admitted to the Ervay-Payne sanitarium for operations. Both patients are resting well.







MAYOR WILLIAMSON FILES ANSWER TO TOMLINSON'S CONTEST OF HIS ELECTION

POINTS OUT THAT CONTESTANT DID NOT QUESTION LEGALITY OF PREFERENTIAL BALLOT DURING CAMPAIGN, BUT WAS VERY ANXIOUS FOR THE VOTERS TO UNDERSTAND IT, AND JOINED CONTESTEE IN STATEMENT EXPLAINING THE BALLOT.

Mayor J. M. Williamson filed yesterday afternoon his answer to the notice of contest of his election which was served on him Friday, April 15, by W. R. Tomlinson.

In his answer, Mayor Williamson points out that Mr. Tomlinson bases one of his allegations of illegality of the election on the alleged unconstitutionality of the preferential ballot, and attacks the provisions of the city charter in this respect. In answer to this allegation, Mr. Williamson calls attention to the fact that Mr. Tomlinson offered himself as a candidate for mayor under this charter, and that he was very anxious that the public understand how to cast a ballot under the present charter, so anxious that he came to Mayor Williamson and asked that he join him in a statement to the voters, explaining this ballot, which Mayor Williamson states he did, the statement being published in the Cisco Daily News of April 3.

In regard to the four ballots which Mr. Tomlinson alleges were made out by voters at their homes, contrary to law, and brought to the polling place already made out, Mayor Williamson states that he has no sufficient information to answer this charge, but he demands that absolute proof be offered. All of the other allegations of the contestant are denied absolutely by Mayor Williamson.

The petition in full reads as follows: W. R. Tomlinson vs. J. M. Williamson. In the District Court of Eastland County, Texas, 91st Judicial District. Now comes J. M. Williamson, contestee.

In the above entitled cause, and answering the grounds of contest set forth in the statement of contestant served upon contestee herein on the 14th day of April, 1921, says:

1. Contestee excepts generally to said statement so served upon him and for such exception says that the same is insufficient in law and sets forth no legal ground for contesting the election there referred to.

2. Contestee specially excepts to said statement so served upon him and to paragraphs two, three, four and five thereof, wherein it is sought to attack and to have held null and void sections 6, 7 and 8 of article 5 of the charter of the city of Cisco, and for such exception says that the same are insufficient in law and show no legal ground for contestant's right to contest said election.

(a) It is sought thereby to have said sections 6, 7 and 8 of article 5 of the charter of the city of Cisco held null and void on the ground that they are in contravention of the constitution and statute laws of the state of Texas which this court is without jurisdiction to hear and determine in a suit or proceedings to test the validity of a municipal election, and the same is a collateral attack upon the validity of the said charter of Cisco and upon sections therein referred to.

(b) The facts alleged in said paragraphs do not show that said sections or any part thereof contravene any provision or requirement of the constitution or of any statute of the state of Texas in respect to suffrage or the manner of holding elections.

(c) This court is without jurisdiction to hear and determine the validity of the paragraphs of the charter of the city of Cisco attacked in said statement.

(d) That the same is a collateral attack upon the provisions of said charter.

3. Contestee comes and specially excepts to paragraph seven of said statement on the following grounds:

(a) That the allegations thereof are insufficient to apprise the contestee of the persons or electors who were influenced and instructed as therein alleged.

(b) That the same does not apprise the contestee of who the persons were that engaged in electioneering within the radius as therein alleged, nor whether such electioneering was for the contestant or contestee.

(c) That contestant does not give the names of the persons who were influenced to vote contrary to his or their will, or name the persons who electioneered, nor what they said or did nor when.

Says Names Not Stated.

4. Contestee specially excepts to paragraph eight of contestant's said statement for that—

(a) The contestant does not state who the persons were that voted said 151 votes.

and uncertain to apprise the contestee of what he is required to meet.

(b) It is not alleged that the contestee failed to do any act or could have done any act to prevent the wrong complained of.

(c) It is not alleged what matters and things, irregularities or wrongs were called to the attention of the election officers, nor that the contestant's admissions, if any he made, were not heeded by said election officers after having been called to their attention.

Says Statement Vague.

5. Contestee specially excepts to paragraph five of said statement on the following grounds:

(a) Because the same is vague, indefinite and uncertain.

(b) Because the allegations thereof are the conclusions of the pleader and do not state the facts.

(c) Because it does not state wherein the same fails to furnish means to detect and punish fraud, or to preserve the purity of the ballot, nor wherein the voter is confused or misled, nor wherein the preferential ballot defeats the purposes of the law or of an intelligent ballot, nor wherein the same is a pitfall, delusion or snare, nor wherein the objects or purposes of the constitution of the state of Texas are thwarted.

Wherefore, contestee prays that all of said exceptions, general and specific, be sustained.

