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This Week

by ARTHUR BRISBANE

**World's Rough Weather
Mother Said Die
A Real Flying Boat
Silk From Seaweed**

On the ocean, in rough weather, it is some comfort to know that all the mass of water around you for 1,000 miles is disturbed, and your ship is not responsible for the rolling and pitching.

It is a comfort in this rough weather of finance, industry and public affairs generally to know that what we feel is not alone our own foolishness, but the education and troubles of the whole world, readjusting itself after the tempest of the great war.

Every country has its troubles, some no violent as to make our own seem trifling. In every direction are repudiated bond issues, international quarreling, unemployment.

Even little Switzerland, marvelously secure as regards value of her bonds and currency, is troubled because Englishmen that climb mountains and Americans that admire them no longer crowd her hotels.

On a chilly day in Florida, California or on the Riviera "tourists" study weather reports from New York and Chicago. Americans can find comfort in the condition of nations around them. It should make us deeply grateful for what we have and what we have escaped.

Gloomy Puritan preachers of the Cotton Mather type told their congregations that the blessed in Heaven have their joys greatly increased as they look down on less fortunate friends and relatives burning in hell.

Such gloomy pleasure might be ours if we realized conditions in other nations.

The Young brothers, Harry and Jennings, killed a man, then killed six others, in a fight for freedom. Their mother, nearly seventy, sent word through the newspapers, "Kill yourselves, rather than be caught." They did it, shot each other to death, one in his last breath calling out to the hanging posse, "Come and get us, we are dead." Nothing in Wild West literature can surpass that.

The prison of this life has a very thin wall. Those that will go through easily and settle with all authorities, except those on the other side. That except keeps many here.

Holland is about to build the biggest flying boat that ever was, twice the size of Germany's DO-X.

The ship will have ten motors, totaling 10,000 horsepower, each motor driving three propellers. The boat, weighing 100 tons, is expected to carry a 40-ton load at 140 miles an hour. It would go from Amsterdam to New York and back, comfortably over a week-end.

An Irish scientist extracts a marvelously fine imitation of silk from the seaweed "kelp." That weed yields a large part of the world's iodine and will now appear on young ladies' legs as "sheer stockings."

Nobody knows what wealth the ocean contains and will yield.

There is in it, for instance, a thousand times as much gold as the world's total supply. Some scientist may find a way to extract that from the rushing waters of the world's highest tides in Newfoundland, England, China.

The many buildings in Rockefeller City, that John D. Rockefeller, Jr., is erecting, with squares, towers, parks and trees on roofs, in the heart of New York, will include a "British Empire building." Anxious not to compete with other buildings hurt by the depression, which began after Rockefeller City was started, Mr. Rockefeller has sent agents abroad to create new noncompetitive leases.

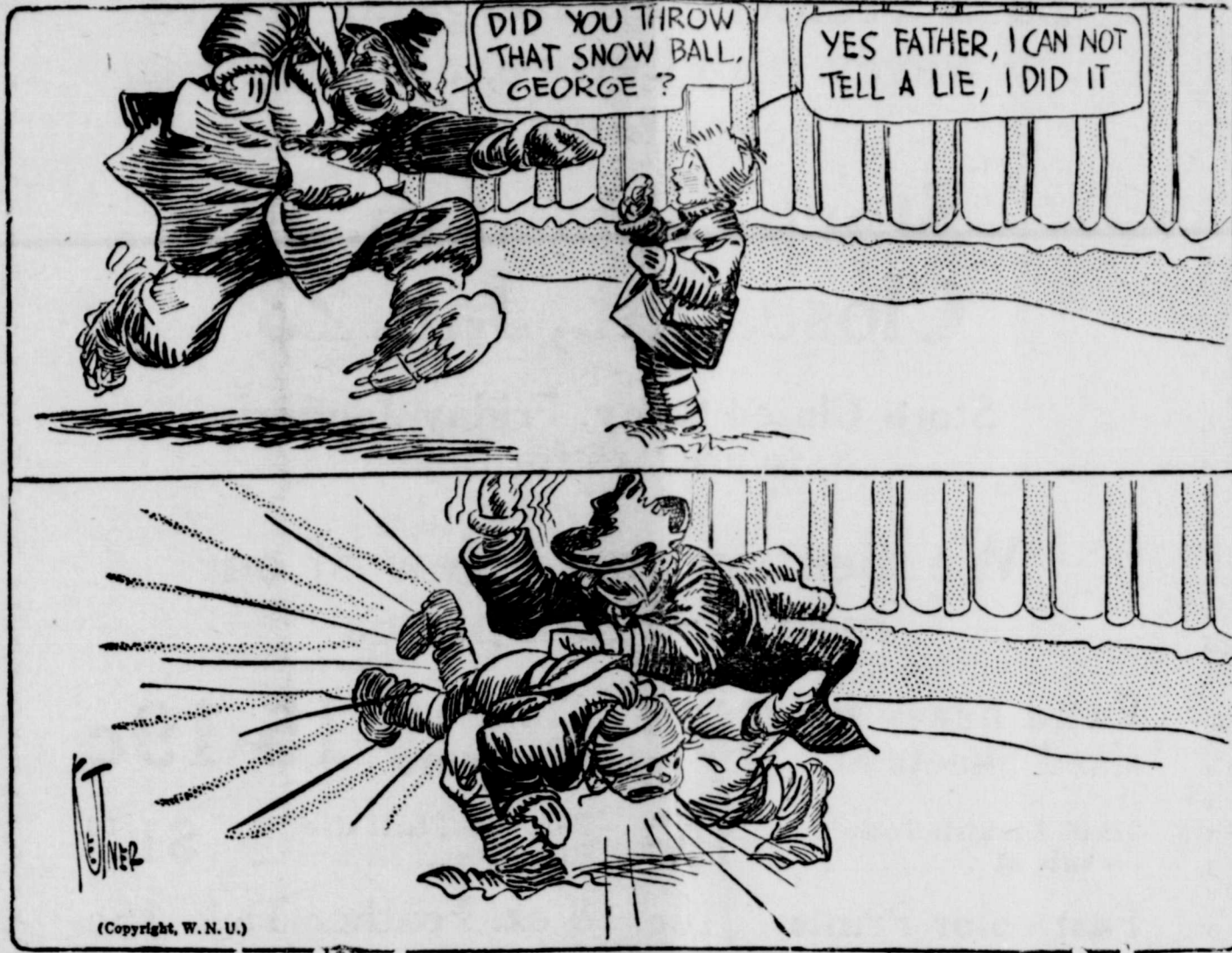
The British building at Fifth avenue and Fiftieth street, official headquarters for British financial and industrial concerns in America, will fly a British flag, carry the British coat of arms, under the management of Baron Southborough.

