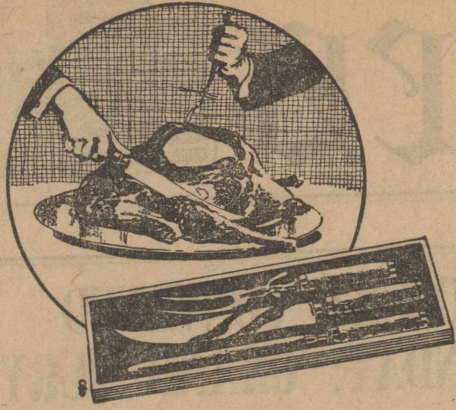


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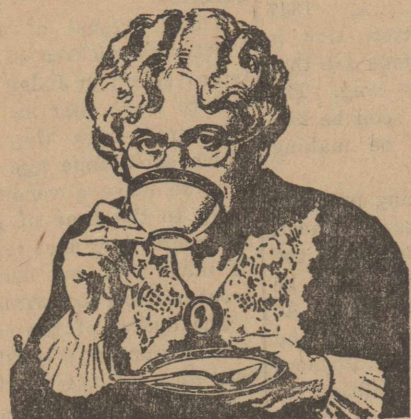


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GOVERNOR ASKS TECH. DIRECTOR TO RESIGN; HE REFUSES.

Governor Miriam A. Ferguson asked the resignation of Amon G. Carter as President of the Board of Directors of the Texas Technological College. The resignation was asked for in a letter to Mr. Carter Monday and which was printed in Texas dailies Tuesday.

In order that the people may be better enabled to understand the situation, we are reproducing the letters of both the Governor and Mr. Carter.

The letter assures the task is unpleasant to the governor and states that she is informed that in December last year Carter "fitted up a building owner or controlled by you (perhaps a garage building) in the old fashioned barroom way, providing a bar with the foot rail and sawdust on the floor and behind the bar you had a man dressed in the old fashioned bartender style, for the oil men's association in Fort Worth."

"To this place I am informed you invited some 200 or 300 guests and to those who came, you dispensed drinks that were to say the least stimulating and that you caused to be given away souvenir canes in which there is a hidden vial some thirty inches in length that contained approximately one pint of beverage," the letter reads. "I have one of the canes in my possession which I am reliably informed came from your place. I am also informed that at said reception given by you many became stimulated and others were under the influence of an invigorating decoction and that you in company with your guests participated in the consumption of the beverage."

Amon G. Carter is president of the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. At the Texas A. & M. College Texas University football game Thanksgiving day, he is reported to have yelled, "Hurrah for Texas Aggies and Dan Moody."

The governor's letter continued: "You of course remember being at College Station on Thanksgiving day of last week on the occasion of the annual football contest between the A. & M. college and the University. If you do not remember, I can inform you that it was an imposing meeting of some 25,000 people from all parts of the state and there were thousands of young boys and girls, students and friends of both these great institutions, the pride of our state.

Mentions Cheering
"I see from the papers that you admit that many times you cheered for Hon. Dan Moody and the A. & M. Team. I can certify that you are correct in this statement as you were right behind the box that I was occupying and on two occasions when you gave your vociferous exclamations, you were only a few feet from me. I believe your statement when you say in the papers that you were not aware of my presence and that you meant no personal discourtesy. Your friends who knew you best, assure me (and I believe them) that when you are in a normal condition you are a courteous gentleman to the manner born and I attribute your seeming affront to your unusual condition and the influence under which you were laboring at the time. In your state it was but natural for you to have been unable to distinguish between a colonel on my staff, dressed khaki, yellow, and a town policeman, dressed in blue, who, under orders from the local authorities ejected you from the grounds in the interest of public peace. No member of my staff laid hands on you as suggested by you in the public press. Personally, I gladly forget any apparent discourtesy to me and from my own observation I know you were not responsible at the time. But your actions involve a great principle and a matter of sound public policy which I cannot overlook.

Mentions Law
"We have on the statute books a law against the unlawful sale, transportation, or possession of intoxicating liquors. Also there is a law against intoxication in public places. "It will not be denied that the foundation of our civilization is our educational institutions. In and around these temples of knowledge edge from the country school to the college and the University we seek to teach the rising generation the virtue of morality, sobriety and correct living. It is here that the proper precepts and example is set or should be set before the young boys and girls that will aid them to become good and intelligent citizens. These simple truths are so self evident that to state them is to prove them.

"If those in charge of the management and direction of our educational institutions shall by their personal deportment display those vices that are repugnant to the ideal of strict morality or sobriety, then such result to the students in these institutions cannot be expected. If, as head of the board of the West Texas Technological college, you reserve to yourself the right to appear in public in

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LEE REFUSES PLACE ON COMMISSION

R. Q. Lee, President of the West Texas Chamber of Commerce, and who had been offered a position as State Highway Commissioner, refused to accept late Monday afternoon. Mr. Lee stated that his obligation to the West Texas Chamber of Commerce and his railroad duties would demand all of his time.

Mr. Lee is considered one of the able men of this state and his unimpeachable character makes his service very much in demand. Many of his friends have been urging him to make the race for Governor of Texas in the near future. He may do this a few years later, but there is no possibility of getting him to do so now. He would make us a good Governor and would ably discharge the business of our state.

A NEW PUBLICATION

We have on our desk a copy of the Roaring Springs News, Volume No. 1, Copy No. 1. This newsy little sheet is edited by G. F. Stephens who has been closely associated with the Roaring Springs Townsite Company for many years. His two daughters, Misses Maudie and Willie Stephens are

the publishers, and from the amount of business, good news and make-up it looks like they mean business in the newspaper line for that town.

We formerly had that field and desire to say that Roaring Springs is a live little place.

SECOND LYCEUM NUMBER A GOOD ONE

We feel that we missed a great treat Monday evening by not being able to attend the second number of the Lyceum course which was given at the High School auditorium. People who were present say that truly it was a great entertainment.

The evening was made up of a miscellaneous program consisting of readings, impersonations, etc. Miss Waterman, who made the entire rendition for the evening, was considered great by her audience.

The Ladies of the First Christian Church have charge of Lyceum this year, and they are giving the people a line of real entertainments. Watch for the announcement of the next number and be there.

D. S. Cargile and two daughters, Misses Euphia Maye and Hauneara, of Roaring Springs, were in our city Wednesday. Mr. Cargile is a land owner in this country.