9. And further answering herein, if need be, and without waiving any of the foregoing exceptions, comes now the said contestee and denies each and every allegation in said statement of contestant contained and demands strict proof of the same.

Wherefore, he prays that contestant take nothing by his contest and that contestee go hence without duty and recover of contestant his costs.

Admits Election Was Held.

Comes now the said contestee, and answering the said statement of contestant, paragraph six, says:

(1) I, the said contestant, admit that there was an election held in the city of Cisco on the 5th day of April, 1921, for the election of a mayor and certain city commissioners, and that contestant and contestee were opposing candidates for the office of mayor, and that contestee was declared elected to the office and a certificate of election issued and delivered to him and that he is now qualified thereunder and is now exercising the powers and authority of said mayor and claiming to be the duly elected, qualified and acting mayor of the city of Cisco under and by virtue of said election and in accordance with said certificate.

Contestee admits that the charter of the city of Cisco provides for the preferential form of ballot, but denies that said charter is in contravention of the constitution or of the laws of the state of Texas.

Otherwise than as above admitted the said contestee specially denies each and every allegation of said paragraphs 1 and 2 of said statement of contestant.

(3) and (4). Contestee denies that sections 6, 7 and 8 of article 5 of the charter of the city of Cisco provide the qualifications of an elector or voter other or different from the qualifications prescribed by the constitution and laws of the state of Texas. He denies also that said provisions of the said charter prescribe other or different regulations than prescribed by the constitution and laws of the state of Texas.

(5). Specially answering paragraph five of said statement, the contestee denies that said sections of the charter of the city of Cisco are null and void and denies that the same are calculated to mislead or confuse the voters; and denies that they are calculated to defeat the purposes of the law in providing for an intelligent ballot; and denies that said sections are pitfalls, delusions or snares, and denies that they are calculated to defeat the objects or purposes of the constitution or laws of the state of Texas; he admits that said sections do not provide for regulations to detect and punish fraud, but says that said charter provides, among other things, that elections held thereunder shall be in accordance with the constitution and laws of the state of Texas, in so far as applicable, in which said constitution and laws ample provision is made for all necessary regulations to detect and punish fraud in elections.

Says Tomlinson Not Amateur.

Contestee further specially pleads that contestant is not a novice in politics, but is schooled and experienced therein and has previously in his candidacy for mayor of Cisco on two or more occasions been a candidate for public office, and that about fifty days prior to said election referred to in his said statement the said contestant announced his candidacy for the office of mayor of the city of Cisco and began to inquire into and to familiarize himself with the charter regulations of the city of Cisco with reference to elections and particularly to the method of voting by preferential ballot as set forth in the sections attacked in his said statement, and became and was fully informed as to said requirements and said regulations and said preferential ballots so much so that he gave out advance information and advice to the voters as to the method of voting thereby and casting their ballots in accordance therewith so as to express their wishes and vote their sentiments, and with this knowledge and information the said contestant held himself out as a candidate for said office on a preferential ticket, conducted an active campaign and submitted to an election held under the provisions of said charter, which he now attacks and asked and sought to be elected mayor of said city in accordance with the provisions of said charter and said preferential ballot, and sought to induce and induce voters to cast their ballots for him on a preferential ticket in accordance with the sections which he now attacks and reaped all the benefits of said preferential ballot in his own behalf, and by reason of the facts stated the said contestant acquiesced in the method of holding said election under the provisions of said charter, and if

said preferential ballot is a pitfall, or snare, or delusion, as alleged, or is calculated to defeat the objects or purposes of the constitution or laws of the state of Texas, which is not admitted but specially denied, then contestee says that said sections would prove as much a pitfall, snare or delusion to those desiring to vote for contestee as to those voting for contestant, and the contestant can not seek to profit thereby in the election and failing therein then turn and attack that by which he sought his own ends and is therefore stopped from now questioning the said provisions of the charter or attacking them as void. Contestee further says that on Saturday the 2nd day of April, 1921, prior to said election held on the 5th day of April, 1921, the contestant sought to take advantage in election of the provisions of the charter of the city of Cisco with reference to the preferential ballot and sought out the contestee and requested him to join contestant in a published explanation of the ballot and the method of voting a preferential ticket under the requirements of said charter and that the contestant did join in such statement in writing over the joint signatures of the contestant and contestee wherein the form of ballot was given and the method of voting illustrated and appropriate instructions given to make the same clear and plain and after said statement had been so signed the said contestant caused the same to be published in the Cisco Daily News of the issue of Sunday, April 3, 1921, and there by the contestant invited and induced electors in the city of Cisco to vote by and with said preferential ballot and to vote for him by that method and to participate in said election held under the provisions of said charter.

No Irregularities.