You know that he is British when you read his full name, Sir Francis John Stephen Hopwood, P. C., G. C. B., O. M. G., G. C. V. O., K. C. S. I. The head of the whole shebang is not so rich in initials. His are only John E. S. O.

But the last two, meaning Standard

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Times Have Changed



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Road Work Begins

Actual work in the paving Highway No. 9 for Sterling City westward to the Glasscock County line was begun this week. The grade from the end of the pavement at the Baptist church to the west limit of the town has already been opened and made ready for the forms, and laying of the caliche base will probably begin Monday.

Most of the machinery for excavating, crushing and loading rock and caliche has been placed on the ground.

There has been much disappointing delay in beginning this work, but it is believed that it will now be rushed to completion.

This stretch of pavement will be the same type as that east of town, which is recognized as the best road in West Texas.

A Son to the Baileys

Born, at San Angelo on January 10, to Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Bailey, a boy. Mother and son doing well.

But Earl says that Seth's big sale and this boy coming on at the same time has put him up in the air. He says that while Seth is still acting curious and telling everybody to keep out of "dad's" way, he thinks Seth will come around all right in a few days.

Seriously, we join all Sterling in congratulating these parents on the happy event.

W. M. S. Entertained

Mesdames Lester and Templeton Foster entertained the Women's Missionary society with a forty-two party, Monday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Lester Foster. After a series of games, delicious refreshments were served.

Those present were: Mesdames W. L. Foster, W. E. Allen, Rufus Foster, E. B. Butler, A. J. Bierschwale, Homer Pearce, Jim Atkinson, Clyde Bowen, R. P. Brown, Roy Foster, M. H. Greenwood, J. P. Randal, Lester and Templeton Foster, and Misses E. Hel Foster and Lois Stone.

Reporter

Jerry Brown in Race for Sheriff

This week we announce Jerry Brown as a candidate for election to the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector of Sterling county.

This candidate is well and favorably known to the citizenship of this county, having resided here the major part of his life. The only office he ever held was that of school trustee of Sterling Independent school district.

Jerry wants it distinctly understood that he will run strictly on Jerry Brown's merits, and not on anyone's demerits, and "mud throwing" will not be a part of his policy in making the race.

Honest, intelligent, courageous and capable, Jerry's many friends believe that if he is elected, he will fill their expectations to the fullest measure.

Oscar Ratliff for Commissioner Prec. 1

In this issue we are announcing Oscar Ratliff a candidate for re-election to the office of County Commissioner of precinct No. 1, Sterling county.

Mr. Ratliff has served Sterling county in this capacity for many years, and the public records can speak more eloquently of his splendid service to the people of this county than we can.

But we must say a good word for this worthy old scout on general principles. During all these years of faithful service, we have always found him on the job and making good at it. He has used good judgment and a level head in voting for every appropriation of the people's money. The condition of our roads and streets are monuments to his splendid judgement in the discharge of the duties of his office. Honest as the days are long, and level headed, we commend him to the consideration of the voters of Precinct No. 1.

G S. White, of the firm of White & Swarengen who operate a ranch about 30 miles northwest of here, is reported to have died in Dallas last night.

Bank Stockholders Elect Directors

The stockholders of the First National Bank of Sterling City held their annual meeting in the bank last Tuesday afternoon.

W. F. Kellis was elected chairman, and Malcom Black as secretary of the meeting. The report of J. S. Cole, cashier of the bank, was read and approved. This report showed the present condition of the bank to be healthy, sound and entirely satisfactory to the stockholders. It shows a surplus and undivided profits on hand in the sum of \$144,000, making a working capital of \$200,000. With minor exceptions, the bank's paper was rated as first class. Perhaps no bank in West Texas can make a better showing.

The old board of directors composed of W. L. Foster, J. L. Glass, J. T. Davis, Rufus Foster, Claude Collins, T. G. Brennan and R. L. Lowe were elected without opposition. Out of 600 shares, 597 shares were voted in the election of the board. After a number of optimistic talks by various members, the meeting adjourned.

