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THAT STRAWN TO WEATHERFORD "CUT-OFF" ON BANKHEAD HIGHWAY

The proposed construction of the 45-mile cut-off from Strawn to Weatherford on the Bankhead highway has revived an old rivalry between the two leading highways leading through west Texas, the Bankhead and the Dal-Paso Cavern Highways, the latter including the north loop of the Bankhead highway.

For the past several weeks there has been considerable activity in towns along the Bankhead Highway from Weatherford to Pecos in favor of this cut-off which would shorten the distance from this section to Ft. Worth by fifteen miles and eliminate three grade crossings on the Texas & Pacific railroad. Towns along the north loop have also been active in organizing against the construction of the cut-off, and all towns along both routes will probably be represented before the State Highway Commission at its January session scheduled for Jan. 18 & 19, when action on the project will beup for discussion. Baird, Clyde and Putnam will have representatives present, at the meeting. Judge B. L. Russell, James C. Asbury and perhaps others from Baird will attend.

Mrs. John Walker Seriously Ill

Mrs. John Walker of Admiral is seriously ill at the Griggs Hospital, suffering from gangrene poisoning in her right leg.

Mrs. Walker has been in ill health for some months, but her condition became grave a week or so ago when she was brought to the hospital.

Less and Rob Walker of Admiral, Vernon Walker of Denton and Homer Walker of Ft. Worth are at their mother's bedside. Mrs. Sophia Coats, her only daughter, lives in Los Angeles California and is unable to come. Master J. L. Walker accompanied his father, Homer Walker here and after spending the week-end returned to Ft. Worth.

Deep Creek Rally

The rally announced to be held at Deep Creek Campground on Thursday of last week, was not held, due to the fact that notice of the date for the rally did not reach Mr. Hawkins in time for him and his assistant to get to the meeting. The committee wish to express their sincere appreciation to all for their cooperation in this work.

Mr. Hawkins and party held services at the Baptist church in Baird Thursday night.

GRIGGS HOSPITAL NEWS

Miss Carrie Lou Gibbs of Rowden, who underwent a major operation last Friday is doing nicely.

James Harold Appleton, son of F. L. Appleton of Clyde, underwent a tonsil operation Tuesday and was a patient for the night.

Wilma Nell McIntosh, 11 year old daughter of Roy McIntosh of Clyde, who has been suffering from heart trouble for some time, underwent a tonsil operation Tuesday and is doing nicely.

N. A. Trotter of Eula underwent a minor surgical operation Tuesday. Mrs. John Walker of Admiral, who is suffering from gangrene of the leg is in a very serious condition.

George McBride of Oplin, who was seriously ill following an operation for ruptured appendix at midnight of Thursday night last week, is much improved at this writing.

Mrs. Wayne Price, who has been a patient for the past ten days was able to be removed to her home, Wednesday.

O. F. O'Neal was a patient Saturday for the adjustment of a fractured toe caused by dropping a pipe on his foot.

Thos. H. Tunnell Of Tecumseh Died Saturday In Abilene

Thos H. Tunnell, 51, of Tecumseh, died in a hospital at Abilene, Saturday, a victim of pneumonia, developing from complications arising from injuries received on Nov. 8th, when he was run over by his car, as he attempted to stop it from rolling down an incline.

Mr. Tunnell was confined to his bed for several weeks before being carried to the hospital in Abilene.

Funeral Services were held at the grave side in Tecumseh cemetery Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Surviving Mr. Tunnell are his wife and seven children, Mrs. E. E. Davis, Gilbert Ariz.; Vera Fay and Nina Mae, Audice and Ollen, of Tecumseh; Seth Tunnell, Colfax La.; and R. C. Tunnell, Wichita Falls. Other survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Tunnell of Tecumseh; three brothers, J. L., Van Nuys, Calif.; Will of Zephyr and Jim Tunnell of the Denton community Callahan county; and four sisters, Mrs. M. E. Howton of Deming, N. M.; Mrs. I. R. Keele of Denton; and Mrs. Clara Stone and Mrs. Sarah McGill of Tecumseh.

Twelve Take Examination For Postmaster- shop At Cross Plains

Twelve persons, four ladies and eight men took examination for postmaster at Cross Plains, which was held in Baird last Saturday morning, the examination being conducted by Miss John Gilliland, civil service examiner, who was assisted in the work by Greer Holmes.

Newsy Item From Cross Plains Review

R. P. ESTES NAMED AS TEMPORARY CASHIER OF CROSS PLAINS BANK

R. P. Estes has been named temporary Cashier of the Citizens State Bank of Cross Plains. He succeeds R. Clyde Durringer, who tendered his resignation more than a month ago but was not actually released until Wednesday. Mr. Durringer left for Ft. Worth, where he will undergo a medical examination. He plans to move his family to El Centro, Calif., the latter part of this month.

Mr. Estes who will serve in the capacity of Cashier until the directors select a permanent officer has been connected with the bank in Cross Plains for approximately two months. He is affiliated with the First National Bank, Ft. Worth.

Thurman Armstrong has been added to the book-keeping department of the bank.

The quarterly statement published in the Review last week shows the individual deposits to be \$107,954.53; cash in bank \$17,338.65; due from other banks \$17,782.54 and Liberty Bonds \$3,055.47. There are no bills payable, according to the statement. Directors of the institution said they were especially pleased with the recent statement.

NEW PRODUCE HOUSE OPENED

Cross Plains now has four produce houses—a new one, the McKinney Produce Co., opening up on Monday of last week. The other three firms are: The Davis Produce Co., Jones Produce Co., and the Martin Neeb Produce Co. These firms buy poultry eggs, cream, furs, hides and pecans.

NEW WELL GOING DOWN AT BURKETT

F. A. Lane and Mack Anderson have spudded in on a new well, on the J. A. Baker tract, near Burkett. Recently they completed a test on the J. A. Copeland farm and got several million feet of gas. As yet they have found no market for it. The gas was struck at the Cross Cut sand.

C. E. Bray Announces For Re-election As Commissioner Pre'ct No.3

C. E. Bray of Putnam announces this week as a candidate for re-election as County Commissioner of Precinct No.3, which office he is now holding for the first time.

Mr. Bray has proven himself a good county official. He has faithfully and efficiently discharged the duties of the office as he thought best in every instance, trying to conduct the business of his precinct in an economical basis at the same time giving his constituents every consideration possible.

Mr. Bray will appreciate your favorable consideration of his candidacy for re-election to this office, promising a continuation of faithful discharge of the duties of the office. See Mr. Bray's card in this issue

Work On Gas Line Nearing Completion

The work of moving three and one half miles of gas line from the right-of-way on the bankhead highway east of Baird by the Lone Star Gas Co. is nearing completion.

Work on this project has been a big help to Baird in furnishing work to a number of our people, who were out of employment. Twenty-three local men have worked on this project and practically all labor used has been from Baird and Putnam.

This work has been done by men instead of machinery, with reasonable wages paid for all work. The Lone Star Gas Company owns machinery that could have been used in this work at a big saving to the company but to help local unemployment, man power was used instead. The Lone Star Gas Company is to be commended for their cooperation in this matter.

The work on the line will be completed within the next few days.

First National Bank Elect Officers

The First National Bank reelected the following officers and directors at the annual stock holders meeting held Tuesday: Officers—Tom Windham, President; Henry James, Vice-President; Ace Hickman, Vice-President; A. R. Kelton, Vice-President; Bob Norrell, Cashier; Howard E. Farmer, Asst. Cashier; C. V. Jones, Asst. Cashier. Directors—Tom Windham, Ace Hickman, A. R. Kelton, Henry James, Bob Norrell.

