

BRISBANE

THIS WEEK

If Five Dictators Unite England Is Feverish Wealth for a Good Girl Gen. Mitchell Finds Rest

Rome hints that Mussolini and Hitler have arranged a protective treaty with Austria, Poland and Hungary. Five countries under dictators, united against England and France, still experimenting with the old "democracy," would be interesting.

One dictator, Stalin, supposed to have an understanding with France, might offset the other combination.

Also, Hitler will remember that in 1914 Germany thought she had Italy in a "triple alliance"—Italy-Austria-Germany, but Italy did not stay. Had she stayed, the war might have ended otherwise. That increases Mussolini's bitterness, with England trying to cause Italy's defeat by barbarous Ethiopia.

Mr. Eden, young foreign secretary, tells England modern conditions are "dreadfully" like conditions before 1914. England must arm herself to the teeth and have, for final objective, "a world-wide system of collective security which embraces all nations in an authority which is unchallenged and unchallengeable."

That might be done by two or three countries closely united, although the airplane makes everything in war uncertain. It might destroy a capital city and an alliance in one morning, as a pistol destroys the strongest man.

Countess Barbara Hutton Haugwitz-Berentzen has a new baby boy weighing seven and a half pounds, and twenty million dollars; that in gold at the present price would weigh more than thirty thousand pounds. Ask Barbara Hutton Haugwitz-Berentzen, as she holds that small baby, its eyes not focused, one small hand holding her finger, whether she would rather have the baby or the \$20,000,000, and she will think your question silly. She would not take a million millions for the baby.

This proves that any good young woman who marries a kind young man may be richer than any "five and ten" heiress.

Gen. William E. Mitchell was buried in the family plot in Milwaukee, not in Arlington cemetery.

Having fought all his life against the enemies of his country and the stupidity of his superiors, he wanted peace at last.

He lies beside his father, a United States senator from Wisconsin.

General Mitchell has gone wherever patriotic, brave men go; some that opposed him will not follow him there.

At Greenwood Lake, N. Y., a mall-carrying rocket went 2,000 feet from New York to New Jersey over Greenwood lake, while spectators gazed in derision.

Other spectators smiled when Fulton tried his first steamboat.

In Madison, Wis., death masks of Indians, more than 3,000 years old, found in burial grounds, lead back to savages of the Eskimo type that hunted mammoths near the beautiful Wisconsin lakes 15,000 years ago. Those ancient savages, instead of burying the dead, cleaned the skeletons neatly, covered the skulls with lifelike masks of clay, and kept their relatives with them for years.

The human race has done queer things always. Russia has Lenin embalmed, exhibited in the great red square of Moscow.

The world becomes gradually democratic. In King George's funeral procession everybody walked at his father's funeral, the great King went on horseback, including King George's cousin, the former, on a prancing white horse.

What is the saddest thing in the world... because it looks down in the...

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What Does a Farmer Do in the Winter?



TALKED TOO MUCH

There is a fable about the dog and parrot, in which the parrot from his high perch had the habit of calling the dog bad names and using language calculated to reflect on the chastity of his maternal ancestor.

The dog bore patiently with the nagging parrot and never returned a word. One day the parrot came down from his high perch and proceeded to express his opinion of all dogs and especially this dog. Suddenly the dog lost his temper and snatched the parrot between his teeth and paws and pulled out nearly all his feathers, and only for the appearance of the mistress of the house, more serious consequences would have followed.

After the parrot had been placed on his perch, he shook himself and cocked his head to one side and said "I know what's the matter with me. I talk too damn much."

General Hagood was a good soldier but he talked "too damn much," so they canned him from the army.

Hagood was a soldier. You and I paid taxes to educate General Hagood to be a good soldier. After he became a soldier, we were taxed to pay him a splendid salary to keep him in ease and comfort.

What ever you may think of free speech, when a man becomes a soldier, he must forget about free speech and do what he is told to do and keep his head closed. If he doesn't like the way his superior officers are running things, and he feels that he must express his feelings, he is supposed to go down on the creek where no one can hear him and do his swearing there.

A soldier is the hired hand of the government. He does not have to take the job unless he wants it. No one compels him to join the army, but if he takes the job, he must do as he is told and not ask how come. On entering the army, he must forget about politics and not take sides. He is paid to do this.

On joining the army, he is not allowed to vote. They do this in order to keep him free to serve us all alike regardless of party, men or measure.