(1) Contestee answering the eleventh paragraph of said statement denies that there were any irregularities in the conduct of said election, denies that there was any electioneering contrary to law, and denies that there was any misconduct as alleged and denies that any ground is alleged for the setting aside of said election and denies that there was anything which happened or transpired which was calculated to prevent an open and free ballot, or either, as alleged, and denies that the contestant called the attention of the election officers to any violation of the law then or there carried on or that they called upon them to prevent the same; he says that if he made any statement to said officers or called their attention to any matter or thing that it was not in the presence or hearing of this contestee and this contestee was without power or authority to correct or change that about which complaint was made and the same was without his consent or procurement. Contestee alleges in this connection that election judges and clerks holding said election about which complaint is made by contestant were all good citizens of the city of Cisco and qualified to serve in the capacities in which they severally acted and discharged the duties of their offices fairly and impartially and in accordance with the law and the charter of said city and declared the result fairly and impartially and so made their returns; that some of them were placed as judges and clerks of said election at the instance and request of the said W. R. Tomlinson, contestant, and with a view of guarding his rights and contestee alleges that they did fairly and impartially guard the said contestant's rights; that so far as this contestee knows or believes the said election was held in strict conformity with the regulations of the charter of the city of Cisco and the constitution and laws of the state of Texas and the result thereof as declared and returned by the duly constituted authorities reflected the will and wish of a majority of the qualified voters voting at said election, and this contestee knows of no reason in law or morals why said election should be set aside, or a new election held, or a recount had other than to satisfy the contestant and his partisans that he was not and is not the choice of the majority of the qualified voters of said city for the office of mayor; contestee says that he verily believes that another election would result in his favor with a more decided majority, but that no reason exists for the holding of the same.

WHEREFORE, contestee respectfully prays that the contestant take nothing by his contest and that contestee go hence without duty and recover of the contestant his costs; and in duty bound the contestee will ever pray.

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NEFF DECLARES STATE HAS TOO BIG A PAY ROLL

OFFICIALS ARE DRAWING MONEY THAT ARE NOT EARNED AND THERE IS TOO MUCH DUPLICATING AND OVERLAPPING OF THE MACHINERY OF GOVERNMENT, THE GOVERNOR SAYS IN ADDRESS IN SAN ANTONIO.

Associated Press.

SAN ANTONIO, April 23.—Governor Pat M. Neff said today he had discovered that the state has too many officials on the payroll, and that they are not all earning their salaries, and that the state has too much duplicating and overlapping machinery, in an address before a joint meeting of the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs here. He mentioned his "law enforcement program," which he has announced and will submit again to the special session, pointing out that while the governor is charged with enforcing the laws of the state, "he stands with but little authority and practically helpless in the presence of the greatest crime wave in history." He said he also had discovered that the governor possesses no authority to remove inefficient officers, yet he is charged with the efficient administration of state affairs.

The governor said: "There is entirely too much harmony around the capitol in regard to the expenditure of money. Those who appropriate the people's money should not be at all times in such harmonious terms with those who spend it."

Governor Neff said he had concluded that the governor's office is no "primrose path of pleasure," as no matter what action he took, it was bound to raise objection from some part of the state, and that the people were not backward in voicing their objections.

MERCHANTS PLAN BIG TRADES DAY FOR WEDNESDAY

The merchants of Cisco are going to cooperate in making Wednesday a great trades day in this city. Plans for the trades day were formulated last night at the regular meeting of the Retail Merchants association. Each merchant will offer a worthwhile special inducement for trades day in the form of a bargain on one or more items of merchandise. Secretary E. L. Battaille was instructed to make the necessary arrangements with the Daily News for advertising space each Monday for the Trades Day specials.

At the meeting last night it was brought out that at least 100 merchants from Cisco will go to Brownwood for the state convention of the Retail Merchants association which meets in that city May 16, 17 and 18. They plan to make the trip by automobile. In view of the fact that in the readjustment period that is just passing the merchants have encountered many business problems, this meeting of the state convention promises to be one of the most important in the history of the state organization and an especial effort is to be made to have Cisco well represented at the convention. Those who will furnish cars are requested to notify the secretary.

Tentative plans for the Fall Style Show and Cisco Industrial Exposition which is to be held next September were discussed at the meeting last night.

The following were present: H. S. Drumwright, president, president; E. L. Battaille, Sec.; M. Polsky, J. W. Babb, S. A. Owens, R. W. K. Kenyon, J. R. Gibrath, Roscoe St. John, N. S. Reed, J. H. Blanken and Roy C. Griffin.

COMMISSIONER SAYS DOTHAN ROAD AGAIN OPEN TO TRAFFIC

County Commissioner Stubbfield announced yesterday that the Dothan road which had been closed to traffic is again open. The dirt grade has been completed and all of the bridges have been put in. The road will be left open until the work of laying the surface and then only short stretches at a time will be closed.