A 3 per cent dividend was declared on Dec. 31 1931, making a total of 7 per cent dividend paid the stockholders the past year.

I. O. O. F. Celebration

Baird Lodge, I. O. O. F. will celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Thomas Wylde, founder of the order in America on Tuesday evening, Jan. 19th, at which time the members of the Rebecca Lodge is to be their guests.

Prominent speakers will be present on this occasion to take part in the program arranged.

Refreshments will be served. All I. O. F. and Rebecca members are cordially invited to be present.

Claude H. Tarrant Of Eula, Enters Race For County Commissioner Pre'ct No. One

Claude H. Tarrant of Eula, announces this week as a candidate for the office of County Commissioner of Precinct No.1.

Mr. Tarrant is well known to the voters of this precinct, he having been a resident of the Eula community most all of his life. He is engaged in farming and stock raising.

Mr. Tarrant is a capable business man and is well qualified to discharge the duties of the office of County Commissioner.

He will appreciate a favorable consideration of his candidacy by the voters of the precinct.

See his card to the voters in this issue.

Bonnie Wayne Adams Popular Cross Plains Youth Killed In Car Wreck Near Pecos

Bonnie Wayne Adams, 20, popular Cross Plains youth, a nephew of Mrs. W. O. Frazier of Baird, who was killed in an auto wreck near Pecos, on Thursday evening of last week, was buried at Cross Plains Sunday after-noon. Mr. Frazier, who was killed, was killed by a car which was driven by a young friend, Carl Faubian, 21 of Lampasas for Carlbad Caverns where both had positions. They were traveling in young Faubian's car, when the accident occurred. The car struck a concrete bridge, overturned and was demolished. Young Adams was caught under the car and killed instantly and young Faubian seriously hurt, suffering a fractured skull.

Bonnie Wayne Adams was reared in Cross Plains, where he was prominent in athletic and other student activities in the high school from which he graduated in 1930. He attended Technological College at Lubbock the past year. Since last August he had been operating a concession at the Carlbad Caverns.

Besides his parents, young Adams is survived by three brothers, Olan, Afton and Billy Adams and one sister, Athalie Adams.

Clyde Bank Elect Officers

All officers of the Clyde National bank were elected for another year in annual balloting by stockholders of the institution today.

The officers are as follows: W. P. Miller, President; E. G. Hampton, M. H. Perkins, J. W. Merrick, vice-presidents; C. A. Bowman, Cashier; and R. C. Clemmer, asst. Cashier.

CAN PAY POLL TAX WITHOUT PAYING PROPERTY TAX

If you want to qualify to vote in elections that will be held this year you will have to pay your poll tax before January 31. You can pay your poll tax without paying property taxes, but you can't pay property taxes without paying the poll tax.

RAY MOTOR COMPANY TAKES THE CHEVROLET DEALERSHIP

Mrs. Roy Bond Buried At Cross Plains

Mrs. Roy Bond, 48, sister of Hon. Victor B. Gilbert, died at her home in Houston on Monday morning, Jan. 4th. The remains accompanied by Carlisle Bond, only surviving child of the deceased was brought back to Cross Plains, the childhood home of Mrs. Bond, for burial. Funeral services being held at the Baptist church Wednesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Graves Darby, the pastor, and interment was made in the family plot with her husband and two sons. Mr. Bond and one son died of influenza in 1918, and then less than two years ago, Victor Bond, another son, died, leaving only one son Carlisle, with whom Mrs. Bond has made her home for several years.

Mrs. Bond's maiden name was Edith Gilbert, she being a daughter of the late John T. Gilbert and wife, who were among the early residents of Cross Plains and most of her life was spent there.

Among the many relatives and friends who attended the funeral were: Hon. Victor B. Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Shackelford, Mrs. Albert Clements, son and daughter, Ernest Gilbert, Wyatt Gilbert, and Miss Patsie Der- rington.

Miss Jennie Harris Pre- sents Books To B. H. S. Library

Miss Jennie Harris of Admiral has presented a set of Thackeray's work, complete in twenty-six volumes to the Baird School Library.

Supt J. F. Boren wishes in behalf of the school to express their sincere appreciation to Miss Harris for this gift.

Comette Ramsey Will Receive B. S. Degree From C. I. A.

Miss Comette Ramsey, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Ramsey, of Abilene, is named among the nine students who will receive Bachelor of Science degrees from Texas State College for Women (C.I.A.) at mid-winter graduation exercises February 2. This is the second mid-winter commencement since the formal establishment of the college in 1903, last year marking the first winter exercises.

The usual program of June will be carried out by Dr. W. J. McConnell dean of the North Texas State Teachers' College of Denton delivering the address, and with observance of the traditional hooding ceremony by the little sisters of the seniors.

Miss Ramsey is majoring in Crafts and minoring in English. She represented the college at the Dallas Fair-fete for students in October.

A Kind Word For Baird People

Mr. and Mrs. John Brown of Montana spent last week in Baird selling popcorn, leaving Monday for Arkansas where they will live on a farm. Mrs. Brown stopped at The Star office Monday morning while Mr. Brown was getting the car filled up with gas, oil, etc., at the Red Top Service Station just across the street and said she wanted to say that the people of Baird were among the most friendly they have met and that they were very grateful to the people for the splendid patronage given them while here.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown had been ranching in Montana for some time but were forced to leave on account of the drought. They were traveling in a truck fixed up with living quarters and storage for their popcorn machine.

Ray's Motor Company is again Chevrolet dealers in Baird, having taken over the dealership Tuesday. Ray's Motor Company were Chevrolet dealers here for some ten or twelve years before relinquishing the dealership to the Lowe-Barker Chevrolet Company some few years ago. The latter firm went out of business the first of last year, since which time there has been no dealer here.

Ray's Motor Company were among the first Chevrolet dealers in this section. Lonnie Ray drove the first Chevrolet car ever sold in this county from Fort Worth, it taking him two days to make the trip. This was along about 1910 when there were no hard surface roads. The car which he drove was a Baby Grand Chevrolet and was sold to Tom Windham of Oplin. The Ray Motor Company did a great deal toward making the Chevrolet a popular car in Callahan county and Chevrolets outnumber any other car in the county by far. The Rays are among the oldest and strongest auto and garage people in this section, which again proves that cooperation is essential in building any business. This firm is made up of father and three sons, W. J. Ray, is the head of the firm and he is ably assisted by his sons, Lonnie, the eldest son has charge of the mechanical department, Rawleigh, the second son in charge of the sales department and Harold the youngest son, is in charge of the bookkeeping department and they all work together in a most harmonious manner, and are doing a good business.

They are expecting a carload of new Chevrolet cars about the 25th of this month.

Miss Viola Harris Re- ceives Appointment As Postmaster At Christoval

In a list of postmasters appointed in West Texas published in the daily press last Sunday is the name of Miss Viola L. Harris as postmaster at Christoval. Miss Harris has been acting postmaster at this place since the death of Maggie Haunnum, some months ago. Miss Viola with her mother, Mrs. M. L. Harris and sister Miss Thelma Harris formerly lived here. Miss Harris was with B. L. Boydston as bookkeeper for some time and later with the Jackson Abstract Co.

Luther Grantham Fatally Injured At Oil Well Near Monnahans

M. L. Grantham, 34, was fatally injured near Monnahans last Thursday evening while working on an oil well. He was carried to the hospital at Wink, where he died at 5 o'clock Sunday morning, without regaining consciousness after the accident.