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the condition you were in at College Station, on Thanksgiving day, then every student who saw you could justify him or herself for doing the same thing. If a student at Tech. college should appear on the Lubbock campus as you appeared in College Station, the faculty would promptly expel such student from the college and yet in such case the student could plead your case and the ex-

ample and the precedent set by you in justification. If the heads of our institution cannot practice and preach sobriety then our hopes for educated citizenship are vain and useless."

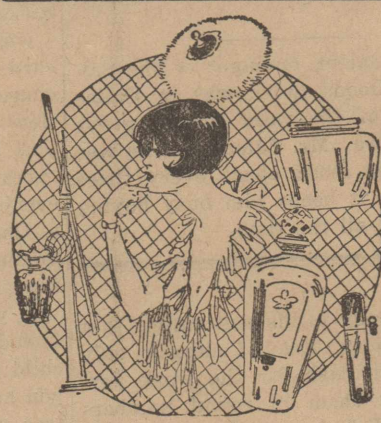
"It is with deep regret that I protest against your further occupying a place on the West Texas Technological board. I plead for a better example for our boys and girls. You have set a standard that cannot be tolerated. For the good of the public service I emphatically affirm that you should send me your resignation.

"Miriam A. Ferguson, governor of Texas."

Mr. Carter's Letter

"Gov. Miriam A. Ferguson, Austin, Texas. Dear Governor: The charges contained in your letter published in the press of the State asking for my resignation as a member of the board of directors of the Texas Technological College, are without justification. My appointment was made by Gov. Neff for four years, two of

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WHAT'S DOING IN WEST TEXAS
West Tex. C. of C.

More than \$100,000 in new buildings are immediately planned for Albany, including the enlarged Russ-Webb garage, to one of the finest appointed in the Oil District, and the new addition to the Presbyterian Church.

Howard Payne College, one of the largest denominational institutions in the Southwest, is now raising a \$250,000 endowment fund. Citizens of Brownwood have already subscribed \$90,000 of the amount.

According to information secured by the Quana Tribune-Chief shipped nearly 20,000 pounds of dressed turkeys to the New York market in three days just prior to Thanksgiving. One man in Quana employed by a produce house killed for shipment 1054 turkeys in one day and received in cash for his work \$54.

The annual Comanche County poultry show will be held at Comanche next week. 30,000 birds are expected to be on display. Large cash prizes have been given by Comanche citizens and poultry experts.

100,000 acres of wheat have so far been planted in Hale County according to estimates of the Harvest Queen Mills at Plainview. This represents an increase of 10 per cent over last year's plantings.

In order to stimulate dairying in South Plains, 3,000 dairy cows of standard average milk qualities will be imported into this region under the auspices of the Plainview Chamber of Commerce.

So crowded are Lubbock schools that a bond issue is proposed for \$1,700,000 to build new structures and \$130,000 for additions and repairs to present structures. The enrollment in the Lubbock schools recently passed the 3,600 mark.

Notwithstanding 30 new homes have recently been constructed at Tahoka. There is an acute house shortage and demand for many new residences.

The West Texas Poultry Show, J. R. Masterson, manager, plans to make the show the largest held in the Southwest. January 7-8-9 and are the date selected for the show.

The postal receipts of Haskell for the month of October 1925 were \$1,635.27 compared with \$1,073.46 the same month in 1924, making a net gain of 52 per cent.

Fifteen Directors for Brownwood Chamber of Commerce for the year 1926 have been elected. H. G. Lucas, Secretary announced a meeting of the old and new board to discuss the date for the annual membership banquet and meeting.

More than 5000 pounds of dressed turkeys have been shipped to the Northern markets from Memphis. Also 20,000 pounds live turkeys have been shipped. So far the turkey crop has brought the farmers \$17,500 this season.

W. M. Cogdell, owner of the Cordova Hotel at Hereford, has just let

contract for the erection of a \$35,000 addition and work will begin immediately. The addition will cover a space of 75 by 34 feet and is to be two stories high. The building will be steam heated and modern in every respect. This will greatly assist in solving Hereford's hotel problems.

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W. S. Smiley, one of the progressive farmers of Duncan Flat, was transacting business in our city Monday.

Mr. Lambert, of Wichita community was looking after business affairs here Tuesday.

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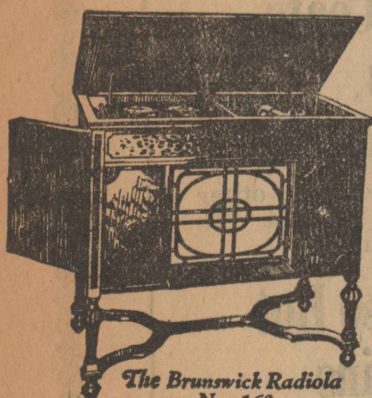
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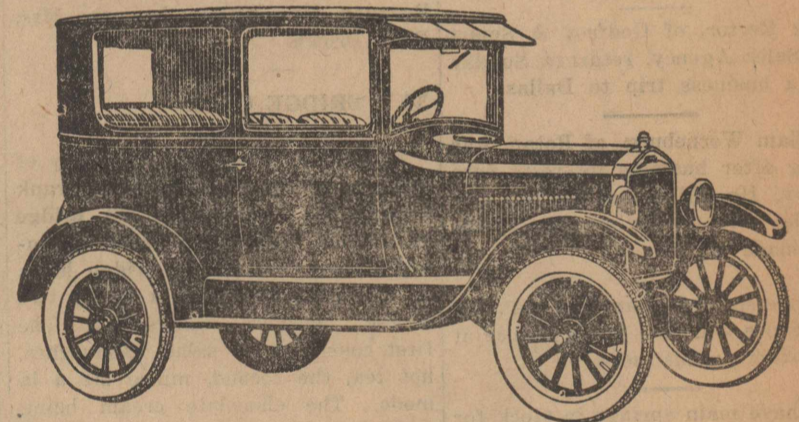
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LOCALS

It is just three weeks more until Christmas.

W. E. Gates, of Afton, was transacting business in our city Monday.

Visit our \$ dollar \$ table.—The Treasure Chest.

Buy your Xmas goods at the Spur Drug Store and get a chance at the \$100 diamond ring.

Troy Morris, who has been with the Falls Banner, has accepted a position with the Texas Spur. Mr. Morris is an expert newspaper man and knows the business throughout.

A box of nice stationery beautifully printed or embossed makes a nice Christmas present for your friend. See our line of samples.

Jim Derr and father, S. Derr, of McAadoo, were transacting business here Monday.

H. T. Garner, one of the pioneer citizens of our town, is still enjoying the best of health and was around this week meeting his many friends.

W. J. Driggers, of Gilpin, was greeting friends and transacting business in our city Saturday.

Mrs. Chas. Perrin, of Dickens, was doing some shopping in our city Saturday.