The commissioners will decide next week as to what form of hard surfacing will be used on the Rising Star road and as soon as this question is settled work will begin and it is estimated that the work of laying the surface can be completed within four months.

The 1920 Bridge club will be entertained by Mrs. Minter Womack Thursday.

Mrs. Crandall (Gow) Tells How She Stopped Chicken Losses

"Last spring, I was killed all our baby chicks. With I'd known about Rat-Snap before. With just one large package we killed swarms of rats. They won't get this year's hatchlings. I'll bet." Rat-Snap is guaranteed safe for chickens, 35c. 50c. 75c.

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\$1,000,000 WORTH OF ROAD BONDS FOR THIS COUNTY SOLD

Special to The News.

EASTLAND, April 21.—That Fleming & Stitzer have disposed of the Eastland county road bonds at a satisfactory price, and work will immediately proceed on the Eastland county, \$4,500,000 good roads system is the statement of G. A. Davison, manager of the Fleming & Stitzer interest, given out this morning.

The big rock crusher on the Truly farm with a capacity of 1100 cubic yards of rock, will be started today, as will the smaller crusher at Ellison Springs, near Gorman, and at Rising Star. The crusher north of Ranger, has been in operation for some time.

The industrial track laid from the crusher on the Truly tract to the intersection of the Eastland-Carbon road on Burket boulevard will be connected up at once, and the work on that thoroughfare, which has been held up for some time because of the placing of light and telephone wires, will proceed at once.

Steel bridges for the crossing on the Leon, north, south and east of Eastland railway yards, it is said, and construction will start on these next week. Bridges which will span Colony Creek on the Eastland-Ranger road have been received in Ranger, and bridges for the Gorman-Desdemona road, and the Gorman-Carbon road are expected daily.

Fifty teams will start hauling rock for the one hundred and twenty-eight miles of roadway already graded next week, according to Mr. Davison, and this work will be pushed to completion.

One hundred and twenty concrete culverts in the county have been completed. This does not include some two hundred iron culverts.

Mr. Davison stated this morning, that while work had been held up to some extent, due to the financial stringency, and the consequent slow sale of bonds, that one million dollars worth of the bonds had been sold and the money received, and work would now proceed at a rapid rate, and that within thirty-six days the people would be agreeably surprised at the amount of work actually accomplished.

FOUR GALLONS BEER THREE GALLONS WINE IS LIMIT FOR SICK

Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—An arbitrary limit of four and seven-eighths gallons of beer and three gallons of wine as the maximum a physician may prescribe at one time has been set in the new prohibition regulations awaiting the approval of David Blair, the new commissioner of internal revenue.

In making the announcement today prohibition commissioner Kramer said that while under Attorney General Palmer's recent opinion the amount of beer or wine prescribed by a physician over a given period was not limited, it is believed the amount of the individual prescription could be limited to a reasonable maximum.

CLAY AND COAL CO. PROPOSITION TO BE DISCUSSED TONIGHT

At the meeting of the chamber of commerce tonight the industrial committee will present to the directors the proposition of the Cisco Clay & Coal company for the establishment of a clay products plant and a coal mine on the property which the company has at the northeastern edge of the city. This company is now in the process of organization and plans are being made to start work on the property in the very near future. Experts who have examined the property declare the clay deposits are the finest that they have ever seen. There is also a considerable deposit of a good quality of coal.

Another matter which will come up for discussion at the meeting tonight is the chamber of commerce co-operating with the school board in the collection of delinquent school taxes.

Secretary Richardson has several other interesting matters on the calendar for discussion tonight and he urges that there be a full representation present.

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SHALLOW WELL IS BROUGHT IN NORTH BAIRD

Word was received here this afternoon from Baird that a well drilled seven miles north of Baird on the Hughes farm by Baird capital was brought in yesterday afternoon at 400 feet flowing a steady stream of high grade oil at the rate of twenty-five barrels a day.

C. B. Holmes of Baird brought a sample of the oil to Cisco this afternoon and had it tested by the Humble company and it tested 40 specific gravity.

This well lays between Baird, Moran and Putnam and it opens up a considerable territory between the Hughes farm and Putnam, as this same shallow sand is found both at Moran and Putnam.

S. G. Roberts, the driller, says he feels sure the well will continue to get better. He looks for it to be doing forty to fifty barrels within the next week or ten days.

FIRE AT EASTLAND.

EASTLAND, April 26.—Fire supposed to have started from a cook stove, destroyed two houses and badly scorched the third on Ostrum street, in the western portion of the city. One of the houses was owned and occupied by R. L. Williams, and was insured for \$4,000. Williams' loss being about \$2,000 approximately, the other house destroyed belonging to Clyde Garrett, and was occupied by the Waco Casing crew.