The remains accompanied by Mrs. Grantham, were carried back to Eutaw Alabama, home of the deceased, for burial, leaving Monnahans Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Grantham lived in Baird for several years past, Mr. Grantham being engaged in oil well drilling, working for Jess Wilbanks. Some few months ago they went to Monnahans, where Mr. Wilbanks had the contract for drilling and it was while working at this well, Mr. Grantham was fatally injured.

Lee Estes and grandson, Fred Estes Jr., and Homer McIntosh went out to Wink on receipt of the news of the accident. Mr. Estes and Fred returned home Sunday afternoon and Mr. McIntosh remained to help Mr. Wilbanks with the well.

Mr. and Mrs. Grantham have many friends here, who regret his untimely death.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Thomas, who live near Cisco visited Mrs. Thomas' brother, Martin Barnhill, Tuesday.



THIS WEEK in WASHINGTON Special To The Baird Star (Autocaster)

Washington, D. C., January 15—One of the notable differences between the present Congress and all others, as shown by its work in the short time it has been sitting, is its great efficiency.

Instead Congress got right down to business and passed six important bills right off the reel and now is winnowing the chaff out of some nine thousand other bills that have been sent to committees for preliminary action.

One curious thing about the present Congress is the fact that the Senate is proving more radical in its tendencies than the Lower House.

There is a growing impression that before the present Congress dissolves it will have made important changes in the financial set-up of the United States.

One of the crying needs of the present day is a system to make land mortgages more liquid.

Another expected action by Congress is its sanction of the National Credit Corporation, which proposes to loan half a billion to real estate owners.

Investigation of the Farm Board's activities, now in the hands of the Senate, is expected to be broadened to allow the Lower House to take part in the probe.

It is also said that most of the talk against the high salaries paid to co-operative executives is largely Congressional bluster and has little support from the voters.

Another Bill that is said to be likely to pass is the one prohibiting announcement of lotteries and "fake" contests over the radio.

About three thousand economists, who held a four-day conference here,

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unofficially set the end of this year as the time when prosperity would start to return.

A noticeable thing about their predictions is that they all used a lot of ifs and ands in discussing the future.

Texas and Texans

by WILL H. MAYES Austin, Texas "All Texans for All Texans"

Making Best Of It

Making the best of it will make it the best. Whatever a condition may be it pays to make the best of it.

There is no need to try to fool ourselves into believing that 1932 is to be an easy year for everybody.

Texas Is All Right

Most of us have short memories. The real history of Texas started from a depression that drove Moses Austin from Missouri to seek a new fortune in a new country.

Winter Shipments

While people "up North" have been shivering in winter's blasts, Texas has been busy shipping them trainloads of fruits and vegetables gathered from open orchards and gardens.

homes and new crops are growing.

Winter Bathing

Winter bathing parties have become a pastime in Texas this winter. It is not at all unusual to see swimmers enjoying the waters of Texas bathing beaches and swimming pools.

Should Know Texas

Returning from a meeting of the Texas Centennial Committee at Austin, R. B. Creager, member of the committee from Brownsville, suggested to the people of the Rio Grande Valley that they move a section of the Lower Valley to the Texas Centennial wherever it might be held in 1936.

Kleburg Back Home

Congressman Kleburg of the San Antonio district, Texas newest member of Congress, rolled up his sleeves immediately on getting to Washington and began working for Texas.

Running For Congress

Prospects are that there will be a score or more candidates for Congress men at large from Texas, there being three places to fill.

Cuero Prospers

Cuero and DeWitt county do not know what "depression" means, except as they hear about it in other sections.

Failures

While many failures may be expected in 1932, the number probably will not exceed that of 1931.

Profit From Turkeys

Starting the season with eight turkey hens, a Dimmitt county farmer sold \$211 worth, gave one to the local editor, had plenty for family use and has 20 hens worth \$2.00 each, left as

a start for the next season. The feed was all home grown and the entire receipts were almost net.

Jasper County Park

Through the liberality of a generous land owner, Jasper county is to have a 50 acre State Park, which has already been donated and accepted.

School's Model Pasture

The vocational department of the Taylor public school has a model pasture in which experiments are conducted in every kind of grass and clover believed adaptable to the locality.

Church Gets Money

Baptists of Texas have raised in the past few months three-fourths of the \$6,350,000 Texas budget set as the goal in a campaign, about 50 per cent of the membership contributed to the fund.

Firm Gives Bonuses

An Austin printing firm has distributed \$14,000 in bonuses to its employees at Christmas, which shows that some printers are doing pretty well, thank you.

Did You Ever Stop To Think

(by Edson R. Waite) Shawnee, Okla.

Henry Bruere, President of the Bowery Savings Bank of New York City says:

That even the human race must be credited with the ability to learn something in five thousand years.

There are many persons who come to the years which are supposed to bring discretion with them who insist on believing that all the wisdom of the world is to be developed from the present onwards.

It knows, for example, that saving is a sound principle for a man to follow in this uncertain world if he wants to keep free and independent.

However wise we are, sometimes we are tempted to speculate and to buy things before we can afford them, thinking that tomorrow will find us better off.

After such periods of temptation we always learn again that prosperity comes and goes.

It pays to make preparation for the imperative necessity that needs to be taken care of no matter what else happens, such as meeting life insurance or a doctor's bill when salary stops or wages are temporarily shut off.

Everybody knows that millions act according to wise plans some of the time, but not enough people follow them as a matter of second nature and so provide themselves with most dependable safeguard against bad luck.

One Purpose for Flies One New York firm which imports pyrethrum flowers, used in insecticides, also raises flies to test the imported stock.

Peculiar Slang Word A portmanteau-word is a slang word by combining parts of two words and conveying the meaning of both; as, terrible, torrid and horrible.

JUST KIDS - A Dilemma!



Cotton In Transit Is Being Damaged, McDonald Reports

Great loss is being suffered by cotton owners through damage to cotton while in transit to ports and in storage through lack of protection from rain and dirt.

"The cotton is raggy, wet and dirty, which subtracts from its value, and it is not a commodity to be proud to own," he commented.

Cotton farmers and owners were warned to exercise diligent care in protecting their cotton from the elements. Each week thousands of bales of cotton reach Houston and Galveston, damaged and must be opened, picked clean of the ruined cotton and re-baled, he said.

"Farmers and other owners of cotton should see to it that his cotton goes directly from the gin into a rain-proof warehouse, and that while in transit it is well protected from rain and dirt," the commissioner warned.

Transportation of cotton by motor trucks was given as one cause of the damage, for usually when cotton is on a truck it is exposed, causing ruin by water and dirt being drawn into the bale.

Henry Ford Surrenders

If there ever was a dogmatic person that person is Henry Ford and it takes a mighty wallop to turn him from a course he has set out for himself.

The other day the little township of Nanking, in which the village of Inkster is located, undertook to borrow \$50,000 so as to feed 600 destitute negroes living there.

Somebody connected with the Red Cross must have appealed to Mr. Ford True to his custom he sent his investigators. The latter found that conditions were as bad as represented and even worse.

gauge holders to wait on home payments. Ford workers scurried around hunting odd jobs for such of the 600 as were able to work.

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PUTNAM NEWS

by Sallie Ann

Miss Thelma Everett is spending the week in Cottonwood visiting her sister, Mrs. Mae Coffey.

Mr. J. A. Kirkpatrick has moved his family back to Putnam from near Greenville where they have been living for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Eubank and family and Mrs. W. E. Pruet were visiting in Brownwood last week with Mrs. W. R. Francisco.