Misses Ruby Love and Mirel Williams spent a very enjoyable evening kodaking in Afton country last Sunday a week ago.

Willie Eldridge, of McAadoo, was transacting business with our merchants Wednesday.

Visit our \$ dollar \$ table.—The Treasure Chest.

J. N. Lawson, of Afton, was looking after business affairs here on Tuesday.

R. B. Bryant, manager of Bryant-Link Company's store at Stamford, is here this week looking over the business of the local store.

Mrs. L. C. King, of Bryant-Link Company, left Tuesday for Abilene where she will spend a few days visiting.

You get a chance at eighty five pounds of candy and hundred dollar diamond ring when you trade at the Spur Drug Store.

J. B. Richbourg and daughter, Miss Willie, and Mrs. G. G. Sharp were in Anson Sunday visiting Mr. Tharp who came up from Abilene.

Jack Rector, of Godfrey & Smart Ford Sales Agency, returned Sunday from a business trip to Dallas.

William Werneburg, of Rotan, was looking after business interests here Monday. He will be back in our city Saturday with a few samples of his hand made saddles.

A dime spent for candy at the Spur Drug Store will give you a chance at eighty five pounds more.

We have main springs in stock for all makes of phonographs. See me for your Xmas Trees.—Leon Love 553p

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford B. Jones were visiting friends in Lubbock Sunday.

R. L. Gibson, Superintendent of Croton School, went to Dallas Friday to attend a day of the State Teachers' Association. He returned Sunday to take up his work in his school Monday, and we vouchsafe that he will be a much better teacher by having been at the State Association.

Do your Xmas shopping at the Spur Drug Store, and the diamond ring may be yours.

FOR SALE—8 head of good mules.—John S. Ferguson, Roaring Springs, Texas. 55 1tc

FOR SALE—15000 bundles of good feed. See J. P. Middleton, Spur 55tn

Frank Herrick, of Breckenridge, was a guest in our city the first of the week. Being a printer he naturally looked us up and we enjoyed quite a nice little visit from him.

Miss Willie Stephens, of Roaring Springs, has been assisting with work on the Times yesterday and today.

Rev I. A. Smith and daughter, Miss Lea, left Wednesday for Hereford where they were called on account of the death of a friend.

Miss Adelaide Senning, Loraine Ledford were in Lubbock Sunday. They drove as far as Meadow where their friend, Mrs. Copeland returned to her home.

Democrat at Breckenridge, was in our city Monday looking our town over and making new friends. Mr. Porter has been associated with the press work of the state a great deal, and has placed many progressive plans before different commercial organizations.

FOR SALE—One Nash Touring car with Rex Closure Balloons tires; must be sold. Terms if wanted.—Dickens Co. Times.

Miss Gunn of near Dickens, was operated on last week and is doing nicely.

Visit our \$ dollar \$ table.—The Treasure Chest.

ENTRE NOUS CLUB—

The pretty new home of John was a scene of a pretty party when on Thursday evening Mrs. John L. King was hostess to her Club, the Entre Nous, with their husbands. Thanksgiving decorations were used throughout the party. Lovely Thanksgiving Tallies were passed to the thirty two guests for the "42" hour. At the close of which a lovely plate of salad, hot tea, sandwiches, olives, cake, with a turkey as plate favor was served. Those enjoying Mr. and Mrs. King's hospitality were Messers and Mesdames Jack Rector, W. D. Wilson, F. W. Jennings, E. C. Edmonds, Robb Davis, Willis King, Sam Nobblett of Eastland, Hill Perry, Roy L. Harkey, Bill Putman, Dan H. Zachry, Malcolm H. Brannen, Mesdames J. M. Foster, W. H. Putman, Goss D. Cobb, of Albany, Frank Laverty, Kate Senning, Pauline Clemmons, B. F. Hale.

JOI DE VOI CLUB—

Mrs. C. L. Love was a delightful hostess to the Joi de Voi Club and guests on Wednesday evening. Her home was made more beautiful with Christmas decorations of holly and poinsettias. At bridge, Mrs. Dan H. Zachry made high score, receiving a pair of exquisite chiffon hose. Mrs. E. A. Russell made high score for the guests, an attractively decorated brush holder. Mrs. J. E. Hall received cutprize, beautiful linen handkerchiefs; and Miss Hickman won consolation, soap cubes molded as dice. Perfume in unique dice holders adorned the refreshment plates. Those who enjoyed the pleasant social hour were: Mrs. E. A. Russell, Mrs. Ruby Pierce, Miss Hickman, Miss Willie Lee Gilbert, Miss Willie Richbourg, Mrs. Weldon Grimes, Miss Mildred Williams, Misses Dorothy and Ruby Love, Mrs. Roy Russell, Mrs. Cecil Fox, Mrs. Dan H. Zachry, Mrs. Faust Collier, Mrs. J. E. Hall, Mrs. Roy Harkey, Mrs. Tracy Gorham, Mrs. Wm. Manning, Mrs. Malcolm H. Brannen, Mrs. Murray Lea, and Mrs. Elmo Brown.

XXV BRIDGE CLUB—

Unusually lovely was the party of Tuesday afternoon when Mrs. Frank Laverty was hostess to her bridge club. Four tables were most charmingly arranged for the bridge hour. At the close of which a lovely two course luncheon was served. The first consisting of salad, sandwiches, hot tea, the second, mince pie a la mode. The chocolate cream being molded in the shape of turkeys. Incense burners were used as plate favors. Those enjoying Mrs. Laverty's hospitality were Mesdames C. L. Love, F. W. Jennings, W. D. Wilson, C. B. Jones, Kate Senning, Edgar McGee, Bill Putman, W. J. Alger, Nellie Davis, J. B. Reed, R. E. Dickson, Hill Perry, C. A. Love, E. C. Edmonds, Floyd Barnett.

HEADLIGHT LAW

The Texas Automobile Headlight Law requires that every motorist at the time of registration, present to the Tax Collector a headlight certificate which has been issued by a test station within thirty days of date of registration. If the car or truck to be registered is not equipped with headlamps, the registrant will be permitted to make affidavit to that effect and this affidavit will take the place of a headlight certificate. Early testing and registration will help the test stations and Tax Collector, and will save time for the motorist.

Motorists cannot obtain a headlight certificate for registration purposes on a re-test. The re-test provision of the law permits a retest at any time during the year, but the certificate presented for registration must be "test" certificate and must be paid for. In other words, headlamps are "tested" at the beginning of each year for registration purposes, and at this time the regular yearly fee of twenty five cents must be paid. At any time during the year following, a re-test may be had free of charge until the next registration period begins.