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# Work on Brick Plant to Start Within a Month

## MACHINERY HAS BEEN BOUGHT AND IT IS EXPECTED PLANT WILL BE RUNNING BY JULY 1

CISCO FACTORY WILL BE ONE OF THE MOST MODERN IN COUNTRY—DEPOSITS OF CLAY ARE ADMITTED BY EXPERTS TO BE FINEST EVER FOUND IN AMERICA.

Orders for the machinery for the brick factory which is to be established by the Cisco Clay and Coal company on the tract of land just northeast of the city limits, have been placed and actual construction work will begin within the next thirty days, according to announcement which was made last night at the chamber of commerce by J. A. Colliton, J. A. Colliton & company of Fort Worth, the investment concern which has underwritten the proposition.

The company expects to have the plant in full operation by July 1 and arrangements are now being discussed for building the new Elks Temple out of Cisco brick. The trade mark of the company which will be stamped in every brick will be "Cisco."

Mr. Colliton stated last night that C. B. Pash of Fort Worth who is president of the company, is now in the east buying the machinery and equipment for the plant and that a construction gang would be put to work within the next month throwing up the grade and building the spur track from the Cisco Northeastern to the property. It will be necessary to build about a half a mile of track and this must be done first in order that trackage will be available for getting on the ground the heavy machinery which will be used in the construction of the plant. When this work is completed there will be constructed a small adobe type of kiln which will be used for burning the brick that will be necessary for the construction of the plant.

The company is going to install the tunnel type of continuous kiln which will turn out brick within 40 to 42 hours after the brick are placed in the kiln. The rectangular type of kiln such as used at Strawn requires twenty days for the burning of the brick.

Some of the most capable clay products men in America, Mr. Colliton states, are interested in this company and they are going to establish a plant that will be modern in every sense of the word. The plant will have a capacity of 80,000 brick a day.

Mr. Colliton stated that the deposits of clay which this company has on its Cisco property are conceded to be the finest that have ever been found in America. One of the big features of the deposits is the size of them and the fact that they contain no foreign matter in any way. The first deposit of clay which will be used for the making of paving brick starts ten feet below the surface and continues for forty feet. This has been tested out in different places and it has been found that the deposit covers practically all of the 160 acres. This deposit alone would be sufficient to keep a tremendous brick making plant in operation for 100 years. Just under this strata is a fine layer of potters clay 6 feet thick and under the potters clay there is a layer of coal 36 inches thick. The coal is underlain by a strata of fine brick clay which has been tested as far as 17 feet. It is not known how much deeper this strata goes.

The fact that the paving brick clay is very near the surface and can be removed easily and the further fact that the company will have cheap fuel and good transportation facilities makes this a very attractive manufacturing proposition.

The officers of the company are composed of C. B. Pash, of Fort Worth, president; T. B. Hoffner, of Fort Worth, treasurer; W. E. Smith, of Cisco, vice president; and Evan Jones of Cisco, secretary. Peter Swenson of Caddo and H. J. Robertson, managing director of the American Agricultural Chemical company together with the officers from the board of directors.

At the meeting of the chamber of commerce last night the following resolution was adopted upon motion of N. F. Payne, seconded by L. M. Brown:

Cisco, Texas, April 26, 1921. The Chamber of Commerce in regular meeting assembled.

Be it known that: Whereas, it has come to our knowledge that among the many natural resources of the territory surrounding the city of Cisco, is a very extensive deposit of high grade clay, suitable for the manufacture of brick, tile, terra cotta, and pottery, which mine or deposit is just outside of the city limits; and

Whereas, the City of Cisco is surrounded by a very extensive oil field, with gas wells and coal deposits so close and convenient that we have an abundant supply of cheap fuel for manufacturing this clay; as well as ample railroad facilities for marketing the products of these mineral deposits; and

Whereas, the following gentlemen, to-wit: T. B. Hoffner, W. E. Smith, Peter Swenson, C. B. Pash, Evan Jones and H. J. Robertson, Jr., have organized the Cisco Clay and Coal company for the purpose of manufacturing brick, tile, terra cotta, and pottery from this clay, and marketing the same:

Now Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the facts justify the belief that a factory, properly designed and managed, for the development of this Cisco Clay deposit, would be profitable to both owners of the factory and the people or city of Cisco; and while we have not gone into the details of the organization of the company, its plans and methods, we know all the directors of the company, except Mr. Robertson, and know them to be very capable, high class gentlemen of good business ability, and we heartily endorse the efforts of these gentlemen in developing one of our most valuable natural resources.

## ANNIVERSARY IS CELEBRATED BY ODD FELLOWS

(From Wednesday's Daily News.)