As I said before, General Hagood was a good soldier and had made a good record as such, but he got too big for his britches and "talked too damned much." He well knew the rules of the army forbade disrespect to his superior officers. He well knew that if a buck private or a "shavetail" lieutenant failed to stand at salute when he met him that it was the bullpen for him.

If a captain in his army dared to criticize his orders, General Hagood would have visited dire punishment upon him on charge of insubordination, and if that captain had insisted on showing disrespect for his superiors, he would be canned in a holy minute.

But General Hagood got too full of the free speech stuff and the Liberty League propaganda to realize his sworn duty to the president, his Commander in Chief, and he popped off at the wrong time and the wrong place to his everlasting sorrow and disgrace instead of going down on the creek where no one could hear him while he was popping off.

If the President had been a subaltern in the army instead of being Commander in Chief, and had sturprisingly criticized the way General Hagood was running things, Mr.

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Mrs. Joe E. Conger Is A Victim of Pneumonia

Mrs. Joe Conger died at the home of her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Randolph McEntire, at Colorado, on February 29.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. W. Lipps local Methodist pastor, assisted by Rev. Anderson Methodist pastor at Rankin and Dr. W. B. Everitt, at the Sterling City Methodist church in the presence of a large gathering of sorrowing relatives and friends.

Burial was made at the Sterling City cemetery. Johnson Funeral Home of San Angelo had charge of the funeral and burial arrangements.

Active pall bearers were Ralph Collins, Foster Conger, E. F. McEntire, M. E. Marbury Morrison, and George Meathor.

Honorary pallbearers were Vern Davis, R. P. Brown, Rufus Foster, Roy Foster, Templeton Foster, John Lane, John Reed, Rogers Hefley, James McEntire, J. T. Davis, Bill Reed, John Philip, D. P. Glass and Clyde Reynolds of Sterling City; Rev. M. Elliott of Colorado; Dorbandt Barton of Water Valley; H.G. Secret Jack Cook, Joel Stornes and Dunn Lowery of Rankin; Ben Owens of Fort Stockton, Texas.

Deceased is survived by her husband, Joe Conger; two sons, Joe Emerson and William Roland Conger; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Lowe; three sisters, Mrs. K. H. Parker of Dallas, Mrs. Ed Criddel of Shreveport, La., and Mrs. Randolph McEntire of Colorado; one brother, Roland Lowe of Sterling City.

She has been in ill health for a long time when she was stricken with pneumonia while staying at the home of her sister at Colorado.

Louise Lowe Conger was born in Sterling City, August 17, 1900. It was here she was reared and educated. After her marriage to Joe Conger, they lived at Rankin a number of years.

She was a member of the Methodist Church and a consistent Christian.

Louise was good and sweet. We all loved her because she was so, but her Maker needed a rare

flower from earth to transplant in His heavenly garden, so He took her from earth and planted her where she will bear the blossoms of eternity. We all mourn her passing.

Banks Show Great Increase in Deposits

The 5,392 active national banks in the United States had aggregate deposits on Dec. 31, 1935 of \$24,847,783,000, the highest amount reported in the history of the national banking system. The report of J. F. T. O'Connor, comptroller of the currency on the last bank call showed the following gains:

Three and 39 100ths per cent over Nov. 1, 1935;

Fourteen and 63 100ths per cent over Dec. 31, 1934;

Forty-eight and 13 100ths per cent over June 30, 1933 and

Two and 6 100ths per cent over the deposits reported by 7,635 national banks on Dec. 31, 1928, the previous high record.

As of June 29, 1935, the latest date for which figures are available, total savings accounts in the 10,622 State and other non-Federal chartered banks amounted to \$15,903,482,000 and commercial deposits \$9,215,493,000. At that time the total savings accounts of all reporting State, national and other kinds of banks were \$22,793,298,000 and commercial deposits \$18,890,416,000 grand total deposits 41 1/2 billions.

Texas History Week

Governor Allred has proclaimed March 15 to 21 as Texas History Week. It would be fitting that we learn more about our state's history. So many of us are ignorant about Texas history. The average schoolboy is under the impression that the first white people to establish settlements in America were those who landed at Plymouth Rock in 1620, when as a matter of fact, there were white settlements in Texas at Ysleta and the vicinity of Presidio nearly a hundred years before the landing of the Mayflower.

People in Europe were wearing pearls fished out of the Cochoas long before Capt. John Smith was saved by Pocahontas from being beamed.