After the coming pre-registration tests, there will not be another set test until the 1927 registration period begins. Throughout the year, how-

on the headlighting conditions in the various parts of the State. Enforcement work is in the hands of local officials, and motorists are urged to co-operate with them in reporting bad headlighting conditions. There is no doubt that compliance with the Headlight Law will mean a great saving of property and human lives.

HOW TO WIN THE PRIZES—

Tune in on 340.7 meters and listen to KFAB's Birthday program starting at 8:30 p. m. and continuing through until 4:00 a. m. tonight.

Acknowledge the party by telegram or long distance call, during the program. Your acknowledgement makes you eligible for all prizes allotted to each state in U. S. and each province in Canada.

There are twenty special Western Union telegraph wires installed to take care of your responses.

This is the first time in the history of the automobile industry that such a line of prizes have been awarded by any company by radio. It is open to everybody.

NEBRASKA BUICK COMPANY OFFERS PRIZES

The first birthday of the KFAB broadcasting station of the Nebraska Buick Automobile Company is being celebrated tonight with a program offering some great prizes. The prizes are donated by the Lincoln manufacturers, distributors and retailers.

The first prize that is being offered is a 1926 Standard Buick, 2-door Sedan. Then there are ten 1926 Model Radio receiving sets, gasoline farm power plants, \$100 bill of fancy groceries, auto horns, batteries, spot lights, bumpers and other prizes offered.

SOME COTTON MARKET NEWS

Germany reports spinners and importers buying lightly on account of shortage of capital hampering the weaving mills.

Japan reports cotton consumption maintained at record high level.

Southern markets report merchants buying in fair volume against odd commitments, but taking on very little new business. Slight easing of

basis in some quarters with sales below production. Mill margins slightly reduced but mill activities increasing on old orders.

Garside of the Merchants National Bank of Boston wires: "England reports spinners and exporters buying cotton lightly. Yarn and cloth trade poor, sales below production and margins slightly reduced. France reports trade demoralized by the financial crisis, and spinners and importers buying lightly."

From the above outlook it seems that trading in cotton will not be very active for the next few weeks.

New York market closed at 19.78-80 on January futures. New Orleans market closed at 19.48-51, according to telegraphic reports yesterday.

July wheat closed at 1.48 1-2 and corn closed at .84 3-4, Thursday markets.

To continue the work of creating new plants and flowers, Stanford University proposes to take over Luther Burbank's experimental farm.

Though it is claimed that man has been on the earth 500,000 years, half his knowledge and control of nature has come within the last hundred years.

Harvard in 1642 was the scene of the first commencement exercises held in North America.

There was little improvement in Western Europe's agriculture from the fall of the Roman Empire to the beginning of the nineteenth century.

Peter the Great founded the Russian Academy of Science at what is called Leningrad, in 1725.

It is estimated that the 11,000 tenants in the New York Equitable building could get out in twenty minutes.

The ear of the katydid is situated in the tibia of the front leg.

Copper poisons have been found in ten per cent of the "bootleg" liquors that have been analyzed in Massachusetts.

KNOWING HOW

The Canary Bird is known for its fine quality voice, its comparison with the Elephant who is much larger and whos' voice is loud, but rather of the abrupt tone applies to some extent in merchandising, as would what a newspaper might say concerning the sale of an item and its merits when his intellect is directed entirely in other matters.

Merchandise of this day and age is sold on its own merits. When backed by the quality of the seller, there is a time when an item may go to the bad in wear. It may be the fault of the wearer or it may be that of the seller. The merchant who has the interest of the country at stake and feels that he is a unit of the section will take care of differences if of his fault. This we do with our Guarantee of moneys worth on each and every purchase. It is our pleasure to treat people with respect, and to maintain the loyalty of our friends and patrons.

We have a SALE in effect at this time. This is not a HOT proposition, but one in which we find patrons of the best families in this section patronizing freely.

This convinces us that we are offering lines that are attractive in price, and our know reputation for carrying the nifties lines in this section naturally centers the trade to us for high class wearables. We are doing our best at this time to clear our stocks of seasonable merchandise, and we are placing our lines in reach of the present purse which is running a little light this season caused by the results of nature, one in which we have no domination over.

We are here to serve our friends, and we want you to realize that we are with you in trying to tide the misfortune of the season.

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COTTON FUTURES— VALUE OF FUTURE MARKET

By C. Burton

Few cotton raisers realize the value of the future cotton market. It has been definitely proven that if it were not for active future trading in cotton futures the market would be lifeless and consequently entirely controlled by the spinners and large spot buyers. The spot business could not function in a normal way if future trading was prohibited. Contrary to what the majority believe, the future market makes it possible to avoid speculation, rather than being a means of outright speculation. When well governed buying institution makes a purchase of spot cotton the market price is insured by placing a "hedge" in the future market, thus avoiding speculation. The spinner does not only "hedge" his raw cotton purchases, but prices are fixed through the future markets on future sales of his finished product.

The following extract from the recent writing of a well known future broker of New Orleans explains the benefit of the future market to the farmer.

"Because of the present crop prospects and prospective consumptive requirements for the season being so evenly matched, the one figuring about as large as the other, we are not disposed to recommend through our silence be at the expense of business, and, consequently, a loss to ourselves, but if the present crop situation should change materially in the future, we would not hesitate to give a definite expression of opinion as to the probable course of the market.

The Cotton Future Market affords price insurance in that if a person, owner, say of 100 bales of raw cotton desires to hedge his cotton with futures, he has the opportunity to do so at little expense, a commission of about \$25. If, after hedging his 100 bales, the market declines 2 cents per pound, or \$10 per bale, equal to \$1,000 on 100 bales, the loss sustained on his raw cotton would be offset by the profit derived on the hedge sale of 100 of futures. Moreover, when a person has his cotton hedged with futures, he can generally make better arrangements with banks when he wants to borrow money on his cotton; the bank is better secured and is willing to loan more cash than it would if the cotton was not hedged."

The writer unsuccessfully endeavored to get this hedging plan into operation during July when future prices ranged around 25 cents. If the plan had been followed (and it is a shame that it was not), the County of Dickens would have been better off by \$30 per bale on all cotton hedged. Because it was looked upon as speculation this plan was not approved, but was it not greater speculation to begin a crop at 25 cents per pound and gather it at 17 to 20 cents? Why does insurance appeal to the intelligent? It is to guard against future losses, either of life or property, and yet it is not called speculation. Why, then, is the insurance of cotton prices speculation?

WHERE IS HE?