Miss Christine Settle of Baird visited Miss Roma Yarbrough last Wednesday and Thursday.

Mrs. Ida McCool, Misses Murline McCool and Thelma Everett were Baird visitors, Tuesday.

Mr. J. S. Yeager of Bradshaw spent the weekend in Putnam with his family.

Mr. Guy B. Austin of Cisco, was a business visitor in Putnam, Monday.

Misses Elsie Kelley, Shirley Cunningham and Jessie Tatom and Mr. Truett Little returned to Brownwood Sunday where they will resume their studies in Haward Payne College.

Miss Roma Yarbrough left Saturday for Lubbock where she will again take up her studies in Texas Tech College.

Miss Crysta Kennedy, who has been spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Kennedy and family, returned to Brackeville Texas where she will resume her work in the school.

Mrs. Callie Davis left Sunday for Roscoe, where she will visit her son and his family, Mr. Tom Wingo, for an extended time.

Mr. Freeman of Cross Plains was a visitor in Putnam last Friday.

Misses Bertha Guggolz and Francis McIntosh returned back to Putnam Sunday after spending the holidays with their parents, in Brownwood, to resume their work in the school.

Mrs. Janie Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Beauford Allen were Cisco visitors, Saturday.

Miss Martha Brock of Abilene was the week-end guest of Miss Melba Bray.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hicks and children of Abilene, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Hick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buchanan.

Mrs. J. S. Yeager and daughters, Mary, Ruth, and Mildred Yeager, spent New Year's Day in Cisco, guests of relatives.

Mrs. Fred Short and Misses Lois and Crysta Kennedy were Abilene visitors Thursday.

Miss Mary Yeager, teacher in Abilene school left Sunday where she will resume her work in the city.

Mrs. S. L. Seastrunk and little daughter, Mary Francis is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Buchanan.

Mr. Willis Hodges, who spent the holidays with his parents, in Sweetwater, returned Monday to resume his work in city school.

Brother Don H. Morris of Abilene Christian College preached at the Church of Christ last Sunday, there was a good attendance in spite of the bad weather. Bro. Morris preaches in Putnam at the Church of Christ every first and third Sundays. Every one is invited to come worship with us.

Misses Rena Ball and Lois Reese, who are guests of their parents in Abilene through the holidays resumed their work in Putnam Monday morning.

Mrs. John L. Higdon and children of Abilene, and Mrs. Rayford Gustafsen and son of Cisco, were guests of their aunt, Mrs. J. S. Yeager and family Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Culwell, Mrs. J. F. Butler and Mr. and Mrs. J. Y. Culwell were Abilene and Merkel visitors.

Mr. H. H. Buchanan was a business visitor in Baird, Tuesday.

Mr. W. O. Hampton and daughter, Dorothy, of Cisco, were Putnam visitors, Tuesday.

Miss Helen Gray of Cross Plains was the week-end guest of Miss Alwilda Shackelford.

Citrus Certification Program Is Started

By State

Taking the "gamble" and chance out of the production end of the citrus industry is the aim of the Texas Department of Agriculture in initiating a program of citrus stock certification.

J. M. Del Curto, chief entomologist in charge of the work, illustrates the value of the certification work this way:

"Each tree in an orchard is similar to a machine unit in a factory. If it does not produce satisfactorily, it is a costly overhead. But if every unit is producing properly, then the owner will get a full return for his investment. If stock for an orchard is chosen indiscriminately, the chances are some of it may be good and it is

certain some will be of poor quality. "If, after the orchard-owner has spent much time and money tending the tree during the three years before it bears, it does not produce the quality or quantity of fruit expected, the owner will not get the profit expected. But if all of the trees are of good stock that bear high quality fruit, and lots of it during an early period, then the orchard will pay. The nursery stock is the determining element in a successful orchard."

Through the certification program, reliable sources of stock, with 'pedigrees' as to their origin, productiveness and quality during previous years will be made available to those planters who want to eliminate, as far as possible, the variable factors and make certain the type and probable production of the trees that they plant.

Every tree from which certified stock is to be taken is numbered on maps furnished the department by growers. A system of "check and double check" will enable the prospective buyer to see the actual tree from which his stock was taken, and to learn how much of what quality fruit it has produced since it started bearing.

Any grower whose nursery stock meets the standards set up by the department can obtain certification of his stock for only the cost of printing the bright red tags that are to be attached to stock that is certified. The department makes no charge for its service.

E. L. Schostag, in charge of the program in the Valley, expects about fifteen or twenty nurserymen to apply for certification of their stock this year. Because the department is laying a strong groundwork for the program, the small number who have indicated they will apply for registration as certified growers this year is satisfactory, Schostag declared.

Inspectors of the department have been quietly at work for several months obtaining production records of various orchards in the Valley whose owners are applying.

Ceremonies will attend certification of the first tree, which will be during the middle of this month. The tree to be the first certified is one grown from a bud of a tree grown in a grove near Donna, on which the performance record has been kept since it started bearing eight years ago.

Plant Board Meet Set For Jan. 16

Formulation of a reciprocal agreement with surrounding states for certification of out-of-state cotton seed will be one of the two major problems facing the Texas Seed and Plant Board when it meets in Dallas, Jan. 16, concurrently with the meeting of the Texas Certified Cotton Breeders Association, according to R. V. Miller secretary of the Board, in charge of cotton and field seed certification work of the Department of Agriculture.

Considering the matter from the angle of Texas laws, the Board will study the question hoping that certification programs in all states can be put upon the same basis, Miller said. At present there are no definite agreements between the southern states, although Oklahoma, Arkansas and Louisiana have been recognizing Texas seed stocks for certification.

Consideration will be given by the board to methods of embodying new regulations regarding the quality of cotton seed so that in the future additional stress will be laid upon the quality of cotton in certification of seed. The purpose of the quality regulation will be to give the purchaser of the certified seed additional information from the standpoint of staple quality and character, as well as information on the varietal purity of the seed.

Applications for permission to grow certified cotton seed will be heard and considered at the meeting. A meeting at College Station early in February will conclude consideration of applications for this season.

Cowboy Films To Front Again

The hard riding, sun tanned men of the cow country are galloping back to the screen.

The suave, sleek gang leaders and their machine gun killers almost replaced them for a time, but gradually are giving ground before the men who tamed America's frontiers.

Scuffers may call the cowboy films "horse operas" but those who pay their way past box offices in small towns and in neighborhood theaters of the big cities like lean, red blooded action in the great out of doors. The boys and girls who save nickels and dimes for Saturday matinees thrill to the big sombrero and chaps and the tinkle of spurs and clang of hoofs.

The Western film is coming back, but with a new formula. The hero is as quick as ever on the draw, but he

uses this skill chiefly as a threat. When he fights it usually is with his fists. He is a two-fisted, rather than a two-gun man. And he needs no liquor to key himself up in the face of dangers. The bad men do most of the smoking and hard drinking.

The talkies dealt the Westerns a harder blow than garter competition, but the difficulties of recording sounds in the open largely have been overcome. Tom Mix turned to the circus for two years when the talkies came and a ruptured appendix has further delayed his return to films. Within a few weeks, however, he will begin making the first of a series of six pictures, for which he will receive a reported \$150,000.

Buck Jones is making his sixteenth picture for one studio and has a schedule of eight a year.

The Jones films have turned out so well this same studio has placed Tim McCoy under a three-year contract calling for eight pictures a year. Ken Maynard has just completed a series of eight and is about to start another of six.