One of the most enjoyable entertainments which has been held by Cisco Odd Fellows in many months took place last night, when the local lodge was joined by delegations from Ranger, Breckenridge and other surrounding points in the celebration of the 102d anniversary of Odd Fellowship in America.

The banquet took place in the J. J. Winston building, at the corner of Main and Fifth streets, and was served by Joe Lipton. A total of 225 plates was served. The invocation was delivered by Rev. E. H. Holmes, Judge J. D. Barker, who presided as master of ceremonies, made a short talk on Odd Fellowship and its meaning. This was followed by a talk from Judge Ben Baldwin on the Rebekahs, the sister lodge of the Odd Fellows. Mrs. J. D. Alexander, one of the most prominent women in the state in Rebekah circles, also delivered a short and very interesting talk on the phase of Odd Fellowship in which the women participate.

Mrs. Alexander presented to W. M. Elser a beautiful emblem of the order as a gift from the lodge, in recognition of the fact that he has been a member of this lodge for 25 years and an Odd Fellow for thirty years. Gomer S. Williams was also the recipient of one of these beautiful emblems. His membership in the Cisco lodge covers a period of nearly 39 years.

Talks were made by Messrs. Shell, Hall and Cunningham of Ranger. The lodge at Ranger was represented by a delegation of thirty-five live wires. Several musical numbers on the program added greatly to the enjoyment of the occasion.

H. C. Wippen, who was chairman of the committee on arrangements for the celebration, stated this morning that it was the desire of the local lodge to sincerely thank the chamber of commerce and the citizens of Cisco for their cooperation in making the affair a success. He also expressed appreciation for the splendid help which the local Rebekahs rendered in the celebration.

The officers of Cisco Odd Fellows Lodge No. 251 are as follows: G. W. Brabbin, past grand; E. L. Laird, noble grand; J. D. Mann, vice grand; W. E. Finley, secretary; W. Clements, treasurer; H. C. Wippen, chaplain; H. C. Hollinger, warden; L. J. Preston, right supporter to the noble grand; Jeff Taylor, left supporter to the noble grand; J. B. Laird, right supporter to the vice grand; J. F. Farley, left supporter to the vice grand; J. B. Meira, inside guard; J. W. Sledge, outside guard; and C. Jones, captain of the degree team.

## DISTRICT OFFICERS OF TEXAS COMPANY ARE MOVED TO PARKS

The district office of the Texas company was moved yesterday from Cisco to Parks Camp on the Cisco & Northeastern, about twenty-five miles north of Cisco.

The scout department and the legal department will continue to maintain headquarters in Cisco. The accounting department and executive department for the field operations will in the future make headquarters at Parks. This move was made in order to get these various departments located closer to the field in which a good part of the company's operations are carried on at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Howard spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Howard's parents in Dallas.

Mrs. J. E. Pratt of Cooper, is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. W. Pratt. She will be here two weeks.

## CHURCH SCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO LOCATE HERE

(From Tuesday's Daily News.)

The city hospital matter took a decided turn at the meeting of city commissioners last night, when Commissioner Mayhew announced that a prominent church school was seeking a location in Cisco and would be willing to locate here if the city would give them the buildings on Britton hill and about 20 acres of land for a campus and athletic field.

This announcement was brought about after Dr. S. J. Vaughn, who is looking after the preliminary work of organization, presented an architect to the commission, who displayed plans and specifications for remodeling the administration building on the hill into a hospital. To prepare 18 rooms on the first floor and a ward, accommodating thirty patients, a ward for the negroes and Mexicans in the basement, remodeling the heating plant, renew the wiring, put on a new roof, the architect estimated would cost the city about \$29,000. The commissioners considered this entirely too much to spend on the present buildings, and then the question of erecting an entirely new building on the present site was discussed, after Mr. Mayhew had brought out the fact that it would be possible to get this church college located here, if the commission so desired.

Discussing the situation from the standpoint of what is best for the city, the commissioners decided that for the present it would be the best not to have the administration building remodeled for a hospital. It was estimated that to construct a modern, new building of ample size for a hospital the cost would be about \$50,000. This would provide a unit in a plan that could be extended as the occasion demanded, and it is believed would be a much better plan than remodeling the buildings on the site at present. In support of his suggestion, Mr. Mayhew pointed out that in the proposition of getting the church school located here that the city could proceed to build the hospital on the same site and instead of getting one institution Cisco would have two beneficial institutions at a very little additional cost.

Dr. Vaughn reported that he was meeting with the heartiest co-operation from the physicians and the public in general in his work of getting the hospital organization started. Mayor Williamson added to the hospital committee Judge H. L. McCrea, and instructed the committee to get further information in regard to the proposed church school located here and report back to the next regular meeting of the city commission. The committee was also instructed to have plans prepared for a new building and submit these at the next meeting of the commission, with an estimate as to the cost of such a building.