Where is the gentleman who used to give the neighbors the horrors by figuring out how soon the raw material of the world would be exhausted? The last time we heard of him, three timber of the world was almost gone! Coal was very soon to follow it in disappearance. Oil was to vanish. Fishing was to cease because the fishes were few. Humanity had used up everything, and universal deprivation, need and suffering were swiftly to ensue.

The gentleman of the grim prognostications did well to vanish, for all his prophecies have failed, even before the set time. The coal of the world is a drug on the market and is becoming less necessary than ever before; it is actually being set aside by water and oil. The oil of the world is just being tapped, and the promises is that it too may give way in time to agriculturally produced engine fuel. Fishing has been practically recreated by the newer methods. As to lumber, it is being subordinated to substitutes on every hand, metal, cement, composition. The only thing left for the prophets of gloom to work on is the cooling of the sun (a former famous honor) which is now becoming less and less even as a speculation.

Health unbounded awaited mankind's awakening to realization of its work on earth, and material for more wealth than ever nature stored awaits his patient manipulation of the elements out of which the raw material is made. There is no poverty except in man himself, and that is almost instantly curable by the enlistment of his intelligence in co-operation with nature.

When Magellan circumnavigated the globe his command was, "Follow the flagship and ask no questions."

In Africa the white ant is pounded into a paste and is considered a food delicacy.

How Butter Fat in Milk Is Broken Up

Do you know what the word homogenization means?

Ninety-eight out of 100 housewives to whom the question recently was put admitted they couldn't answer. Can you?

But here it is explained by Miss Meta H. Given, food authority doing research work at the University of Chicago.

"Homogenization," says Miss Given, "is the name of the process which breaks up butter fat in evaporated milk into tiny particles so they blend evenly with the solids. Homogenization causes the butter fat globules to adhere to the albumin and the casein of the milk. In the process, milk is forced through countless numbers of openings at a pressure of around 3,500 pounds.

"In addition to preventing a cream and skim milk line, this breaking up of fat contributes to smoothness and perfect blending of foods such as cream sauces, soups, ice cream and in baked products.

"It also has a digestive advantage for those who have difficulty in assimilating milk. Many pediatricians recommend evaporated milk as a baby food, although, like other substitutes for the natural supply, it should not be considered as a food complete in itself. Addition of orange or tomato juice, barley water or lime water are important in providing adequate diet for the infant.

"All authorities recognize that normal mother's milk is the best food for infants, but this natural milk is frequently inadequate in quality and quantity. Scientists say cow's milk is the best substitute. But cow's milk must be modified and supplemented with other foods. The fat in mother's milk is in homogeneous suspension and being flocculent forms small curds in the stomach, but the fat in cow's milk is in relatively large globules, forms large tough curds in the stomach and is much harder to digest. In evaporated milk the fat is broken up by homogenization and the curds softened until in size and digestibility they resemble natural infant food."



Fat Globules in Raw Milk.

Globules After Homogenization.

Globules after homogenization are much smaller and more uniform in size, allowing for easier digestion.

Nourishing Drink for Children



BABIES and children, the same as adults, grow weary of being fed the same food in the same way each day. It is true that most children take naturally to milk, but that does not mean that they must be fed it ad nauseam. On the contrary, that is the very thing to be avoided.

Pediatricians advise consumption by children of a quart of milk a day in one form or another. This does not mean skim milk, but whole milk, for the skimmed product is lacking both in butter fat and the essential food element known as vitamin A, which is found in butter fat. Many mothers do not appreciate that removal of cream from the top of a bottle of milk results in skim milk.

In evaporated milk, a product recommended by many leading doctors for the use of infants and children and which is simply pure cow's milk sterilized in cans and with sixty per cent of the water removed, there is no cream line. The milk in the top of a can is the same as it is in the bottom of the container. This results from a process called homogenization, in which the fat globules in the milk are broken up into such microscopic bits that they remain in homogeneous suspension. Every drop of homogenized milk has a buttery taste because it contains butter fat. For this reason, in evaporated milk, there is none of the flat taste one finds in drinking from the bottom of a bottle of market milk.

In order to avoid feeding the baby or child plain milk three or four times a day, many authorities recommend the use of a mixture of fruit juice and milk, a highly palatable and refreshing drink.

Following is a recipe worked out by experts for an orange-milk drink: Mix in a fruit jar 1/2 of a cupful of orange juice, 1/4 of a cupful of evaporated milk, three teaspoonfuls of sugar, 1/2 teaspoonful of lemon juice and a few grains of salt. Shake well before serving.

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What will they be in THE NEXT WAR?

We cannot imagine war as it will be when next it breaks out. But we ought at least to PREPARE for it. We ought coldly to figure it out.

The unfortunate Japanese that passed through the recent terrible earthquake in Tokio could not imagine in advance. We all read of the horrors, the fires, the lack of water, the frightening effects of the shaking ground, the thousands dead.

All that was mere child's play compared to an airplane attack on a great city as it will be in the next war.

Airplanes, high in air, out of range of our anti-aircraft guns, made perfectly safe by high speed, will fly over our trivial popguns that we call "coast defense guns," flying straight to the great cities to be attacked.

On the West coast the East coast, the lake cities, attack would be easy and wide open.

A half dozen holdup men walking into a grocery store hold the owner at their mercy no more completely than enemy airplanes would have the great cities of this country at their mercy, if they chose to make an attack.

Freight ships would bring the aircraft within easy striking distance of our coast, the enemy nation having made up its mind in advance that on a certain hour of a certain day it would declare war.

It would be informed by radio when all was ready. Then war would be declared, and less than an hour later war would begin in the air, above the chosen city or cities.

Does anybody suggest that our navy, lumbering steel battleships, etc.,

would be of any use in the new kind of war?

Submarines would be of use, of course and other boats to attack any ships bringing soldiers to fight in America. But no nation would be foolish enough to send soldiers or troops against this continent.

Flying machines sent against this nation would come in great freight ships, and they would not have big signs painted on their sides, saying, "We are bringing airships to attack you."

They would come as ordinary freight ships, set free their flying machines in the night, and our battleships could not come ashore or go up in the air to attack them.

As for our army, a little collection of men, creeping along the ground, shouldering arms, right facing and left facing, they would have about as much chance and be about as useful in the next war as a collection of white rabbits against a flock of eagles.

The best and the wisest thing that the ARMY could do in such a war would be to go down in the cellar and stay there until the war's end, or wade out into the water and sit down "up to their necks." You can't use turtles or ground squirrels to fight eagles.

We must meet a war in the air with airships, FIGHTING IN THE AIR.

And it should be remembered, and every intelligent American will understand, how different the new war would be from all old wars and how extremely difficult will be defenses against air attacks.