Hoot Gibson, who had bad luck after the expiration of one contract, has just completed six pictures for an independent producer and is to make eight more, dividing his time between air and Western films. Two of his stories written by Peter B. Kyne, Tom Keene is on the fourth of a series of eight films. Jack Hoxie, Bob Steele, Tom Tyler, Bill Cody and Buffalo Bill Jr., are making about eight pictures each year.

Then in Westerns with perhaps less action and more romance have been Warner Baxter and his Cisco Kid impersonations and George O'Brien, seen chiefly in the Zane Grey adaptations.

The rodeo influence is becoming stronger in all the Westerns, with their turn from repeated gun play, there is more bronc busting and plain and fancy roping, but still plenty of rugged he-man fighting.

School For Grain Growers Planned

R. V. Miller, secretary of the Texas Seed and Plant Board, has called a meeting of the certified grain sorghum growers to meet in Lubbock, Jan. 14 and 15, concurrently with a grain school to be conducted by the Texas Technological College. About 30 or 40 growers are expected to attend.

Producers of certified grain seeds and all growers interested in different sorghums will be given an opportunity to study various operations in the growing and marketing of the crops, according to information from H. J. Bower, head of the agronomy department of the college.

Addresses scheduled for the meeting will be on the following subjects: Weed Problems, Principles of Culture and Tillage, Certification of Seed, and Methods of Breeding. Miller will deliver the address on seed certification.

Broadway Of America Highway Association Now Planning For Next Convention At San Diego

Preparations for the annual convention of the Broadway of America Highway Association are now under way at Association Headquarters in El Paso. F. O. Mackey, president, said today. The convention will be held in San Diego, Calif., next April. Grady Bell, who as special representative spent several months along the route of the Broadway in field organization work, is now in headquarters office assisting Mackey in perfecting plans and details for the convention.

"The officers and directors of the Association are making plans for an extended campaign of scientifically planned advertising of the Broadway of America route to be inaugurated at this convention," Bell said. "From reports received by Mr. Mackey, he confidently expects to see the Broadway become the most popular of all transcontinental highways within a short time. Tourists are becoming increasingly aware of the delightful coast to coast traveling that the Broadway of America provides throughout all seasons of the year."

San Diego, the California terminus of the Broadway, has already provided a huge budget for convention entertainment and is planning a royal reception for visitors. Visitors from inland cities will be provided with ocean trips. Also, there will be yachting, racing, flying and fishing in addition to many other kinds of entertainment.

"In view of the keen interest being shown by Broadway cities, and the unusual and varied entertainment that San Diego is planning for the convention," Mackey said, "the officers of the Association expect to see all attendance records broken. The highway is in splendid shape from coast

to coast and it will be a trip worth while to everyone along the Broadway of America.

Callahan County Inter-scholastic League

PROGRAM

Baird, Texas, March 25 & 26, 1932

Friday Morning, March 25
Nine O'Clock
General Assembly in Grammar School Auditorium.

All Essay Writing Contests.
Arithmetic Contests.
Basketball Finals, Junior Boys and Junior Girls.

Picture Memory Contests.
These contests will be arranged to avoid conflict if possible.

Friday Afternoon
One O'Clock
Tennis finals, Singles and Doubles, Boys and Girls.

Playground finals, Junior Boys and Junior Girls.
Basket Ball finals, Ruray School Junior Boys, Senior Boys and Senior Girls.

Volley Ball, Girls.
Friday Evening, 7:30
Debates, Finals for Boys and Girls, High School Declamations, Junior and Senior, Boys and Girls.

Extemporaneous Speaking.
Saturday Morning, March 26
Nine O'Clock

All Spelling Contests.
TRACK AND FIELD EVENTS

120 yd high hurdles.....Senior Boys
50 yd dash.....Junior Boys
100 yd dash.....Senior Boys
100 yd dash.....Junior Boys
880 yd run.....Senior Boys
440 yd relay.....Junior Boys
140 yd relay.....Senior Girls
30 yd dash.....Junior Girls

220 yd low hurdles.....Senior Boys
Chinning the bar.....Junior Boys
440 yd dash.....Senior Boys
Running High Jump.....Junior Boys
220 yd dash.....Senior Boys
Running Broad Jump.....Junior Boys
1 mile run.....Senior Boys

FIELD EVENTS
Pole Vault.....Senior Boys
Broad Jump.....Senior Boys
Discus Throw.....Senior Boys
High Jump.....Senior Boys
12 lb Shot Put.....Senior Boys
Javelin Throw.....Senior Boys

Saturday Evening, 7:15
Singing contests—Rural and Grammar School Juniors (See Bulletin).
High School and Rural Seniors

Songs: "Have Thine Own Way"; "Spanish Cavalier"; "Texas My Texas".
Declamation: Rural School, Juniors and Seniors, Boys and Girls.

No medals or pennants will be awarded

Texas' First Farm Census Promises To Be Great Help

Austin, Jan. 9.—Texas' first farm census is being taken by county tax assessors under authorization of a law passed by the forty-second legislature, the information compiled to be used by farmers in determining the crops that would be most profitable and the best methods to be followed in marketing.

While the farm census will include a survey of all agricultural activities, farmers will be asked how much of their land was planted to cotton in 1930 and 1931, and how much will be planted to this staple in 1932. This information will be used in administering the Texas cotton acreage control law.

Data obtained in the census will be used jointly by the federal and state crop reporting services, Carl H. Robinson, senior federal statistician stationed at Austin, declaring the census will be of great aid to the government in making its reports more accurate. The tax assessors will receive no pay for taking the census.

The information will be held confidential and its use by speculators will be prohibited. The questionnaire prepared by the statisticians will develop the number of acres being planted to the various staple crops; the number of tenant families in each land owners holdings; the number and kind of trees of bearing age; the number of steam pressure canning devices and the number and kinds of live stock.

J. E. McDonald, Texas commissioner of agriculture, said the census would furnish a guide for farmers in planting crops so as to avoid the evils of overproduction and give them more accurate information on which to base their planting estimates.

The information obtained from each farmer will not be used in checking tax evasions and individual operations will not be disclosed under any circumstances, only the tax assessors and the statisticians being permitted to see the individual returns. The computations of the data, however, will be made public and published in gov-

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Breakfast probably has a stronger mental reaction than any other meal of the day. Somehow the whole big, bright, sunshiny world seems against a man until he has a warm, comforting, sustaining breakfast tucked away under his waistcoat. After that every man is his neighbor, and it's a pretty good life after all.

It's Worth While
It's worth while to start him—and them—and yourself, yes, don't forget yourself—off right, to business, school, or the ordinary wear and tear of a domestic day—and it is only a matter of foresight and a few minutes preparation. In the following menu the foresight has all been foreseen. It just means a modest order to the grocery man and a slight advancement of your morning schedule.


"Better Breakfasts" are appearing frequently in these columns. Why not a scrapbook of "Better Breakfasts" with the illustration above on its cover?

MENU
Pineapple Bran Slices
Ham and Eggs
Corn Bread Raspberry Jam
Coffee

Pineapple Bran Slices: Chill one can of Hawaiian sliced pineapple, drain well and dip in honey until coated. Roll thickly in bran flakes. Serves eight.*

ment reports. McDonald pointed out that, while the census would be of most benefit to the farmers, that it also would be beneficial to all lines of business, since all were more or less interdependent. The reports will furnish a close connection between agriculture and other lines of business, he said. By having accurate information available, handlers of farm products will be able to cut down their handling margins considerably because they will be permitted to operate on a more definite basis than heretofore. McDonald pointed out. Reduction of the handling margin will permit marketing units to pay maximum prices to producers of farm products.