## SHERIFF MOLLEY RAIDS GARAGE AND SECURES BIG QUANTITY OF JAKE

EASTLAND, April 26. — Sheriff Sam Molley and deputies made a raid in the west part of Ranger and cornered about \$5,000 worth of "jake," wine of peppin and other liquors under the ban, which are supposed to be able to make the drunk come, and cause that "Oh Be Joyful" feeling at least for the time being. The stuff found totaling about \$5,000 in value.

The stuff was found in the back end of garage in boxes and barrels, and there was quite a quantity of it. No arrests have been made as yet in connection with the raid for it is pointed out there is a possibility of the owner having a permit, however the sheriff's department is practically sure this is not the case, and the confiscated liquor was brought to Eastland and placed in the county jail.

"Jake" is said to sell for \$1.00 an ounce, and figuring on this basis, the quantity found will run in value around \$5,000 approximately.

## PERSONAL MENTION

(From Sunday's Daily News.)

W. L. Mann, extensive oil operator of Fort Worth, is in Cisco this week. Max Elser of Cisco has been spending a day or two in the city meeting friends. Mr. Elser is a pioneer oil man of this section, having leased land in Callahan county years ago when it was little thought that oil would be discovered in this section of Texas. He has kept his rental paid and has this land still leased. He still believes that Callahan and Taylor counties will some day have oil wells.—Taylor County Times.

Miss Lola Pettit and W. C. Pettit were Carson Sunday. They were accompanied home by Miss Rianey Altman and Miss Stone.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Walker of Ranger, are in Cisco today, shopping.

Miss Helen Williamson will entertain Tuesday afternoon at the home of her sister, Mrs. Walter Bikes.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Adams and Mrs. R. C. Coleson, of Brownwood, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Williamson. Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Williamson are sisters.

Miss Edith Hall spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. C. C. Hendricks, in Parks.

Miss Violet Thoman has returned to Waco.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Caldwell are now residing at 505 W. Eighteenth street, in the Hodson residence.

up and acted upon. S. B. Loudder has been placed in charge of membership collections and it is the desire of the board that all memberships be paid in as promptly as possible, that there may be no delay in completing the work and turning the club house over to the member. Prompt action when Mr. Loudder calls on you will facilitate matters.

J. H. Burch, of Los Angeles, has returned to Cisco for a visit. He was a contractor here for a year and a half. Mr. Burch will leave in a few days for New Orleans, Florida and various points in the east and west before returning to Los Angeles. Mr. Burch reports building conditions in splendid shape in Los Angeles, and is delighted with the climate and good roads of that state.

Mrs. F. A. Blankenbecker has returned from a visit in Stamford.

Mr. and Mrs. Grade Calloway returned Saturday from their wedding trip to Galveston. Mrs. Calloway was formerly Miss Lillian Coffee.

Mrs. W. E. Spencer returned Sunday night from Dallas.

Otis Mahaffy spent Sunday in Cisco from the Humble camp, near Breckenridge.

Mrs. Hart of Caddo, is the guest of her son, E. T. Hart.

Misses Mary and Lillian Robertson spent yesterday in Cross Plains.

Warren McCanlies, of Morend, Ariz., is visiting his parents for a few days.

E. F. Weddington is remodeling his home on Sixth street.

Mrs. W. A. McCall had for her guests Sunday Mr. and Mrs. George Parker of Eastland. Mrs. J. W. Hartman accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Parker home for a visit.

Charlie Hartman, W. A. McCall, Opal Kenn and Jess Sessions left today for a week's fishing trip on the Cobald ranch, near Albany.

Mr. and Mrs. Rochelle Daniels have returned from a visit in Granbury.

R. Gray Powell visited his parents at Baird yesterday, driving through the country in his car. The roads are in pretty good shape. Mr. Powell says, but the great complaint in the section surrounding Baird is the lack of rain for

the wheat crop. The loss will be heavy, he says, although a rain within the next few days would help wonderfully. Very little cotton has been planted as yet, and if the wheat crops come on fairly well, the late cotton planted will be negligible in quantity.

J. M. Radford of Abilene, president of the Radford Grocery company of this city, spent Saturday in Cisco, on business and visiting old friends. This was Mr. Radford's first trip in two years. He visited Humboldt, the dam and residence sections and commented freely and favorably on the forward march evidenced since his former visit.

(From Monday's Daily News.)

Miss Jean Meyer of Eastland, is the week-end guest of Misses Marcia and Mary Eleanor Pettit.

Miss Violet Thoman of Denison, a student at Baylor university, is spending the week-end with Miss Maurine Manell.

Miss Maybelle McDaniel is in Abilene for a few days.

Mrs. Alex Spears, Mrs. J. D. Leslie and Mrs. R. H. Dorsey have returned from Hillsboro, where they attended Presbytery.