Butlers Entertain

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Butler were host and hostess to a number of their friends this week. On Tuesday evening four tables of forty-two players assembled at the beautiful Butler home and pleasantly passed away the evening at their favorite game. On Wednesday evening they entertained four tables of bridge players.

Ice cream and cake were served to the guests on each of the above occasions.

Son of Finous Doran Died Thursday

Finous L. Doran, son of Mr. and Mrs. Finous H. Doran of Del Rio, died in that city Thursday. This young man was 22 years of age at the time of his death.

The father of the deceased, F. H. Doran, spent his boyhood days in Sterling, where he had all the old timers for his friends.

Evening School Still Holds Interest

The Evening-School under the direction of Supt. J. P. Jamison and Norman Taylor, principal of Garden City High School is moving along nicely at Lucian Wells school house in the North end of the County.

Poultry Problems are discussed and problems solved each meeting nights. The school is held each Wednesday night and the attendance has been good so far.

Last Wednesday night culling and housing were discussed. The following members were in attendance: T. W. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Kirkpatrick, Mrs. R. E. Overton, Lottie Foraker, Kathryn Scott, A. J. Overton, Floyd Nelson, Sammie Lee, Luster Nelson, Edith Kirkpatrick, Allen Nelson, Edna Overton, Ambra Nelson, Helen Nelson, C. J. Baker.

The Evening-School met last Monday night at Garden City High School with a good attendance. Stomach worms and Tape worms in sheep and goats were discussed. Mr. Taylor gave some interesting problems and figures on interest. Miss Edith Word of the Home Economics Department had a large group of ladies in her department for the night class. They are studying the making of salads now.

Those attending the night school in Garden City were: A. J. Cunningham, Dan Roberts, H. F. Neal, Mr. Price, Lloyd Hardy, J. A. McCorquodale, S. Martin, P. A. Cox, John Dickerson, Weldon Parker, Joe C. Calverley, Frank Ramsel, J. W. Bickley, J. O. Heath.

Every ranchman and his wife are invited to attend these meetings and enter into the discussion of the problems which are of interest to them.

Finns Repeal Prohibition Law

In a referendum election last week, the republic of Finland voted to repeal the prohibition Amendment to its constitution which was adopted in 1919. According to reports, 73.1 per cent of the votes were in favor of repeal.

Finland lies south of Norway, east of Sweden and west of Russia. It is a republic similar to the United States. Its Constitution is so that when a knotty question arises in its congress, it is put to a direct vote of its people for a decision, and that ends it.

The Finns had long been noted as a most sober and temperate people. In 1919, at the time when we adopted the 18th Amendment, Finland passed a similar law. Since that time it is claimed that drunkenness and crime had increased at such an alarming rate, that those people decided to abolish a law which they could not enforce. In its efforts to suppress rum running and bootlegging, the republic had become almost bankrupt.

Blue Bonnet Club Entertained

Thursday evening, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Bradley extended their pleasant hospitality to the Blue Bonnet Club. In the series of bridge games Mrs. G. T. Neal and Mr. Lee Augustine scored high, and were awarded a pretty vase and a deck of cards, respectively.

Delicious individual cherry pies, topped with cream, and coffee were served to the twenty guests,

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per on time, will confer a favor by re-
porting same to us.

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TOO MUCH MELLON

Prospects for a Democratic victo-
ry in 1932 was never brighter. If
the delegates to the National con-
vention display enough gray matter
to keep the party from splitting on
the wet and dry question, they will
have a big chance to win.

If they ignore the prohibition
question and leave the 18th Amend-
ment up to the constabulary to deal
with as they would all other exist-
ing laws, and confine themselves to
the problem of leading the nation
back to prosperity, there will be no
doubt about the results.

Every Democrat should strive to
bring unity in the party by ignoring
the things which are not a party
issue. Already the Hoover forces
are employing the crafty tactics they
employed in 1928 by trying to en-
list the clergy and the churches of
the land to rally to the Hoover
standard in the name of prohibition
instead of bread for the starving and
raiment for the naked. They fooled
these people in 1928 into the sup-
port of the party that gave them
breadless days and meatless weeks
along with their other untold mis-
eries, but we do not think they can
do it again.

We refuse to believe that these
people who voted for Hoover in
1928, would be so lost to common
sense and good judgement, as to
crave another four years of Hoover
and financial ruin. We refuse to
believe that any good preacher who
loves his country and its people,
will so far forget their bodily as well
as their spiritual welfare, as to lend
himself and his pulpit to the schem-
es of crafty and designing politicians
whose only interest in the people is
to get their money without earning
it.

The 18th Amendment is the basic
law of the land, and as long as it is
the law, the only thing that should
concern either democrats or repub-
licans is its enforcement along with
all other laws. It is not a party is-
sue and has no place in a democratic
platform, because it was settled thir-
teen years ago and will remain set-
tled until the people settle it as they
did in Finland a few weeks ago.
Then why should the party split and
fight over a dead dog instead of
striving with a united front for the
return of prosperity?

They say that Hoover is an honest
and honorable man. We grant it.
They say that Hoover stands for the
"noble experiment." We admit it
and grant that he is still experi-
menting at the expense of the tax
payers of the land. They say he is
a strong and capable man. We
deny it. He is weak and shows no
genius, statesmanship or any quali-
ties of leadership. Most anyone in
his position could have done as well.
Too much Mellon has ruined our fi-
nancial digestion. We must seek a
change of diet or we are going to
keep on having financial indigestion.
Too much Mellon isn't good for us.