WANTED:—Position as house keeper for elderly couple or small family. Write R. S. G., care The Baird Star, Baird Texas.



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* fit most by the proper exercise of
* themselves. I call on you friends, to
* go and attend the services of the
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* The hours of meeting at our church
* are:
* Sunday
* 10:00 A. M. Sunday School
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* 3:00 P. M. W. M. S.
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* 7:30 P. M. Prayer Meeting
* Thursday
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* We want you, we expect you, and
* will help you if you come.
* Rev. Joe R. Mayes

Think On These Things

* WHOLESOME MEDITATION *
* (Selected by Bro. Andrews) *
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OUR SURETY

"By so much as Jesus made A SURETY OF A BETTER TESTAMENT."

And they truly were many priests, because they were not suffered to continue by reason of death:

But this man, because he continueth ever, hath an unchangeable priesthood. Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them."

No. 77 Heb. 7:22-25.

NOTICE OF BANKRUPT'S PETITION FOR DISCHARGE

In the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of Texas.

In the matter of Spencer Bryan Miller, doing business as Miller Drug Store, Bankrupt. No. 1417 in Bankruptcy.

OFFICE OF REFEREE

Abilene, Texas, Jan. 8, 1932. Notice is hereby given that Spencer Bryan Miller, as aforesaid of the County of Callahan, and district aforesaid, did, on the 7th day of January 1932 file in the Clerk's office of said Court, at Abilene, a petition setting up that he has been heretofore duly adjudged a bankrupt under the act of Congress approved July 1, 1898; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said acts and of the orders of the Court touching his bankruptcy, and praying for a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate in bankruptcy, save such debts as are excepted by law from such discharge. On considering the above mentioned petition, it is ordered that any creditor who has proved his claim and other parties in interest, if they desire to oppose the discharge prayed for in said petition, shall, on or before the 18th day of February 1932, file with the Referee for the Abilene Division of said district, a notice in writing of their opposition to a discharge in the above entitled cause. D. M. OLDHAM, Jr., Referee in Bankruptcy.

Church of Christ

Our attendance was unusually good Sunday. Be with us next Lord's Day. The subject for the morning will be "The Jerusalem Church," and for the evening, "The punishment Of Sin." All who have food or clothing for the needy, please get it to the church between now and Monday evening. Thos. McDonald

With Baird Baptist

These days are good ones for us; lots of water, no money, so we have to go on grace, little prospects, so we have to work on faith, so you see we really shine at a time like this. Well after all why should we have worry? There is just one thing that lasts, a forever, and those things we do for God and our fellows. We can do that as well or better now as any time. I call all of you whoremasters to do these three things: First, pray, every one ought to pray and pray every day so lets pray; Second, read the bible, read it every day, some of it, and study it, meditate upon it, try to find out just what it says to you and about you, search out promises and warnings, you will find it a great book and full of interest and profit if you will take the pains to seek it out; Third, go to church, why should any one stay away from church services? Now is the time for every one to pro-

16 total acres of potatoes and sweet potatoes harvested on this farm in 1931, including those for home use as well as those harvested for sale. Under item 17 give total acres of other vegetables and truck crops, including watermelons and cantaloupes harvested for sale only. Report acreages under these three items to the nearest tenth of an acre. (Examples: 3/10, 7/10, etc.).

18. Show total acres of crops other than those listed that were harvested on this farm in 1931. (Include barley, rye, rice, broom-corn, etc.).

19. Give total number of fruit trees, including citrus trees, of bearing age on this farm on January 1, 1932.

20. Give total number of pecan trees of bearing age on this farm on January 1, 1932.

21. Show total number of cows and heifers of milking age kept for milking purposes on this farm or ranch on January 1, 1932. Include dry cows kept for milk as well as those in milk but do not include young heifers not yet freshened.

22. Give total number of hens and pullets of laying age on this farm on January 1, 1932.

23. Give total number of turkeys of all ages on this farm or ranch on January 1, 1932.

24-26. Give total number of animals slaughtered on this farm during 1931. Do not include animals sold alive for slaughter.

27. Show number of steam pressure canners on this farm.

28. Show whether this farm is operated to the greater extent with stock or with tractors.

GENERAL

If owner or occupant on farm has moved since 1931, and last year's report cannot be secured from him secure report from the best source available.

EXCERPTS FROM CHAPTER 278 OF THE GENERAL LAWS OF 1931, STATE OF TEXAS

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. From and after the passage of this act, it shall be the duty of the Commissioner of Agriculture to gather, compile, and disseminate statistical information relating to farm acres, crop acreages, natural resources, and products thereof in such form and under such rules and regulations as he may prescribe not inconsistent with the provisions of this act.

Section 9. Co-operation with Federal Government—The Commissioner of Agriculture is authorized by this act to enter into an agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture for co-operative work in the collections, publications, and dissemination of agricultural statistics.

Section 2. It shall be the duty of each county tax assessor to collect annually all information referred to in Section 1 of this act, in such form as may be called for by the Commissioner of Agriculture.

Section 3. The Commissioner of Agriculture shall furnish each tax assessor blanks and instructions as may be necessary in the collection of said statistical information referred to in Section 1 of this act.

Section 4. Each assessor or his deputies shall gather the statistics mentioned in Section 1 of this act by a personal interview with the owner or operator of each farm or with his manager or agent if any can be found; if not, then he shall obtain such information from the most reliable source available.

Section 5. The annual enumeration of the statistics referred to in Section 1 of this act shall be made at the time the general assessments for taxes is being made, and the original enumeration together with all unused portions of blanks or books furnished by the Commissioner of Agriculture shall be returned to the Commissioner of Agriculture not later than June 1st, 1932.

Section 6. Any person, firm, or corporation who shall furnish an assessor or his deputies any information knowing the same to be incorrect, or any person, firm, or corporation who shall refuse to furnish information shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be fined not less than twenty-five (\$25) and not more than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500).

Section 8. Any assessor who shall fail or refuse to perform wholly or in part the services required by this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined a sum of not less than one hundred dollars (\$100) nor more than five hundred dollars (\$500).

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Announcement Fees	
All District Offices.....	\$10.00
County Offices	
County Judge.....	\$10.00
County Clerk.....	10.00
County Treasurer.....	10.00
Tax Collector.....	10.00
Tax Assessor.....	10.00
Sheriff.....	10.00
County Commissioners.....	10.00
County Attorney.....	5.00
District Clerk.....	5.00
Constable.....	2.50
Justice of the Peace.....	2.50
Payable when announcements made	
No accounts carried.	

The following announcements are made subject to the action of the Democratic Primary to be held July 23, 1932.