Better Homes Club To Sponsor Home Demonstration Move

The Better Homes Club met last Tuesday afternoon at Mrs. Everitt Cope's apartment. At the lesson period Mrs. Cope stated that shrubs set out in March should be balled and burlapped before shipment and this should not be removed when shrubs are planted. They must have careful attention and an abundance of water. Sterilizing soil with boiling water, planting petunia seed, and other subjects of interest of the gardener were presented.

A letter from Miss Kate Adele Hill, District Home Demonstration agent, College Station, stating that she expects to be here at 2 p. m., to meet the citizens interested in home demonstration work was read. She asked that representatives from each commissioner's precinct be present to go before the commissioner's court. The following committee was appointed: Mesdames Homer Pearce, Sterling Foster, Joe King and Everitt Cope.

A yearbook and program committee for the club was appointed. Mesdames Taylor Garrett, Everitt Cope, W. R. Hudson and Homer Pearce were asked to serve.

Illness prevented Mrs. Frankie Howard from being present, therefore, flowerboxes will be the subject for discussion next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Fred Hodges, March 17.

G. B. Ray Married

On Friday, Feb. 28, at the Primitive Baptist parsonage in San Angelo, Mr. G. B. Ray and Mrs. Jane Joiner were married, Rev. Raymond C. Wilson officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray were guests of Mr. Ray's parents, Mr and Mrs. H.K. Ray, last Saturday.

Home Demonstration Coming Here Monday

Citizens of this county who are interested in Home Demonstration work are requested to be at the court house, 2 p. m., Monday, March 9, to meet with Miss Kate Adele Hill, District Home Demonstration agent, College Station.

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BEAUTIFICATION

If you were to visit any court house yard in any county adjoining Sterling you will see trees and shrubs growing. You will notice that some effort is being made to beautify the lawns.

Sterling, within the last 45 years has made a mighty poor showing in the way of beautifying its court house lawn. A few spasmodic efforts have been made, and the result is a few mesquites, some pecans, a few scraggly mulberries, a persimmon, chinese elm and some paradise trees are to be seen. These do not make a good showing because they get only enough water to barely live.

The only problem that stands in the way of a beautiful court house lawn is water. We have an abundance of water for all purposes only 45 feet beneath the surface of this beautiful ground. The court house well will furnish enough water to water the whole lawn if it were properly reduced to possession.

The expenditure of only a few hundred dollars would build storage for all the water that would be needed to keep the yard in first class condition, besides in a tight, there would be water with which to fight fires.

I talked to Sheriff Davis about this matter a few days ago. He said if he had the water, he could make a good showing with his personal efforts alone. He said if the county would construct a good concrete tank on a corner of the public square, he would contribute \$25.00 toward it.

For the last 40 years I have been coaxing, bedging, arguing, scolding and urging that the court house yard be beautified, with only indifferent success. Now, I am again urging every citizen, every civic club as well as every other unit of the county to urge our commissioners court to wake up and do something about it. This is Centennial year you know.

Our commissioners court is composed of good, honest level headed men. They are our agents to spend our money in any lawful way that we may wish. If we would all get in behind them and let them know in no uncertain terms that we wish them to spend some of our money to improve the county's property, they would gladly do it.

But as long as we sleep and do not let them know our wishes, this long wished for boon will be prolonged.—Uncle Bill

One reason why some people take to the Townsend plan is that it promises something for nothing. You tell some folks that they can get \$200 a month for nothing, and lots of them will swallow it, hook, line and sinker whether there is any reason in it or not.

Secretary of the school board Malcom Black, says there will be a considerable increase in the Sterling County scholastic population when the scholastic census is taken this spring.

THE COURT HOUSE BUNCH

Some of the court house bunch, (of which I am a member) is impossible. They never lose an opportunity to put up a job on some member of the gang.

Last week, an itinerant merchant who had a patent window cleaner for sale, called on me and said:

"They told me over at the court house that you were the county court house window cleaner officer and that you were in the market for a patent window cleaning machine. I have here the best window cleaner that was ever invented, and being the official county window cleaner, I will sell this fine window cleaning machine to you for only five dollars and....."

"Now, now, hold on Mister," I said, "I am no window cleaner. You go back to the one who told you that I was a window cleaning officer and tell him that he is a monumental liar."

Say, whatever put the fool notion into your head that we spend good money in this county to clean windows? I'll bet that a half million people have passed those windows in the last 32 years and you are the first one to ever hint that those windows ought to be cleaned. Why man, your suggestion that those windows need washing and cleaning is unthinkable. We don't spend the people's money for such foolishness."