Pay your poll taxes and be in a
position to fulfill your duties as a
citizen.

Unload Sale!!

Such Tremendous Bargains you've
never seen before, and will
never see again

Starts Sat., Jan. 9
Closes Sat., Jan. 23

Store Closed today, Friday January
8, to prepare for Sale

We mention only a few of our
many bargain prices

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| Extra heavy full
sized Sheets at 69c | Children's
Bloomers 15-19c |
| 22x44 Turkish Towels
on sale at 15c | Part Wool full size
Blankets \$1.00 |
| Fast color Prints 10c | 8 oz. Feather Tick 15c |
| Fast color Gingham 10c | 36 in. Outing 10c |
| Men's and Ladies' Sweaters 69c | Kotex 29c |
| Men's Sox, per pr. 8c | All Shoes reduced |
| Ladies' full
fashion Silk
Hose, per pr 79c | Children's
wash dress-
es size 7 to 14 25c |

These are only an intimation of the
many bargains that await you

Come and See Them!

E.L. Bailey Dry Goods

YES, SIR, WE'RE STILL RICH

While the depression has robbed
us of many dollars of profit in our
business, but we are still very weal-
thy. We still own the News-Rec-
ord without a penny of encumbrance
against it. We have hundreds of
hand picked subscribers who are the
salt of the land and who are stand-
ing by us thru thick and thin and
are worth about a million dollars to
us.

Our comfortable home is still ours
without a dime against it. Our 52-
year wife still presides in this home
and ministers to our comfort. A
billion dollars wouldn't buy her to-
day. The three children and their
mates, together with three grand-
children couldn't be bought for all
the gold on this big round earth.

We wouldn't trade the love and
friendship which the people of this
town, county and state bear us for
all the wealth of Wall Street.

The appetite that is ours to eat
three square meals a day without
tripe or pain, is worth more than all
the mines of earth. The health and
strength which enables us to pro-
duce much of this food is worth

a peck of diamonds. The ability to
see, hear, feel taste and smell could
not be bought at any price. The
innumerable blessings and comforts
which we daily enjoy cannot be
measured in dollars.

The priceless privilege of being
able to sleep all night without wak-
ing, and the clear conscience which
makes it possible, are worth more
than a bushel of rubies. With these
and a thousand other evidences of
great worth, why man we are yet
rolling in wealth and luxury, even
tho, there are not enough dollars in
our pockets to set up a jingle.

A Farmer's Prayer

Lord! I am only a Coke county
farmer. Thou knowest that when
wheat was \$2 a bushel, and I had
flour and sugar in the house, and
cake and pie every time I wanted
them. I was not satisfied and vot-
ed for a change. Thou knowest I
wore a Hoover badge and was faith-
ful in all things to the G. O. P. Even
so, thou knowest that I believed in
the dawn of a day that I would
\$3 for wheat and 25c for my cotton
Lord, two years have gone by, nev-
er to return and I am too poor to

buy the necessary Rockefeller for
my Henry, but I still wear a Hoover
badge, but it is on the seat of my
trousers. Lord! I am thankful for
one thing, and that is that Hoover
has been able to make common rab-
bits taste good in the summer time.
I pray thee thou wilt keep them re-
plenished so that I will not want.
I am sorry, oh Lord, that my maize
would not pay the expense of gath-
ering, and I pray that thou wilt con-
tinue to uphold Mellon that he may
be able to collect four years' inter-
est on funds of his own bank for a
righteous house. Teach me to pray:
"Our father who art in Washington;
Hoover is his name; his kingdom
come his will be done; even to veto-
ing the soldiers' bonus. Give us
this day our daily bread, that Cool-
idge tried to make us eat for four
years and Hoover had us eating in
three months, and lead us not into
Republican Presidency, for Hoover
has all the power, Mellon all the
money, Rockefeller all the oil, and
we have patched pants for ever and
ever, Am n."—Exchange

You are an American citizen.
Then in a position to exercise that
privilege by paying your poll tax.

THEY SAY

Gid Ainsworth says the front end
is the butt end of a goat.

S. M. Bailey says it is the thrill of
a lifetime to be called dad.

Rude Mathis says the reason why
he chews tobacco is to get the juice
out.

Constable Bengé says that when
a man gets in jail, the constable or
the sheriff always packs the blame
for it.

Earl Bailey says the pessimist al-
ways looks at the hole in the dough-
nut, while the optimist looks at the
ring around it.

Charley Holster says the holes in
the doughnuts which he bakes are
free. All he charges for is the rings
around the holes.

"Little" George McEntire says it
is no trouble to learn to fly. It is
lighting on the ground too suddenly
is the thing he is always looking out
for.

D. P. Glass says that when he
builds a house, he makes no charge
for the doors and windows. All he
charges for is the frames, panes and
shutters. The holes are free.

Lycurgus Ripsaw says that he
noticed in the Sucker Flat Bugle
Horn where the Sheriff had publish-
ed a notice that he would sell the
entire stock of merchandise of Hock
& Toggle to the highest bidder at
an auction. Lycurgus says this is the
first time Hock & Toggle ever had
any advertising. He says they fool-
ed along and at last let the Sheriff
do it.