- For County Judge: J. H. CARPENTER Re-election
- For County Clerk: S. E. SETTLE Re-election
- For County Treasurer: MRS. WILL MICOY Re-election
- For Tax Collector: Wm. J. EVANS Re-election
- For County Commissioner, Prec't No. 1: J. W. HAMMONS Re-election
- CLAUDE H. TARRANT of Eula
- For County Commissioner Prec't No. 3: C. E. BRAY Re-election
- For Commissioner, Precinct No. 2: SIDNEY S. HARVILLE Re-election
- For Sheriff: R. L. EDWARDS Re-election
- For Tax Assessor: E. D. (Eddie) PRIEST of Cross Plains
- For District Clerk: MRS. FORD DRISKILL of Baird
- MRS. CALLIE MARSHALL Re-election
- CITY ELECTION
- To be held Tuesday, April 4, 1932.
- For City Marshall: J. C. BARRINGER Re-election

REPORT OF CONDITION OF THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

OF BAIRD, IN THE STATE OF TEXAS; AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON DECEMBER 31, 1931

RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts.....	\$448,296.01
Overdrafts.....	.83
United States Government securities owned.....	130,850.00
Other bonds, stocks, and securities owned.....	49,200.25
Banking house, \$3,500.00 Furniture & fixtures, \$4,200.....	7,700.00
Real estate owned other than banking house.....	3,522.40
Reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.....	37,020.46
Cash and due from banks.....	70,153.18
Outside checks and other cash items.....	39.51
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and due from U. S. Treasurer.....	1,250.00
Total.....	\$748,032.64

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in.....	\$ 50,000.00
Surplus.....	25,000.00
Undivided profits—net.....	8,974.57
Circulating notes outstanding.....	25,000.00
Due to banks, including certified and cashiers' checks outstanding.....	4,617.15
Demand deposits.....	473,199.28
Time deposits.....	137,641.69
Bills payable and rediscounts.....	20,000.00
Other liabilities.....	3,670.00
Total.....	\$748,032.64

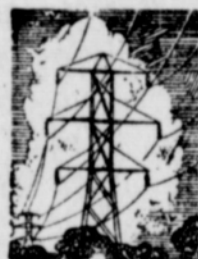
State of Texas, County of Callahan, ss: I, Bob Norrell, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of January, 1932. J. RUPERT JACKSON, Notary Public.

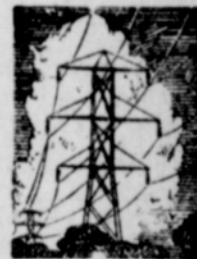
CORRECT—Attest:
TOM WINDHAM
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The Bank for Everybody

West Texas Utilities Company

PERSONALS

Mrs. and Mrs. Charlie Straley of Oplin were in Baird Tuesday.

Tom Windham and John Jorden of Oplin were in Baird Tuesday.

Leonard Ground visited relatives in Big Spring Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Susie Wagley of Moran was in Baird Saturday.

Grover Windham of Oplin spent the week-end in Baird.

Miss Lura Glen Ince of Abilene, spent Sunday with Nell Herron.

Hilary Windham of Tecumseh was in Baird last Saturday.

Elaine Ferne Jones participated in the childrens program over K. F. Y. O. at Abilene, last Saturday.

Misses Vera and Maymie Walker, of Merkel, spent the week-end in Baird the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker.

Miss Myrtle Boydston was called to Rockwall some days ago to the bedside of her aunt, Mrs. Belle Lowe, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. M. J. Gilliland returned home last Friday from Kerrville where she spent the holidays with her daughter, Miss Alice Gilliland.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ashlock are visiting relatives and friends in Sherman, Denison, Tom Bean and White-wright.

Mrs. Fred Alvord, who has been in Abilene for sometime, is now with her daughter, Mrs. N. M. George and family on the ranch east of Baird.

Mayor H. Schwartz and Mrs. Schwartz are visiting their daughter Mrs. Max Levi and family in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Miss Pauline Terrell, has returned to Ft. Worth after spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. J. H. Terrell. Miss Pauline is a teacher in the Ft. Worth public school.

Mrs. L. E. Marshall and sons, Carl and Hamilton, Miss Geraldine Leverette of Ft. Worth, spent Sunday and Monday in Baird, visiting relatives and friends.

J. D. Richardson, who spent the holidays with his parents here, has returned to his school work, in the Deaf and Dumb School at Austin.

Miss Edith Hammons was among the Baird college students returning to their school work after spending the holidays at home. Miss Hammons is a student in Baylor Womens College at Belton.

Willard and Norris Kelton have returned to Texas Tech at Lubbock to resume their school work after spending the holidays with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Kelton, at the ranch at Belle Plaine.

Bill Hamlett left Wednesday morning for St. Louis where he will attend the University of St. Louis to complete his pre-medical work preparatory to entering medical school. Bill is a graduate of the Baird High School and later attended Texas Tech at Lubbock.

Mrs. J. E. Malin and children, Larry and Joann, who spent the holidays with the home folks at S. E. Webb farm, returned home in Amarillo, Sunday. They said it snowed all Sunday night and the biggest snow she ever saw was on the ground.

Mrs. W. H. Wristen was called to Ft. Worth on Thursday of last week on account of illness of her sister-in-law, Mrs. R. F. Dickerson, who is slowly improving. She was accompanied by her son, Robert, and daughter, Mrs. Lee Franks of Coleman, returning Saturday afternoon.

C. S. Boyles of Sweetwater, was in Baird Wednesday, having some dental work done by Dr. V. E. Hill, and visiting with old friends. Mr. Boyles was for many years a resident of Baird, being engaged in the hardware saddle and harness business here. He is now in the automobile business handling Willys Overland cars. He made The Star office a pleasant visit.

BAIRD CHICK HATCHERY

The hatchery will open Monday, Jan. 18th. Rates have been reduced to \$2.00 per tray—all who want trays should reserve them at once. 6-2t H. A. Warren, Mgr. Phone 89

WANTED:—Position as house keeper for elderly couple or small family. Write R. S. G., care The Baird Star, Baird Texas

TO THE VOTERS OF COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT No.1

I take this method in making my announcement as a candidate for the office of County Commissioner of Precinct No.1, subject to the action of the Democratic Primaries in July. I earnestly solicit your support and influence, and if elected, I promise to conduct the duties of this office in an honest, efficient and economical manner.

Respectfully yours,
CLAUDE H. TARRANT

TO THE PUBLIC

I have given up the Callahan Hotel Mrs. Ross, the owner has been fair in her relations with me.

Mr. C. J. Redwine, who assumes proprietorship of the hotel has been a gentleman and shown me every consideration.

I ask for him a continuance of the patronage you have so kindly extended me.

Mrs. S. A. D. Ground.

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Subscription Bargain Days Will Soon Be Over

Bargain Day on Subscription to The Star will expire on Jan. 31st, after which date the regular rate of \$1.50 in the county and \$2.00 outside, will be in effect on all subscriptions.

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Baird, Texas



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I take this opportunity of announcing as candidate for re-election of Commissioner of my Precinct, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary in July, 1932.

I deeply appreciate the co-operation and good-will you have shown me in the past year and if you honor me with a second term I promise to render my best service, devoting all my time to the duties of the office.

Thanking you again,
Respectfully,
C. E. BRAY

L. O. O. F. INSTALL OFFICERS

Baird Lodge L. O. O. F., installed the following officers at their regular meeting, Tuesday night, S. E. Settle acting as installing officer:

U. C. Hamilton, N. G.; Stafford Alexander, V. G.; George Nitschke, Sec.; O. B. Jarrett, Treas.; S. I. Smith, Warden; H. S. Schwartz, Cond.; J. S. Gossett, I. G.; O. L. Black, R. S. to N. G.; Gilbert Hinds, L. S. to N. G.; O. G. South, R. S. to V. G.; W. D. Tate, L. S. to V. G.; O. Nitschke, Chaplain; M. F. Hammonds, R. S. S.; J. H. Hughes, L. S. S.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE

The State of Texas, County of Callahan:

By virtue of an order of sale, issued out of the Honorable District Court of Callahan County, Texas, in cause No.7646, on a judgment rendered in said Court on the 22nd day of Dec. A. D. 1931, in favor of Mrs. S. J. Hamilton and against J. T. Kelley and N. E. Kelley, I did on the 13th day of January, 1932, levy upon the following described tracts and parcels of land, situated in Callahan County, Texas, as the property of said J. T. Kelley and N. E. Kelley, to-wit:

All of Lots Numbered One (1), two (2), and three (3) in Block Number Nineteen (19), in the City of Putnam, in said Callahan County, Texas, and on the FIRST day of March, 1932, being the first Tuesday of said month between the hours of 10 o'clock a. m. and 4 o'clock p. m. on said day, at the courthouse door of said County, at Baird, Texas, I will offer for sale and sell at public auction for cash, all the right, title and interest of the said J. T. Kelley and N. E. Kelley in and to said property.