The man said he was sorry to have interrupted me and went away.

Now, I might have exaggerated this window cleaning matter a little but I have been passing the old court house four times a day, most every day for the last 32 years, and I can't recall a single instance where anyone was caught cleaning one of the windows.

I don't think Miss Preb, "old Fess" or Miss Veva put up that job on me. Vern says he did not do it, and I know he would not lie about it, but somebody did. Dee, "Buck" and Jeff were out of town. Had they been here, I would not have put it past either of them.—Uncle Bill

A Jackson Democrat

"Members of this Meeting:

"You don't know me I 'spose; well, it's no matter, I tell you I'm Jacob Groom—live at the Big Spring Post-office, Montgomery country (I sir the postmaster), and bein' a Jackson Democrat of the up right principle. You see I am a big man—can eat a heap— can eat green persimmons without puckerin'. Salt don't keep me, nor liquor injure me. I am a tearin' critter of the catamount school, and a most decided and total porker in polly-ticks. In religion I am neutral, and am decidedly masculine on the up right principle.

"Gentlemen Jacksonians and fellows of the conficacious community in this land of concuence and supernaciueness, Jacksonians, I say, exaggerate yourselves and support the insufficousne of the oracle of Jackson. Friends, the cause of the veto on the veloniousness of the United States Bank was the purification of the Clay party and when Jackson has spycicated the confidence of the present Congress, he will rise to his supercilious majesty and crush the growing powers of these illusive States. The gentleman, Jacksonians, was adequate to the circumference of Jacksonianism. And now I prewise you to exaggerate yourselves, and let them that you left behind see the doings of this 'sembly, the first that has ever met in this town of St. Charles. Just before we all got to this place we stayed all night at our friend John Pitman's, on the road, where we enjoyed the good eating, drinking, and dancing of the hospeculities of our old friend Pitman,

"I am no book Jarnt man, but there is few who can beat me swapping horses or guessing at the weight of a bar. I have come here because my people voted for me, knowing I was a honest man, and could make as good whiskey and apple brandy at my still as any man. I want you all to commit the same like feeling, and finish the whole job on the Jacksonian principle. and if you don't do as I prewise you will come short, and it will be harder for you to git this place again than it would to ride down from the clouds on a thunderbolt through a crab apple tree and not git scratched."

Mr. Groom resumed his seat amid deafening applause.

TALKED TOO MUCH

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Roosevelt would have been dealt with severely.

Without dicipline, our army would be as worthless as a street mob. It must be a perfect machine to fulfill its purpose. A good soldier's duty is to do and not ask why. Without co ordination, discipline and respect, an army is a failure.

President Roosevelt and Hagood's other superiors in rank realized this so they canned the General. They well knew that if they let Hagood get by with his disrespect, that others would follow, and the army would soon become a dangerous worthless, howling mob.

The comic part of this thing is the antics of our Texas Garden Seed Thomas Blanton. When Garden Seed heard about Hagood losing his job in the army, G. S. lost his temper. Garden Seed has an awful temper. When he gets into one of his tantrums, he is terrible. Thomas got up on his hind legs on the floor of the House and rared and faunched about it. He does those things sometimes pretty often. He swore that he, Garden Seed Thomas of the State of Texas in the House of Representatives of the United States was going to put General Hagood back on the job but somehow he didn't do it, so the General has lost his job—maybe for quite awhile.

Thomas likes free speech and lots of it. The uglier it is the better he likes it—for himself. But if a little country newspaper offers a little free speech in one of his campaigns he threatens to punish it to the full extent of the law made and provided in such cases.

General Hagood should realize that every American citizen is entitled to free speech, but at the same time he is responsible for what he says. But General Hagood was not an American citizen when sneeringly testifying that the money for certain proposed projects was "stage money." He was an American soldier then, and as such, he made a bust when he said it and reaped the consequences. He simply talked himself out of a job.—Uncle Bill

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Now King Edward VIII orders simpler uniforms, less fancy dressing in Buckingham palace.

President Lewis, fifty, head of the miners' union, plenty of cash on hand, offers William Green, American Federation of Labor head, \$500,000 for a campaign to organize 500,000 men in the steel industry. Mr. Green, a long-time union man, has not accepted the offer. He knows how easy it is for one man to become a tall for the other man's kite.

Mrs. Watson Davis, for Science Service, says the world needs just now: A remedy for the two greatest "killers of men," cancer and organic heart disease; a substitute for power, developed in primitive fashion from oil, coal, etc. That means harnessing the sun to one end of the scale, the atom at the other.