We have been sending out a lot
of statements to our subscribers re-
late. Many have sent in the pa-
pers others have not been heard from
while others have come in and said
"Uncle Bill, I don't want to miss a
copy of the News Record, but right
now, I am hard up for money, but
later on, I hope to have it and will
pay you." That is all right, son.
You know that the Bible says: "Thou
shalt not oppress thy brother," and
I believe in the Bible and try to ob-
serve its mandates. Your credit is
good with me, and you shall have
the paper, and later on when time
are better with you, I will get my
pay. You always have paid and I
am not going to discredit you now.
—Uncle Bill

According to the papers, a man
Littlefield came into the possession
of \$150. He was afraid of bank
so he took the money home and hid
it. When he went to look at it
a few days afterward, he found
the rats had cut it up to make
a nest of it. He took what pieces he
could find and carried it to the bank
for redemption. It was said the
all except about \$40, could be re-
deemed. He decided that the bank
was a pretty safe place to keep his
money after all. He was lucky that
a hijacker didn't get him.

Rev. Atticus Webb, head of the
Anti Saloon League of Texas, has
requested that every pastor in Tex-
as preach a sermon next Sunday
on prohibition to their congregations
to mark the anniversary of the 18th
Amendment. He also requests that
10,000 dry checks of \$1.00 each be
sent in for the benefit of the Anti
Saloon League. What he meant by
"dry" checks was that they would
be good for a dollar, altho the mak-
er was a dry. All are invited.
You have any loose change, send
in, for Bro. Webb needs the money.

Sterling has enjoyed spring weat-
her most of this week. During the
first part of this week it rained and
then followed a gale from the West
on Tuesday, then warm sunshine
days until today which is cloudy
and threatening rain or snow.

Local Items

Have pasturage for 75 head of cows.—Philip Thompson 2

E. E. Bailey of Lubbock visited his brother, E. L. Bailey this week.

For plowing the garden, hauling and general work, see E. K. Cherry

Mrs. J. G. Barnett and children, late of Alpine have moved to Sterling.

Mrs. S. D. Guimarin is the guest of her nephew, Dr. Paul Ledbetter, at Houston.

Scarlet fever has again broken out in town. Two cases have been reported this week.

Noble Ballou, of Tahoka, was the guest of his parents, Mr and Mrs A. E. Ballou, last week end.

SAWED WOOD—Good, sound dry mesquite wood, sawed into stove lengths, for sale—H. L. Davis, Phone 3905.

A. No. 1 maize heads for sale at \$10 per ton at the barn. W. B. Welch, Sterling City. 4

Tal Barnett of Alpine, was visiting relatives and mingling with old time friends here last Monday.

Billie Pollock, after spending a week here in visiting relatives and former schoolmates, returned to his home at Tahoka last Tuesday.

A. C. Carper, Jr., who underwent a surgical operation at a hospital in San Angelo last Tuesday, is reported to be doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Churchill, of Sweetwater, accompanied by their son, Chester Churchill, of Los Angeles, California, are visiting relatives and friends here.

Miss Mary Louise Ballou took up her studies again at the University of Colorado last week. Her father, A. E. Ballou accompanied her to Amarillo on her return to school.

B. C. Mann and Steve Currie are rigging up to drill an oil test well on sec. 27, Blk. 34, T & P. Ry. Co. about five miles North of Garden City. Parish & Hagerty of San Angelo are the drillers

A few weeks ago, W. L. Foster received 23 young registered Hereford bulls for use in his fine herd. These bulls were purchased from G. C. Hutchison at Tulia, Texas, at a cost of about \$112 each.

S. R. Cox of Garden City attended the annual Stockholders meeting of the First National Bank of Sterling City last Tuesday. Mr. Cox reports stock and range conditions good in his part of the county.

The cleanup truck will be around to each home in Sterling City every Thursday to carry off junk. Every householder is requested to pack all cans and other junk in sacks or other containers and place them where they can be loaded on.

Sheriff Vern Davis returned from Huntsville last Wednesday where he had been to deliver a prisoner to the penitentiary authorities. He returned in company with Sheriff Bob Hewitt of Tom Green county and his deputy, Dude Thompson who brought back Conner and Powell who figured in a sensational jail break last summer at San Angelo, and who are to be tried soon on indictments charging robbery.

January Sale

We are placing our entire stock of Men's Furnishings on sale at the greatest reductions ever made here

Men's Suits 1-2 Price

\$35 Suits for \$17.50
30 Suits for 15.00
27.50 Suits for 13.50

Dress Shirts Wilson Bros. and Pool Shirts on Sale

\$2.50 Dress Shirt on sale for \$1.90
2.25 Dress Shirt on sale for 1.70
1.95 Dress Shirt on sale for 1.55
1.75 Dress Shirt on sale for 1.35
1.50 Dress Shirt on sale for 1.15
1.25 Dress Shirt on sale for 95c

Hats on Sale Stetson Staple and Dress Hats Reduced

\$15 Stetsons on sale \$12
14.50 " " " 11.60
13.50 " " " 10.80
12.50 " " " 10.00
12.00 " " " 9.60
10.00 " " " 8
9. " " " 7.20
7.50 " " " 5.90
\$5.00 Florence Hat for \$3.50

All Work Clothes at Big Reductions

1-4 Off on Shoes

SPECIAL From January 9 to 16, inclusive, we will clean and press Suits and Dresses, each, for 45c

SALE BEGINS SAT., JANUARY 9

CONTINUES FOR 2 WEEKS

For Cash, Only

The Men's Store

CHICKENS AND TURKEYS

We will pay the highest market prices for chickens and turkeys on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, January 21, 22 and 23. Bring 'em in!

Hall Feed & Grain Co.