Every boy brought up on an American farm has seen kingbirds drive off a marauding crow. The kingbird, smaller, lighter, swifter, turning quickly, flies above the crow, pecking at its eyes and drives the black giant cawing out of sight.

To meet attacking planes coming to bomb American cities, and to meet the swift war planes, it would be necessary to have at least ten planes for one attacking, but fifty planes for one of the attacking planes.

The blows of the enemy would be delivered without warning. Airships would come flying with terrible speed, drop their deadly burden of high explosives, or deadly gases, then fly out to sea to the "mother ship" or fly across our Canadian border to land safely and be "interned for the duration of the war," free from all danger, in a neutral country.

It is hard to imagine anything that we have not yet actually experienced. If we could bring over one, or a dozen of the mothers that lived in Hull, England, during the World War; if we could take them before Congress and let them talk or take them before the collection of interesting judges trying Colonel Mitchell and let them talk, that might do some good.

There were very few bombs dropped on English soil all together during the war. In half an hour in a new air war there would be more bombs dropped on New York City, San Francisco or Seattle than were dropped in the whole war. Yet in England, in the manufacturing city of Hull, for instance, when the whirr, the dreadful alarming sound of a Zeppelin, was heard, there was absolute panic. The cities were never gassed from the air, mind you. A few bombs were dropped and it was over. The slow sailing, unwieldy Zeppelin, easily hit by anti-aircraft guns, could not do much. Yet they came and did what little they could, and they went away again, quite safe.

And when that noise was heard the mothers of Hull, in the cold winter weather, frightened, bewildered, gathered their children together, ran out of the towns and into the fields and huddled there in the damp all through the night.

They felt that out in the fields they were only a small target. The enemy airship would not notice them or hurt them. They dared not remain

in the cities.

Many a death followed exposure of children to the night air and the bitter cold in that way. There was no preparation, no careful, warm dressing to meet conditions.

Imagine an airplane night attack on a city like New York for six millions of people. Bombs dropping in Wall Street, on the Treasury, on the great buildings that tower above the Battery would cause some thinking on the part of high finance and make it wish that it had used its government MORE INTELLIGENTLY for protection.

But the real harm would be done in the crowded cities, in the great rows of apartment houses along Fifth avenue and Park avenue, the thickly settled districts where millions live in Brooklyn, Bronx, Queens.

Heavy gases clinging to the surface would fill the streets, suffocating the people as they ran out.

The hideous noise of the airplanes overhead would demoralize the population. Water mains would be cut, electric wires destroyed, light cut off. Innumerable fires would be started.

The elevated and surface railroads would be deserted by their crews. They could not be used for escape

into the country. The ferry boats would be jammed, the subways attacked. Terror, panic and agony would be everywhere.

WE CAN'T IMAGINE IT. And those utterly incapable of thought will simply say "nonsense" and go about their business.

But if the day ever comes, what a reckoning for those that have neglected their duty and left their country unprepared!

This country needs an adequate flying fleet more than it needs anything else, more than it needs money, business increased population to take up the vacant land, MORE THAN ANYTHING.

Everybody, from the President to the ordinary man on the street, knows that war has completely changed.

Everybody with an ounce of brains knows that old fashioned fighting methods are as much out of date as the hansom cab or the lady's "bustle." And, unfortunately, with parfi it isn't a matter of "fashion," but of DEADLY DANGER.

As long as we remain as we are now, UNPREPARED, without any sort of flying fleet worth the name, without anybody in charge of flying that knows anything ABOUT it, this nation is in great peril.

Ten years ago it took at least two weeks to get from the United States to China or Japan. Now, by flying machines, as testified by competent fliers, the time from Washington to Peking is about sixty hours and could be reduced to forty hours.

Any invading air fleet from Asia could land comfortably in Seattle, one day's flight by daylight.

Having gone over the machinery in a chosen spot in Alaska, such an invading air fleet could drop down the west coast, wiping one city after another cross the border into Mexico, where every enemy flying man would be perfectly safe.

WE NEED AIRSHIPS, AND IT IS THE BUSINESS OF THE PRESIDENT AND OF CONGRESS TO SUPPLY THEM.

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Colonel Mitchell is on trial because he has told the people that they are in danger, that the only defense against attacking airships is OTHER AND MORE AIRSHIPS.

He is on trial, threatened with dismissal from the army, because he took literally and seriously the President's speech to the young officers of Annapolis.

The President told them that they had a right to "the widest latitude" in criticism. Mitchell took, not the WIDEST latitude, but reasonable latitude in describing our miserably undefended condition.

And for that he has been put on trial.

The men that ought to be on trial are those responsible for leaving this nation without defense, open to attacks.

The red tape experts keep newspapers from telling the truth and warning the people, even if they can threaten, try and even dismiss a good army officer for truth telling.

Our minds run along in an even groove; things have ALWAYS been about as they are. Therefore we think they will always BE about as they are.

Great misfortune has killed people instantly, and so has great happiness. The human mind and heart are not made to endure with safety TOO GREAT EXTREMES.

It is difficult for us, even with the aid of pictures and facts, to imagine the state of mind, the grief and terror into which the inhabitants of a great city would be plunged if attacked by aircraft, armed with modern explosive bombs and deadly gas bombs.

For many, fortunately, death would be swift, instantaneous. But for millions of others life would be a horror. Bombs exploding, buildings crumbling and crashing to the streets, smoke clouds dropped by enemy airplanes shutting out day light, stifling gases choking the lungs, burning the skin.

These are not imaginary details. On a small scale, with aircraft poorly developed, explosives and horrible gases in their infancy all of these things were known in the last war.

SMILES BY MILES



GOVERNOR ASKS TECH. DIRECTOR TO RESIGN; HE REFUSES.

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which I have yet to serve. I fully appreciate the responsibility and dignity which naturally accompanies a position of trust of this kind. The Texas Technological College has started out as a real institution, capably managed throughout and as chairman of its board of directors, I could not countenance any confusion of side line issues interfering with its growth and development.

"Administrations may come and go, but these great institutions will go on forever, and I feel the responsibilities of those administering them should go directly to the people served by them and not to the particular administration which happens to be in power. If there is one point on which the people of Texas are in accord, it is that our educational institutions should be divorced from politics. Under the circumstances I am compelled to decline to accede to your request for my resignation. Meanwhile, if the board of directors, or the management of the Texas Technological College, or the people of Texas should feel that this institution would be benefited by my resignation, I would gladly resign. Respectfully,

Amon G. Carter

A lengthy statement addressed by Carter to the people of the State is in part as follows:

"I have no apology to offer to the fact that I acted as host on a certain occasion in the city of Fort Worth, when distinguished men and hundreds of guests assembled in Fort Worth to learn of the hospitality that awaited them from the Chamber of Commerce, of which I chanced to be its representative at that time. I was general chairman of the committee that succeeded in bringing to Fort Worth a party of men celebrated the world over as leaders in great commercial enterprises, and the story criticizing this entertainment is but another effort to divert the public mind from the real issues that now challenge attention on every hand.