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AFFIDAVIT OF COMMISSIONERS' COURT

To Treasurer's Quarterly Report.

In the matter of County Finances in the hands of Mrs. Agnes Ainsworth, Treasurer of Sterling County, Texas, in regular quarterly session, February Term, 1936.

We, the undersigned, as County Commissioners within and for said Sterling County, and the Hon. Pat Kellis, County Judge of said Sterling County, constituting the entire Commissioners' Court of said county, and each one of us hereby certify that on this the 10th day of Feb. A. D. 1936, at a regular quarterly term of our said court, we have compared and examined the quarterly report of Mrs. Agnes Ainsworth, treasurer of Sterling county, Texas, for the quarter beginning on the 9th day of Nov. A. D. 1935, and ending on the 8th day of Feb. A. D. 1936, and finding the same correct have caused an order to be entered upon the minutes of the Commissioners' Court of Sterling county, stating the approval of the Treasurer's Report by our said court, which said order recites separately the amount received and paid out of each fund by said County Treasurer since last report to this court, and for and during the time covered by her present report, and the balance of each fund remaining in said treasurer's hands on the 8th day of Feb. 1936 and have ordered the proper credits to be made in the accounts of the said County treasurer, in accordance with said order as required by Articles 1646-1637 Chapter 1, title 34, of the Revised Statutes of Texas, and we, and each of us, further certify that we have actually and fully examined the affidavit of J. S. Cole Cashier of First National Bank of Sterling City, Texas, the County Depository, showing all the actual cash and the hands of said Treasurer belonging to Sterling county at the close of the examination of said Treasurer's Report, on this 10th day, of Feb. A. D. 1936, and find the same as follows, to wit:

* JURY FUND, 1st Class	
Balance on hand last Report	\$ 603.52
To amount received	262.82
By amount paid out	
Amount to balance	866.34
Balance	\$ 866.34

ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND, 2nd Class	
Balance last report	\$2021.52
To amount received	1992.72
By amount paid out	
Amount to balance	4014.24
Balance	\$ 4014.24

GENERAL COUNTY FUND, 3rd Class	
Balance last report	\$2108.85
To amount received	1646.50
By amount paid out	
Amount to balance	3755.35
Balance	\$1759.72

COURT HOUSE AND JAIL FUND, 4th Class	
Balance last report	\$ 404.60
To amount received	125.56
By amount paid out	
Amount to balance	530.16
Balance	\$ 530.16

COURT HOUSE SINKING FUND, 5th Class	
Balance last Report	\$ 867.37
To amount received	282.36
By amount paid out	
Amount to balance	1149.73
Balance	\$1149.73

JAIL SINKING FUND, 6th Class.	
Balance on hand	\$ 648.28
To amount received	62.83
By amount disbursed	
Amount to balance	711.11
Total	711.11
Balance on hand	\$ 711.11

BRIDGE SINKING FUND 7th Class	
Balance last report	\$3466.44
To amount received	188.27
By amount paid out	
Balance on hand	3654.71
Total	3654.71
Balance on hand	\$3654.71

ROAD BOND SINKING FUND	
Balance last report	\$ 9586.02
To amount received	2.34
By amount paid out	
By amount to balance	9588.36
Total	9588.36
Balance on hand	9588.36

RECAPITULATION	
Feb 10 1936—Balance to credit of Jury Fund this day	866.34
" " " Balance to credit of Road and bridge Fund on this day	4014.24
" " " Balance to credit of General Fund on this day	1759.72
" " " Balance to credit of Court House & Jail Fund on this day	530.16
" " " Bal. to credit on Court House Sinking Fund on this day	1149.73
" " " Balance to credit Jail Sinking Fund on this day	711.11
" " " bridge Sinking Fund on this day	3654.71
" " " Balance to credit of Road Bond Sinking Fund on this day	9588.36
" " " Treasurer's commissions now due and unpaid	\$110.00
Total cash on hand	\$18,112.67

ASSETS	
The Bridge Sinking Fund owns part of Jail Bonds in the sum of	
Bonds belonging to permant school fund	
Cash	

BONDED INDEBTEDNESS	
The bonded indebtedness of the County we find to be as follows to wit:	
Court House Bonds	\$ 7,000.00
Jail Bonds	\$ 2,250.00
Bridge Bonds	\$10,000.00
Sterling County Road Bond	\$180,000.00
The warrant indebtedness of the said County, we find to be as follows to wit:	
Sterling County Road Machinery Warrants	7500.00

WITNESS our hands, this 10th day of Feb. 1936.
Pat Kellis, County Judge.
E. T. Foster, Commissioner
C. A. Bowen
W. G. Welch
W. N. Reed

Sworn to and subscribed before me, by Pat Kellis county judge, E. T. Foster and C. A. Bowen and W. G. Welch and W. N. Reed county commissioners of said Sterling County, each respectfully, on this the 10th day of 1936.