Mrs. A. A. Webster, who has been with her husband in Dallas, is at home for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Hardin have returned to their home in Brownwood, after visiting friends here.

Miss Helen Hall of Comanche, is the week-end guest of Mrs. William Reagan. Warren McCannies will entertain the Wednesday Bridge club.

Mrs. Oscar Cliett will entertain Friday afternoon in honor of the Merry Wives' "42" club.

C. P. Chastain, a prominent lawyer of Eastland, was in the city Saturday.

Rev. J. M. McMahan of Eastland, was a visitor in Cisco Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Hodson and children left Thursday for Houston, where they will reside.

J. T. McCarty is spending a few days in Dallas.

Prosper W. Campbell, of the Cisco Gas & Electric company, is spending a few days in Dallas, attending a meeting of company managers.

Arthur A. Webster, who has been very ill in a Dallas hospital, is now able to sit up and will very likely return to

his home in Cisco within the next few days.

Frank Pierce, of the city police force, though still on duty, is suffering from a severely strained back.

Ernest Pritchard, county treasurer of Eastland county, was in Cisco on business Saturday.

Misses Alma and Ruth Copeland are in Gorman, visiting Miss Kate Love.

Mrs. W. E. Chaney and little son returned Saturday from Goldthwaite, where they have been visiting.

Mrs. Ben F. Young, Mrs. Claude Menus and Mrs. C. F. Stephens visited in Abilene Wednesday.

Coyote hunting has become a popular sport with Cisco hunters, and hardly a night passes but six or eight local sportsmen visit the haunts of these artful dodgers. As a rule, Bruce Gregory and his pack of trained dogs lead the pursuit, which is usually fruitful and always lasts until the early hours of the morning. Badgers are plentiful this year, too, it is said.

Miss Lettie O'Flaherty, of Cisco, is the guest of Mrs. Louis Washburn, of Flint, Mich., who is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Rix.—Big Spring Herald.

The Owen planing mill has purchased an electric floor-surfacing machine. The machine is portable and will be used in the company's construction work.

Miss Mamie Sackett will arrive from Abilene today for an indefinite visit to Mrs. S. A. Newcomb.

Mrs. E. C. Smith left Saturday for a month's visit in Parsons, Kan., and Kansas City, Mo.

(From Tuesday's Daily News.)

Miss Mina Dingler of Amarillo, is in the city, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foster. She will be in the city for a month.

Mrs. Gomer A. Williams left today for Mineral Wells to visit relatives.

Mrs. W. B. Albright was in Cisco Tuesday from Parks on a shopping trip. B. L. Warden of Parks, was in the city yesterday.

D. S. Koonz, with the Cisco & North-eastern, has returned from a business trip to Fort Worth and Dallas.

Mark S. Stamps returned last night from a business trip to Fort Worth.

The fourth grade pupils of Misses Trigg and Leveridge, assisted by Miss

Allison, music director, will give a very interesting program Friday evening at 8 o'clock, at the city hall. This will be under the auspices of the First Industrial Arts club and the proceeds are to go to this club, to be used for school purposes. Admission will be ten and twenty-five cents. The program will be entertained by Miss Lucille Brown Thursday afternoon.

R. H. Dorsey is in Houston this week on business.

(From Wednesday's Daily News.)

Mrs. W. A. McCall spent Tuesday in Ranger.

Misses Alva and Elza Ramsey, Mrs. J. J. Butts, W. C. Shelton and Rev. C. G. Howard attended the workers' conference in Ranger Tuesday.

John O. Sue returned Tuesday from a business trip to Fort Worth.

Mr. and Mrs. Berry was a business visitor in Abilene yesterday.

J. J. Butts is back from a trip to Austin.

Miss Cora Nixon of Waco, spent Tuesday with Miss Reba Kimbrough.

John Marks, with the Texas company, has returned from a trip to Eldorado, Ark.

Mrs. J. H. Quick returned this morning from a visit to relatives in Abilene.

Miss Reba Kimbrough and C. C. Kimbrough are visiting in Eastland today.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vernon are spending Wednesday and Thursday in Dallas.

Guy J. Ward leaves tomorrow for Abilene on a business trip.

Stoker-O'Brien.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. O'Brien have announced the marriage of their daughter, Bessie, to Mr. Haddon Stoker, Sunday, April 24. The wedding was solemnized at the home of the bride's parents, at 4 p. m., by Rev. A. J. Morgan, Baptist minister of Breckenridge.

The bride was charming in a white brocaded satin and her traveling suit was of dark blue material, with harmonizing accessories. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. O'Brien, well-known Cisco people and old residents of this city.

Mr. Stoker is a prominent business man of Breckenridge. Mr. and Mrs. Stoker motored to Breckenridge immediately after the wedding, to make that place their home.



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