Hauling: Let C. W. Smith do your hauling. Has 2 trucks. Will haul cattle, sheep, goats or anything you might wish hauled, long or short distance, day or night. Phone 140, Sterling City. 3c

Don't forget the special sales now in progress in our town

FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished house or apartment. See Mrs. Hoover.

Let me wash your clothes rough dry 6cts. lb. for 15 lbs. and over if you bring them. Mens work shirts and under wear 10 cts. each. Phone 124. Mrs. Teague.

TRESPASS NOTICE

All persons are hereby notified that anyone found hauling wood fishing, hunting or otherwise trespassing on any lands owned or controlled by me will be prosecuted. Stp. E. F. McEntire

THE TEXAS CO. Petroleum & its Products R. P. Brown, Agent

Posted All persons are hereby forbidden to hunt, fish, gather pecans, haul wood, drive stock or otherwise trespass upon any lands owned or controlled by me.

GEORGE McENTIRE

FOR RENT—Two apartments. See T. G. Fullick, at Valley View Inn

FOUND—Ladies gloves. Call at Butler Drug Co's.

Everitt Home Scene of Party

Mesdames Herman and Clyde Everitt entertained their two bridge clubs at the W. B. Everitt home on last Saturday afternoon. Twenty guests enjoyed this pleasing hospitality. At the close of five interesting bridge games, the hostesses served delicious pie and hot coffee.

The personnel included Mesdames W. J. Swann, J. B. Atkinson, Joe Butte, V. E. Davis, S. R. Hefley, E. B. Butler Hal Knight, Oran Ballou, R. L. Lowe, N. L. Douglas, W. B. Everitt, Sam Mahaffey, Ralph Collins, James and Fowler McEntire, Rufus and Lester Foster, Pat Kellis and Miss Ethel Foster.

Mrs. Butte Hostess to Her Clubs

On Friday afternoon, of last week, Mrs. Joe Butte was hostess to the two bridge clubs of which she is a member. Five tables of players partook of the afternoon diversion.

At the tea hour a tempting salad course, with hot tea, was served to the following guests:

Miss Ethel Foster; Mesdames W. L. Lester, Rufus, Templeton, Allen, Allie and Robert Foster; Ralph Collins, Sam Mahaffey, James and Geo. McEntire, W. B. Everitt, Hal Knight, E. B. Butler, J. B. Atkinson, W. J. Swann, George Case, W. N. Reed and Pat Kellis.

Tuesday Club Given Night Party

Mesdames Fowler and James McEntire entertained the Tuesday Bridge Club and husband's of the members, together with a few friends, at the home of the latter last Tuesday evening. At 7 o'clock a buffet supper was served. The hostesses were assisted by their children, L'Jean, Jamie Sue and Ewing Fowler.

Five games of bridge were played during the evening.

The guests present were: Messrs. and Mesdames Templeton Foster, W. J. Swann, J. F. Bradley, Pat Kellis; Mesdames Joe Butte and J. F. Hambricht, Jr.; Miss Ethel Foster, and Messrs. J. T. Davis, George McEntire, Jr., and Wm. Springs.

Prostituting the pulpit to the cause of dirty politics is desecrating the holy places of the high God. People who go around soliciting assistance to build churches by saying these churches are to be used only for religious worship, and then when they are built, allow them to be used by political schemers to foist their diabolical designs, are perpetrating a fraud. Have modern Christians lost their respect for their holy places? If they have, God may lose respect for them.

Traylor is a good banker and a fine business man, but our Jack Garner is a statesman, and we need statesmen at the head of the government at this time. Mr. Hoover is a fine engineer, but no statesman. As president, he ran true to his calling. He dammed, ditched and drained the whole country.

During the wet weather, the new pavement on 4th Avenue proved a great boon to the people who walked or drove that way. Getting about on a hard pavement after 40 years of dust, mud and slush, makes the people feel that the pavement is worth the money.

Twenty Coast Guardsmen in New York have admitted the truth of charges of bribery for allowing liquor runners to pass unmolested. It is said that bootleggers have spent over a million dollars in buying up guards along the coast.

GIVES NATIONAL ECONOMIC PLAN

By ROME C. STEPHENSON
Former President American Bankers Association.

WE hear much of future economic planning to save the nation from a repetition of depression and promote more stable business activity. I know no better plan to suggest to insure future better times than that every wage earner, every family and every business throughout the country lay down as soon as they are able a program of proper savings as the foundation of their financial policy.

I know of no better plan than this to build for the nation as a whole a stronger economic situation,—that is, through a common structure of individual working, earning and saving. And I know of no better plan to revive activity in a depression than to spend a proper volume of past savings to keep the momentum of business going. But unless there are savings in prosperity there cannot be spending during depression.

Those who practiced this plan during the past period of prosperity have a security and a protection against present adversity that could be provided in no other way. Those who did not are the ones who are now most dependent upon others. If there had been more preaching of this doctrine when it was more feasible to put it into effect than it is now, there would be less depression and less financial insecurity today.

However, while there should have been more emphasis on savings during prosperity, a measure of the emphasis today might properly be the other way,—at least to the extent that those who can safely do so may well increase their spending instead of overdoing their saving. While many have seen their earnings fall, there are millions who have not suffered so seriously in respect to the real purchasing power of their incomes. If we listened to all the scare stories of the day, one might get the impression that everybody was out of a job and nobody's business was earning anything. Many of our people who are able to continue a normal program of prudent buying are curtailing their expenditures beyond reason.