Prebbie Durham, County Clerk.
Sterling County

COURT Local Items

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nd sacks. See T. H. Murrell. 3pd.
lasses Billy Frances and Virginia
of Big Spring are visiting their
nd parents Mr. and Mrs. H. K.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Glass spent last
ek end visiting their daughter
son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Irving
isby at Sanderson.

Crit Clark and Holland Mays of
e L. T. Clark & Son ranch down
e river were welcomed callers on
e News Record force Thursday.

C.W. Colbert, the old watch maker
bo operated here about two years
to has returned to Sterling and will
s ready to fix your watches and
ock, as he used to, some time next
week.

Second hand 12 gage to 14 inch
heet steel for 20-foot diameter tank
feet high for \$40 to \$65. Also
0 sheets for corral 5 x 15 feet from
1.00 to \$4.00 per sheet.—See or
phone 131, Sam Helms 4t pd

The road cops have been here
twice lately. It is presumed that
they are "laying" for some of these
swift drivers who make the little
ones hide out when they pass
through town at a mile a minute.

S. R. Cox of Garden City was a
business visitor to our town last
Wednesday. Mr. Cox who ranches
on the upper valley of Lacy Creek,
says that while they are feeding
some, yet, stock and range condi-
tions are good in his part of the
country.

The Tax Collector of Tom Green
County reports that 74 per cent of
the taxes due that county had been
collected at the close of Jan. 1, 1936
The Sterling County Tax Collector
reports that he collected 99.35 per
cent of the taxes due in Sterling
County on Jan. 1, 1936. He only
lacked 85-100 of one per cent of
making a 100 per cent collection.

For flowers see or phone Mrs. E.
B. Butler

School Notes 30 Years Ago

The pedagogical mills are still grinding. Nothing strange, unusual nor of interest-bearing, has happened this week.

"Happy are the people whose annuals are brief;" but for fear people might think we've been Rip Van Winkle-like, this week we report the following:

Isaac Allard, on account of not getting his face washed and his collar on this morning before the first school bell rang, is absent from school today. Ike, you will have to do better than that. Just take pattern from Lowe's (Slaton, who is always on time, but never attempts to wash his face nor wear a collar.

Rue Cole reminds us of the ancient Herodotus—not as to history but to story telling. Rue is a good boy, but his tongue spoils him.

Johnny Bugg gave such a glowing account of his successful coon hunt last Saturday night that Prof Root and several of the school boys are going down tomorrow night to join him in another coon chase. John said his "little yaller pup" treed six coons up one tree, and that the least one's hide was easily worth \$2.00. We hope Prof Root and the boys, upon returning, will not tell it quite so scary.

Our basket ball teams have been having an exciting contest this week and our anti-friends have been good—"thanks, awfully."—B and V—News-Record, Friday, Nov. 17, 1905

Barrack Jokes

Will Garrett, a member of the 82nd U. S. Field Artillery at Fort Bliss, Texas, collected the following jokes for the News-Record:

In our battery there is a Scotchman from Canada named Tooley. Tooley hasn't written a letter home since letter postage went up to three cents.

A recruit from Arkansas, after obtaining a pair of new shoes at the commissary, walked backward until he wore the heels out looking at his tracks.

A family moved from Aarkansas to the plains of West Texas and brought a supply of rocks with them to their new home. "The old man issued three rocks to his boy with orders not to miss a single rabbit.

The reason why the boy joined the army: The old man told him that he would have to kill the hog to feed him, or he would have to kill him to feed the hog. Dad sure think lots of the hog.

A drunken private offers the captain a drink from his flask: The captain calls for the corporal of the guard: "Don't do that," said the drunk, "I've only got enough for you and me".

THE SADDEST SONG

Pronto went to the theatre
Thought he would hear a band;
Sat and wept like other folks
But stood it like a man.

Every body wept quite freely
At the sad words of her song;
It played upon the heart strings
Of the assembled throng.

The song was in some foreign language—

He never caught a single word;
It was by far the saddest song
That he had ever heard.