The A. R. I. Banquet

"The occasion, obviously, to which the Governor refers was that of the entertainment of the American Petroleum Institute in the city of Fort Worth in December, 1924, and it comes with extremely ill grace to belie the hospitality of Fort Worth and to charge that all the guests who assembled there, numbering men in all walks of life, were part conspirators in violating the law of the land. In very truth, there was no violation of the law and there could have been no such action as charged because present with this party were members of the law enforcement departments of both county and city.

"Certainly, I did not seek in any way to prevent the dissemination of any fact that took place at this banquet and nothing was laid upon my conscience since that time that would warrant me in employing lawyers to obstruct the consequences of anything I had done or sanctioned.

Work for Texas Tech.

people know that it fulfills a much wider scope and destiny than that, because, by law, it is designated as the Texas Technological College.

Would Make Records

"I am perfectly willing to match my record as a member of the board of directors of the college, or in any other capacity, with that of 'Gov. Jim' and I am also willing to invoke the spirit of the past, a past which brings to mind that the slight unpleasantness between 'Gov. Jim' and the State Legislature grew out of his attitude toward the State University. I have nothing to hide from the people of Texas.

"As a matter of fact, the accusation of the Governor is so egregious and absurd that it might well be classified with farce-comedy, but for the evident resentment that lay back of the charges.

"Governor Ferguson relates an incident which happened at College Station in the progress of the football game between A. & M. and Texas University on Thanksgiving Day and points to the atrocious fact that I was reported to have admitted yelling 'Hurrah for A. & M. and Dan Moody.' "My yells for Dan Moody are not treated as criminal in the statutes of the State.

"It is unnecessary for me to say "I have been actively identified with the Texas Technological College since the institution was created, having been elected chairman of the board of directors at a meeting in Sweetwater in the early part of 1923 and ever since that time, without a penny of expense to the State, I have dedicated the very best of which I was capable to the service of the institution, so that, together with my associates, I could assist in promoting an avenue of education for the youth of Texas.

"I recall in this connection that when the original corner stone of the college was laid the Governors-elect had been invited to be present, but neither Governor Jim nor his wife

chose to accept the invitation, and when later on in October of the present year, when the college opened with a phenomenal enrollment of 906 students, our 'Governors' were invited again to participate in the celebration connected with the opening of the college, but they and each of them failed to appear.

"It may be a trifle, but trifles sometimes show which way the wind is blowing, that Gov. Ferguson, in making mention of the college described it as the West Texas Technological College, when the lawmakers and all the that I not only had no intention to be discourteous to the Governor of the State, nor did I endeavor to embarrass any one.

Rooter for A. & M.

"My wife always has been a partisan for the Texas University; while I, on the other hand, always have 'rooted' for A. & M. But I may be permitted to say in a sort of stage whisper that I always have supported and encouraged the development of both institutions, side by side. As a taxpayer and as sort of balancing the family allegiance and as one who had paid his way into the football game, I reserve the right to shout for A. & M. very much as I had done in times past and particularly to hurrah for Dan Moody because of his energetic activities and courage in protecting the taxpayers of the State—and all this on his part, notwithstanding the opposition from the executive mansion where the idea seemed to prevail that it was proper to spend the public's money as such expenditures were disclosed by the evidence submitted in the recent trial.

"While the charges contained in Gov. Ferguson's letter were slanderous in the extreme and libelous per se, they were printed in full in the newspapers with which I am associated as a matter of fairness, and my rights under the libel law I gladly waived as far as other newspapers were concerned, in order that the Governor's statement might have the widest publicity.

"In conclusion, I beg to say that I do not hold my commission as a member of the board of directors of the Texas Technological College from Gov. Ferguson, but since it is a public trust and one for which an accounting should be made to persons in authority, I shall await another conjuncture of time and circumstances before I will even presume to consider the subject. However, it behooves me to say that I shall continue to perform my duties as such director,

Signed: Amon G. Carter.

"What's in a Name?"

By MILDRED MARSHALL

Facts about your name; its history; meaning; whence it was derived; significance; your lucky day, lucky jewel

ANNIE

THIS quaint but charming and undeniably popular name has no etymological right to existence. Though it signifies grace and is of course closely related to Anne and Anna, it has no scientific excuse for being. It seems rather to be the natural endearment rising out of the chill dignity of Anne.

It is barely possible that Annie may have come to us by a more direct route than colloquialism. A favorite name in early Gaelic times was Anni, signifying joy. The pronunciation of this name is very similar to Annie. In England, however, there has arisen a fashion of christening Annie, probably from some confusion as to the spelling of Ann or Anne.

With the exception of Anna, the quaint name of Annie is the most popular of all forms in this country. Anne is piquant and Anna slightly forbidding, but Annie appeals to the popular taste and Yankee love of endearment.

Amber is Annie's talismanic stone. It will bring her health and guard her from disease. Tuesday is her lucky day and 4 her lucky number.

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A LINE O' CHEER

By John Kendrick Bangs.

GOLD AND CHEER

THE thorns he found upon his way,
All fit to pierce mere bubbles with,
He plucked and on each passing day
He used to prick his troubles with.

And every stone he found thereon,
Stones rough beyond the telling of,
He seized and shaped, and then anon
He built a cheery dwelling of.

Indeed, the obstacles he met,
The very ones I'm rhyming on,
He turned into a ladder, set
For him to keep on climbing on!

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F. M. Winkles and Whit Threadgill of Roaring Springs, were transacting business in our city Wednesday.

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FERGUSON AND MOODY IN NEWSPAPER WRANGLE

what it cost under the ideal weather conditions during the last Summer. This is self-evident, and if the road company only spent as Mr. Moody alleges, \$600,000 in the Summer to lay a one-course treatment, it will cost at least 50 per cent more to do it in the Winter. It will cost, in all probability, \$900,000 to put the asphalt topping on the 400 miles of road left only half done by the American Road Company. Adding this \$900,000 profit which the American Road Company made by being relieved of its obligation by Mr. Moody and the judgment of the court, then the State has sustained a loss of \$1,800,000 as a result of the Attorney General's suit. In any event he has cost the State the profit made by the road company of \$900,000 plus whatever it costs to lay the second course to complete the unfinished job of the American Road Company.