A Business Stimulus

The sum total of this unreasonable curtailment of spending is an economic influence contributing to the stagnation of trade. By the opposite token, I believe the resumption of normal spending on the part of those who are able to do so would be an important tonic toward the stimulation of trade. I do not mean by this that we should have indiscriminate spending merely for the sake of spending, but the very motive power of our economic life is the interchange of goods, and unless we have that we cannot have prosperity.

I strongly believe that we are at that point in the depression stage of the business cycle that any sound stimulating influence will start a real movement in the direction of a return toward prosperity. So much of the weakness of the old state of affairs has been liquidated, so many maladjustments corrected and such large volumes of our consumers' goods have been used up or worn out that the pressure of necessitous purchases must sooner or later be felt. When that time definitely comes we may consider it the first impulse of a new era of normal business.

THIS WEEK

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Oil, are equal to a many others.

Congress is in session, with nine thousand bills before it, and the number growing rapidly.

A feeble Democratic majority in one house, a feeble Republican majority in the other, give the American people cause to pray for divine guidance and harmony.

It is probable, unfortunately, that the bill that is needed, if such a bill is conceivable, is not included among the 9,000.

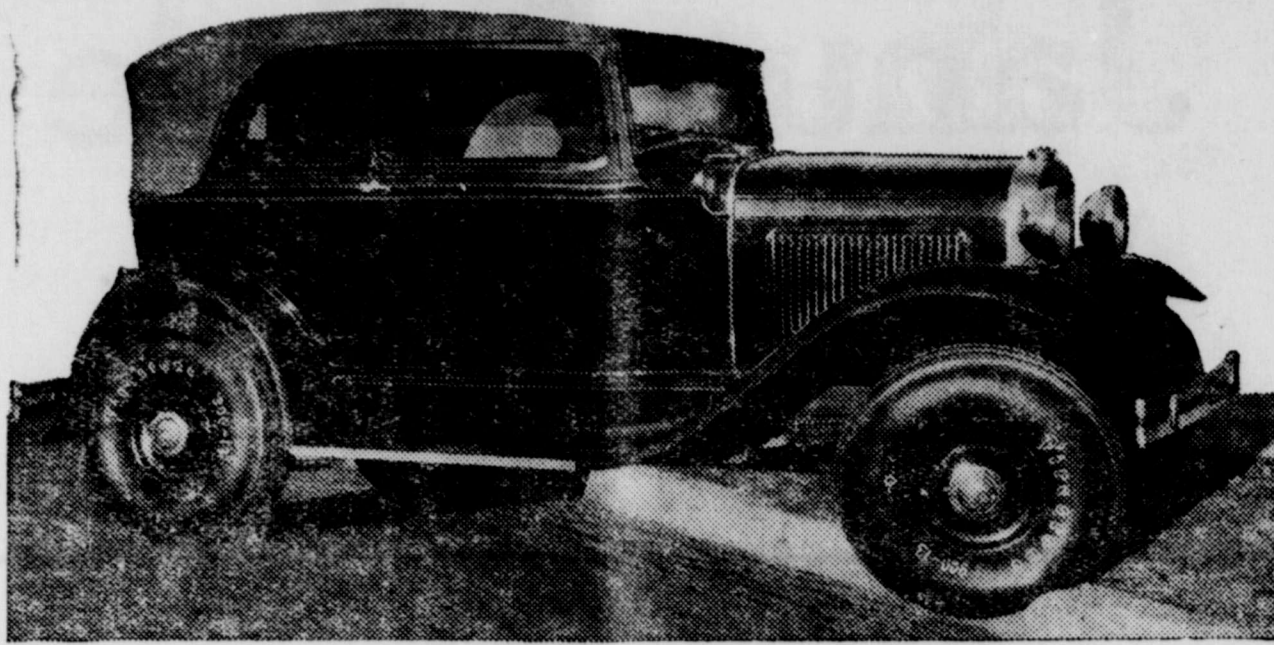
Only a little while ago Walter E. Pruzan was worth \$5,000,000. Important real estate operator, head of a manufacturing corporation, money came easy. Recently he lost everything. The other day he killed himself, leaving this message, "I was a fool when I had money."

Many that still have money are fools, but they will not take warning.



R. C. STEPHENSON

Here's New Firestone "Air Balloon" Tire



When Firestone pioneered and developed the original balloon tire in 1922, they established the principle of very large cross section tires and using very low air pressure and on wheels of small diameter. The "Firestone Air Balloon" simply emphasizes a further degree of this Firestone principle to give added riding comfort and safety.

A new low pressure tire, so ample in its billowy proportions that it gives the impression of being attached to the hub of the wheel instead of to the rim, is announced by the Firestone Tire & Rubber Company.

Known as the "Air Balloon," the new tire carries only from ten to fourteen pounds pressure and is designed primarily to increase rid-

ing comfort. Exhaustive tests made by Firestone Engineers have shown that its cushioning qualities bring about the nearest approach to "riding on air" that it has yet been possible to achieve in tire manufacturing. Cobblestones, car tracks, road ruts and similar rough spots of the highways are taken with scarcely any jar at all.

Along with the comfort phase of their engineering task, the Firestone designers also developed the safety features of the new tire. It is announced that mud, sand, sod or soft ground, wet or slippery pavements are negotiated with ease and safety heretofore unknown. Skidding hazards are greatly reduced. In this respect the tire achieves one of its most important missions, since the combination of low pressure and in-

creased riding surface give it a much higher resistance against skidding than has ever before been attained.