When the show was over
Pete drifted into the street,
Went up to his hotel room
But could not go to sleep.

"Tizza lhaest throsa of summah
Fay-didden an' ghone"
Kept running through his aching head

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are authorized to announce the following candidates, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries of 1936.

- For Representative of 91st. Legislative District:
Penrose B. Metcalfe
- For Judge, 51st Judicial District
Glenn R. Lewis
John F. Sutton
- For District Attorney, 51st Judicial District:
O. C. Fisher.
- For Sheriff and Tax Collector-Assessor:
V. E. Davis.
- For County Judge:
Pat Kellis
G. C. Murrell
- For County and District Clerk:
Prebble Durham
- For Commissioner, Precinct, No 1:
R. T. Foster
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 2:
C. A. Bowen
- For Commissioner, Precinct No. 3:
W. G. Welch
- For Commissioner Precinct No. 4:
W. N. Reed
- For County Treasurer:
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When he wrote, "The Last Rose of Summer"
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—Useless Kid

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ASSEMBLY PROGRAM

Song, "Texas Our Texas"—Assembly
 Lord's Prayer—Assembly
 Unison Readings—Assembly
 Reading—Doris Ann Carpenter
 Reading—Gene Everitte Cope
 Several remarks about the Texas Centennial—Mrs. Everitte Cope
 Announcements—Messrs. Jones, and Barr

"Rest is not quitting the busy career.
 Rest is the fitting of self to its sphere."

Things don't turn up in this world until somebody turns them up. A pound of pluck is worth a ton of luck—James A. Garfield

WHAT IF—

Elsie were a Day instead of a Knight?
 W. M. were a Lock instead of a Key?
 Gene were a Jumper instead of a Springer?
 Thad were Brown instead of Green?
 J. S. were Queen instead of King?
 Eva were Less instead of Moore?
 Helen were Big instead of Little?
 Jo Nell were a Scratchet instead of a Pickett?
 Gus were a Rail instead of a Barr?
 Ralph were a Spinner instead of a Weaver?
 Doris were a Galloper instead of a Trotter?
 H. B. were a road instead of a Lane?

PERSONALS

W. M. Key and William Foster are in school again after being out last week with the flu.
 Beulah Mae Higgins is absent because of mumps. We hope she has a speedy recovery.
 Thad Green is absent again on account of illness.
 Eloise McCabe, Violet Onstott, and Joy Ligon are sophomores who are on the sick list. We miss them and hope they can return soon.

I count that man idle that might be better employed.—Socrates

FIRST GRADE

The first grade rhythm band will play four numbers for the Windaughis Club Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Sam Mahaffey. The following numbers will be played "The Rhythm Band"—Vandever "Tin Soldiers Parade"—Scarmolin "A Little Marching Song"—Valentine "The Young Bugler"—Merz.

Monday, March 2, Texas was one hundred years old. The first grade made the Texas flag.

Naomi and Richard Cloud visited their grandmother in San Saba last week.

Ruby Langford brought a pot of jonquils to school.

We are glad to have Aaron Carpenter Jr., Phillip Gresset, Peggy Jean Henshaw, and Lavonna Jones in school again.

Herrell Mathis brought a picture

of Lindbergh for the first grade to see. Ruby Langford brought a picture of Lindbergh flying across the Atlantic in his aeroplane, the "Spirit of St. Louis."

Doris Ann Carpenter spent the week end in Snyder with her grand mother.

"Poetry is the sharing of life in patterns of rhythmical words."

BANKERS ARRANGING REGIONAL MEETINGS

Studying New Legal and Economic Conditions Affecting Bank Management

STRESS PUBLIC RELATIONS

American Bankers Association Sponsor of Meetings as Part of Nationwide Program of Banking Development

PHILADELPHIA.—Fifteen hundred bankers from fifteen eastern states met here in January in a two day conference devoted to discussions on legislative, managerial, operating and public relations problems of the banking business. This was the first of a series of meetings planned by the American Bankers Association in its nationwide program of banking development under the leadership of Robert V. Fleming, president of the association. Similar conferences will be held in southern and western sections of the country.

"It is the purpose of these working conferences to bring to association members and other bankers a thorough knowledge of the changes in banking laws and rules, provide discussion of better public relations so that there shall be greater cooperation and understanding between the banker and his customers, and to give opportunity for a survey of the problems incident to the Government's competition with our chartered institutions," Mr. Fleming said in opening the meeting.