"Got Hot End of Poker."

"On the other hand, if the American Road Company had been permitted to lay the second-course treatment, as it offered to do, and was bound to do under the terms of its contract the cost of laying the second-course treatment would have come out of the profits made, and in all probability would have absorbed most if not all of the \$900,000 which Mr. Moody permitted them to make. The profits in such event would have been the amount of Mr. Moody's judgment, only \$600,000, and from this amount should have been deducted the profits of the company on the unpaid balance of \$314,000, which would be at least \$100,000, leaving the net profit of the American Road Company to have been only approximately \$500,000, or 25 per cent on the \$2,100,000 of work.

"In other words, if the Highway Commission had been let alone the profits of the American Road Company would not have exceeded 25 per

cent. But by the private agreement between Mr. Moody and the road company, with the approval of the court judgment rendered, they made \$900,000 on \$2,100,000 of contracts, or 45 per cent, and in addition to this the State lost by having to finish the work \$900,000 more, or 45 per cent more.

"Let these enthusiasts for the youthful Attorney General analyze these figures to their hearts' content and they can not deny or escape the fact that the State got the hot end of the poker as a result of Moody's big suit against the Highway Commission. "All I want any fair-minded man to do is to read the facts and draw his own conclusions."

Moody's Statement

The statement of James E. Ferguson that the State in the end will lose from the \$600,000 judgment he gained against the American Road Company "is an attempt to mislead the public," Attorney General Dan Moody said Wednesday.

"The findings of the court show there is no basis whatever for Ferguson's charges," he said.

The Attorney General said he had no disposition to become embroiled in newspaper controversies.

Mr. Moody quoted Mr. Ferguson as saying: "I feel sure that when a final audit is made it will be shown that the company paid out at least \$700,000 on the first course treatment." Moody said: "On the evidence, Judge George Calhoun found that the cost of such first course treatment was approximately \$400,000."

"It would be inferred from his statement that after the judgment is paid the net profit to the American Road Company on surfacing work would be \$900,000. Judge Calhoun found that its profits before the payment of the judgment were \$900,000 and after payment of the judgment \$300,000," Moody declared. "W. K. McIllyar, president of the American Road Company, testified that if they

been permitted to complete their contract as they had been proceeding with it up to the time of this suit their profits would have been between \$1,800,000 and \$2,000,000 additional. Mr. Ferguson contends that if the American Road Company had been required to make his second course treatment on the highways surfaced with asphalt, no excessive profits would have been made. On sworn testimony, which was neither contradicted nor denied, Judge Calhoun found "that the price fixed by said contracts to be paid to the defendants for such work were excessive and unreasonable even through said contracts given the interpretation most burdensome upon the defendant."

Quotes Court Findings

Moody said the statement was not made in justification of anyone, but in order that the people of Texas "may have the truth."

He presented the findings of the court, "which were based on evidence heard at the trial," said quoted them.

In brief, the court found that letting of the contract without competitive bidding was an abuse of official discretion on part of the Highway Commissioners: that the company spent approximately \$400,000 on its surfacing contract and made a profit of \$900,000; that recovery of \$600,000 by the State is a fair recovery; that the price of 30c a square yard for asphaltic surfacing paid by the company is "grossly excessive and unconscionable," and that to complete the work called for in the contracts, under the terms most burdensome upon the the defendants "would require the State to pay an unreasonable price."

Text of the courts findings were: "The court having heard the evidence and considered the same, now finds:

"That the allegation contained in the plaintiff's petition, seeking a forfeiture of the American Road Com-



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pany's permit to do business in Texas have been sustained by the evidence introduced upon the trial of this cause and that, by reason of the facts proved, the American Road Company has forfeited its right to do business within this State, and its permit to transact business within the State of Texas should be cancelled.

"The court further finds that the evidence sustains the allegations of the plaintiff that the contracts set forth in plaintiff's petition constituted one transaction between the State of Texas and the defendants, entered into pursuant to the original design of the parties.

"Abuse of Official Discretion."

"And the court further finds that the evidence sustains the allegations of plaintiff's petition that the contracts for the asphaltic surfacing of designated State highways within the State were entered into without advertising or competitive bidding and abuse of official discretion, and that the prices fixed by said contracts to be paid to the defendants for such work were excessive and unreasonable even though said contracts be given the interpretation most burdensome upon the defendants.

"The court further finds, under the evidence, that for the work done under said asphaltic surfacing contracts by the American Road Company, the State of Texas has heretofore paid said American Road Company the gross sum of \$3,202,269.05, and that the American Road Company has presented to the Highway Commission additional estimates calling for the payment of approximately \$130,000 for work done under said asphaltic surfacing contracts and that said

estimates have been approved for payment by the members of the Highway Commission of Texas.

"The court further finds that the cost of performance of said work by the American Road Company was the sum of approximately \$400,000 and that the profits accrued to the American Road Company for the work done under said asphaltic surfacing contracts, including the money paid and estimates approved for payment, is approximately the sum of \$900,000.

Profit Called Excessive

"And the court further finds that the money paid and to be paid to the American Road Company for the work done under said contracts is grossly excessive and unconscionable; and that to complete the asphaltic surfacing of additional miles of roadway called for by said contracts, under the terms most burdensome upon the defendants, would, by the terms of said contracts, require the State to pay an excessive and unreasonable price for such work.

"And the court further finds that there are now on file with the Highway Commission of Texas unpaid estimates in favor of the American Road Company for the sum of \$313,974.59, which have been approved for payment by the Highway Commission of such that approximately \$130,000 of such approved estimates are for asphaltic surfacing work; that the remainder of said approved estimates are for work done in the construction of a road in Parker County, for maintenance of roads in Dallas and Tarrant Counties, and for work done at cost plus 10 per cent to the State.

"And the court further finds that the amounts paid and to be paid by

the State of Texas to the defendant, the American Road Company, for such asphaltic surfacing of highways within this State, already done under said contracts aforesaid (including the unpaid estimates therefor, which have been approved for payment by the Highway Commission, and now on file in the Highway Department, in the sum approximately of \$130,000, exceed a reasonable price for such work so done by the sum of \$600,000.

The court further finds that the sum of \$600,000 represents amount of excessive and unreasonable sums paid and claimed due under said unpaid estimates, and that said sum of \$600,000 is a proper, just and full recovery in favor of the State of Texas and against the defendants on such excessive payments under said asphaltic surfacing contracts and that the said \$600,000 for which the defendants now confess judgment is a proper, just and full recovery."

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