Both the tire and the special wheel were planned by Firestone Engineers with an eye to beauty. The special wheel is a concave black disk, attractively set off with rings of polished chrome. A complete set includes five "Air Balloon" tires and five wheels and an arm for adjusting the steering.

In the evolution of tires for smaller cars, for example, the tire size has been increased from cross section width measuring 3.00 inches to 3.50 to 4.40, then to 4.50 and later to 4.75 inches. Now the "Air Balloon" approximately doubles the cross section size for small cars and increases the air volume about four times.

AMERICA'S WORLD RESPONSIBILITIES

By H. J. HAAS

President American Bankers Association

WE are in a changing world, with many new financial problems for which we have no precedents, and many old problems which have so changed as to be unrecognizable. American bankers have been called into world affairs to blaze new trails of unknown finance. We may expect these calls to be more numerous in the future than they have in the past. We are the world's financial leader and we must accept the responsibility which goes with it.



H. J. HAAS

Let us look to the future with confidence. Every one has experienced a great sorrow some time, perhaps so great we felt we could never overcome it, but time is the great healer and eventually we have come out of it. As it is with individuals, so it is with nations. Our nation has had much sorrow in the 155 years of its existence. In that time we have passed through the major depressions of 1837-1857-1873 to 1879-1884-1893-1896-1907-1914-1921 and the present.

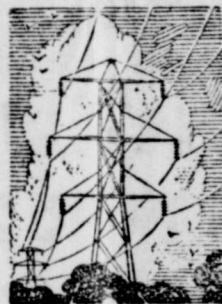
I venture to state that in each of these periods there were those who had doubts of the future just as we have them today, but what happened after each depression? Our country recovered, to be better and stronger than ever. Its people were introduced to modes of living they never dreamed of, until today, notwithstanding our depression, we live on the highest plane of any nation in the world. Should we not judge the future by past experience?

Surely our people are better prepared, financially and intellectually, to cope with even greater problems than they have been in the past, so why not look to the future confident that fundamental social and economic problems will be adjusted satisfactorily?

Confidence is not established by any one thing but by an accumulation of things. If we can get confidence started on its way, gathering a little here and there, it will accelerate its speed as it goes along. This is not the work of any one man to perform but is the cumulative effort of each and every one of us. What we are in the future is not the result of what we have done on any one day but the result of all that we have done for all time. The American Bankers Association is endeavoring to do its part. Individually our efforts may not count for much, but they are part of the whole plan and taken in the aggregate they amount to the sum total of all our efforts.

CANNING—All kinds of meats, fruits and vegetables. See Roy Martin.

West Texans, FORWARD!



It has been the history of West Texas that after every national depression, this "Land of Opportunity" returns to normal—and marches ahead to greater prosperity—more rapidly than any other section of the country.

Recognizing this, can you doubt the brilliant future ahead of West Texas? Can you remain depressed when you're living in this land of vast and valuable resources? Can you allow a temporary period of adjustment to blind you to the immense possibilities just around the corner?

Of course you can't—neither can other thousands of loyal and enthusiastic West Texans! That's why the rapid development of our land has astounded the world—we have a boundless, and justified, faith in West Texas!

This Company, rendering dependable and efficient electric service to 125 prosperous cities and towns, has displayed its confidence in this territory's future by the investment of approximately fifty millions of dollars and the creation of an annual payroll that has averaged over \$2,000,000.00 for the past three years. Our firm faith further is exemplified by the reduction of electric rates for service to the home to the low average of only 6.3 cents per kilowatt-hour . . . by the construction of three major generating stations, nineteen auxiliary plants, and more than 2,500 miles of transmission lines . . . through the building of fifty-five local office buildings and warehouses, and the creation of the many additional permanent facilities necessary so that West Texas can offer to industries and home-makers that dependable and inexpensive power supply available only from a widespread transmission line electric system.

The future of West Texas is assured! Present fundamental conditions are sound, and West Texas' wealth of natural resources—unsurpassed by any other section of the country—give every indication of progress that will dwarf in magnitude that sensational development which a few short years ago riveted on us the attention of the entire nation! Let us take advantage of this encouraging situation—and march through to a greater prosperity than ever before! Let us assume our rightful eminence in the great Southwest!

WEST TEXANS—FORWARD!

West Texas Utilities Company

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POSTED:—Hunting, or any other trespassing on any lands owned or controlled by me, is strictly forbidden. Offenders will be turned in to the sheriff whenever detected in any act of trespass. Keep out and save trouble.—R. E. Davis

A Card of Thanks

In the last illness and death of our beloved relative, A. D. Renshaw, our neighbors and friends came to us and did all that was humanly possible to aid us and give us comfort during those sorrowful hours. In gratitude we thank them and may God bless them.

R. A. Garrett,
Darrell Garrett,
Taylor Garrett,
Linnie May Hall.

A Card of Thanks

While I was confined to my room during the Christmas holidays, so many of my dear friends sent cards in token of their kindly friendship and loving sympathy that I am overwhelmed with gratitude to know that I was remembered by so many, gave me great comfort as I lay helpless and ill. I could not return those favors, but I can say thank you and God bless you.

—Mrs. R. A. Howard

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- For Tax Assessor: S. T. Walraven, C. M. Sparkman
- For County Treasurer: Tiny Longshore
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