To Help Government Quit Banking The discussions at the conference showed that the bankers are ready to make it easier for the Government to relinquish many of its emergency financial services as soon as possible by demonstrating how their institutions are able to render full banking facilities to the public on sound lines.

Bankers generally have recognized that in times of emergency the Government had to come to the assistance of the people where chartered institutions were unable to do so on account of such conditions, Mr. Fleming said. They also realize that possibly many functions which the Government is performing are of a nature which cannot be handled by chartered institutions under the principles of sound banking.

On the other hand, he said, "we should survey all emergency lending measures of the Government to judge which of these activities can be properly and soundly taken over by banks in their respective communities."

The attending bankers devoted time to considering the Banking Act of 1935 and the many related regulations and discretionary powers under the Federal law. These were explained by O. Howard Wolfe of Philadelphia, who said he had made a count of the various places in the act where provision is made for discretionary power to be exercised by government officials through regulations.

"Confining the count only to the sections which affect practically all of us, I found there are forty-eight places where discretionary power is given," he said. "It is a problem of no mean importance, therefore, to master banking law as it is today or may be tomorrow."

Bank Taxation and Solvency Bank taxation was discussed by Charles H. Mylander of Columbus, Ohio, who declared that "the average American is vitally interested in taxation of banks because solvency may depend to a large degree upon the way in which the taxing power is exercised

Gonzales Opens Centennial Year



Historic Gonzales Sunday closed a six-day celebration that was opened November 5 with a salute from a replica of the brass cannon which on October 2, 1835, roared forth the opening shot of the war for independence. A mile long parade of colorful pageantry was witnessed by more than 30,000 persons, including state dignitaries and many persons prominent in civic and official life of Texas and the Southwest. Pictured top above is a float entered in the parade from San

Antonio, representing an early day sewing bee. In the center is reproduced the challenging "Come and Take it" flag carried into the battle by the colonists, and the cannon. Below is an entry in the "Run Away Scrape" section of the parade. The historical observance opened at Gonzales will be continued through the year in celebrations in San Antonio, Houston, Fort Worth and other Texas cities, and in the magnificent exposition to be opened in Dallas next June.

upon them." To prove his point he cited earnings figures which showed that, in the year ended June 30, 1934, "for the United States as a whole, national banks used \$14.89 out of each \$100 of net operating earnings, before taxes, in payment of taxes; but in seven of the twelve Federal Reserve Districts the percentage of earnings used for taxes was above the average. It was in practically these same seven districts that the greatest number of bank failures occurred in those hectic years from 1920 to 1933."

As an example of how far taxation can go, he quoted official figures showing that in 1934 a large number of small state banks paid on the average \$34.20 of every \$100 of operating profits for taxes. Mr. Mylander urged that there be "brought home to the average American the self-evident truth that banks, dealing as they do only in intangible property, are not proper subjects for property taxation; that the true measure of a bank's ability to pay taxes is the earnings it can make."

WHEN BANK CROOKS SHOW PREFERENCES

The American Bankers Association reports that non-member banks suffer twice the percentage of burglaries and hold-up robberies as compared with members. Member banks display a sign showing that they receive the protection of the association's detective agents, who cause the arrest of from 150 to 400 bank crooks every year, the organization, which is a non-profit body says.

"Professional criminals often boast of having sense enough to dodge the far-reaching system of man hunting available to members, so long as there are other banks without this protection," it says. "They recognize that once on the record of the Association's Protective Department, they must pay for every crime with which they can be identified. Detainer warrants have followed them from place to place so that penal servitude for one crime would not explete other offenses."

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HELMS & CATES

Tall Tales
 As told to:
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The Erratic Gale

SOMETIMES in Chicago even necessary to go into a taurant to change headgear. This will be understood, as the reason Chicago is called Windy City when it is known happened during the world's visitor from KallsPELL, M. This gentleman strolled through the fair when a Lake Michigan wind lifted the brimmed stetson from his slapped it twice against a and disappeared with it in the The dismayed fair-goer swallowed his toothpick in ation. He had turned to a nearby hat store to buy a new piece when there came a swirl, another stetson dropped out the sky and settled on the The second hat was of the ture, in good condition, and perfectly, all these details been carefully attended to a second errant breeze, which decided to befriend the visitor. As he related the experience night in a Michigan avenue he was approached by an stranger who smilingly returned his lost hat, and retrieved his The second man, it seems brought three carloads of the stock yards. As he was ketting them, he, too, was by a playful breeze. The each man had been whisked to the head of the other, though they were nine miles © Western Newspaper Union

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