R. L. EDWARDS, Sheriff,
Callahan County, Texas

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SOCIAL NEWS

Please report all social news to the Star office. Thanks.

WEDNESDAY CLUB

The Wednesday Club met January 13, with Mrs. Short at Mrs. Blackburn's.

Fifteen members answered roll call with current events.

The following program on Ethics was rendered:

The Shifting Centre of Morality—Mrs. Blackburn

The Wages of Hate—Mrs. Settle.

The Harm That Good Men Do—Mrs. White

The Fool's Prayer—Edward Roland

Sill—Mrs. Russell

PYTHIAN BOOSTER CLUB

Wednesday evening, Jan. 6, The Pythian Booster Club met at the home of Mrs. Mary Kehrler. Meeting was called to order in due form. After the business being completed the members and guests spent a very pleasant hour with "42" games, music and talks. A dainty lunch was served to the following: Mesdames Lee Estes

Fred Estes, E. C. Fulton, B. Andrews, Lones, Wm. Kehrler, Stevenson, S. I. Smith, Hensley, M. Franklin, W. Barnhill, A. T. Vestal, W. A. Meyers, A. T. Vestal Jr., Bob Jacobs and Miss Dorothy Barnhill, Jaunita Johnson, Susie Lee Smith, M. O. Vestal, Helen Fulton, Betty Jane Estes, Virginia Stevenson, Bobby Jean Jacobs, Goley Charlene Johnson.

METHODIST MISSIONARY SOCIETY

The Missionary Society of the Methodist church met Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock with Mrs. W. T. Wheeler as leader. A Missionary Voice program was rendered and highly appreciated by the good crowd present.

The Society will meet next Monday afternoon at the same hour with Mrs. H. H. Shaw, as leader. Social Relations will be the subject for the meeting.

LADIES AID SOCIETY

Mrs. E. C. Fulton entertained the Ladies Aid Society Monday, Jan 11, from 3 to 5 in a surprise social to honor Mesdames R. L. Elliott and Mary Kehrler, the occasion being their birthday. Mrs. Fulton presented each an autograph album in which the guests wrote a verse wishing them many more happy birthdays.

Refreshments were served to the guests.

BIRTHDAY PARTY

Mrs. Cecil West entertained last Saturday afternoon from 3 to 5 in honor of her little son, Cecil Jr., the occasion being his fifth birthday. The hours were spent in games after which the birthday cake was cut and served with jello to the little guests.

Little friends preent to participate in the pleasures of this happy birthday were: Dorothy Estes, Wanda

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Fred Sage, Alex Satterwhite, Alma Glover, Ellen Louise Nunnally, Laverne Sage, Bonnie Black Laverne Edwards of Denton community, Ida Louise Fetterley, Elsie Marie Hudson and Shelba Jones.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on the 8th day of Feb. A. D. 1932, at 10 o'clock A. M. the Commissioners Court of Coleman County, Texas, will receive sealed proposals from any banking corporation, association or individual banker in any adjoining county that may desire to be selected as the depository of the funds of such county, including the trust funds now in the hands of the County and District Clerk, which bid must be accompanied by a cashier's check for \$2,000.00.

A. O. NEWMAN

County Judge

PIANO RECITAL

Miss Glenn McGowen presented her piano pupils in an entertaining recital Monday evening at the high school auditorium.

Miss Jewel Grimes assisted with a group of readings and Miss Billie Griggs with a song and tap dance.

Musical selections were rendered by the following: Billy Hollingshead,

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Chevrolet	4.75-20	\$6.43	\$12.48	Hudson	H.D.		
Whippet				Stu'b'b'y	H.D.		
Erskine	4.75-20	\$6.43	\$12.48	La Salle	6.00-20	\$10.95	\$21.24
Plymouth				Packard	H.D.		
Chandler				Pierce A.	6.00-21	\$11.10	\$21.54
DeSoto				H.D.			
Dodge				Buick	6.00-22	\$11.00	\$22.50
Durant				H.D.			
Gr. Paige	5.00-19	\$6.05	\$12.90	Stutz	6.50-20	\$12.05	\$24.54
Postell				H.D.			
Removolt				Cadillac	7.00-20	\$14.05	\$28.42
Willys-K.				Lincoln	H.D.		
Emm	5.00-20	\$6.75	\$13.10	Packard			
Nash							
Reo	5.00-21	\$6.98	\$13.54				
Studebaker							
Olds	5.25-18	\$7.53	\$14.00				
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News Review of Current Events the World Over

United States Warns Japan It Is Violating the Nine-Power Treaty—President Prods Congress on Relief Measures.

By EDWARD W. PICKARD

JAPAN has been formally notified that in the opinion of the American government she is violating the nine-power treaty by her actions in Manchuria. The United States does not recognize as legal Japan's occupation of the country. China and Japan are both warned that Washington will not recognize any agreement entered into by them which violates the open-door pact or the Kellogg anti-war treaty.

These statements were forwarded in identical notes to Tokyo and Nanking by Secretary of State Stimson, who immediately thereafter called in the diplomatic representatives of the signatories to the nine-power pact and told them what he had done. It was expected that Great Britain and some of the other powers would follow the American example. Mr. Stimson declined to say what could or would be done if Japan persists in violations of the treaty. The nine-power pact calls for no other action than "full and frank communication between the contracting powers concerned" in case of an emergency. The Kellogg treaty calls for no military or diplomatic steps.

The Japanese forces in Manchuria moved on southward from Chinchow and occupied Shanhai-kwan, the gateway to China, situated where the Great Wall reaches the coast. Their garrison in Tientsin was heavily increased and a "grand review" was held there.

Earlier in the week the Washington administration was aroused by an attack made on American Consul Culver B. Chamberlain by Japanese soldiers in Mukden. Formal protest brought an apology from the Japanese ambassador in Washington but Mr. Stimson let him know that the incident would not be considered closed until the offenders had been adequately punished. For this affair, as for all its actions in Manchuria, the Japanese government sought to put forward excuses and explanations which in most cases appear to be ready made to fit the circumstances.

On Friday a bomb was hurled in Tokyo by a young Korean in an effort to assassinate Emperor Hirohito. It exploded near the carriage preceding that occupied by the ruler, and no one was injured.

GREAT disturbance in the French government was caused by the death of Andre Maginot, minister of war, and it appeared certain there would be changes in the cabinet. Some observers expected Briand would be forced out and that Tardieu would succeed him as foreign minister. Maginot was responsible for the government's strong military attitude and originated the plan for a great chain of fortresses along the eastern border.

WITH President Hoover appealing to congress for speedy and nonpartisan action on the relief measures he has recommended, the Democrats began to push forward the first of their party bills of major importance. This is a tariff bill not designed to alter existing rates but to deprive the Chief Executive of his control over the flexible provisions of the present act. It also calls on the President to summon an international conference for the reduction of tariff rates.



J. W. Collier

This measure, which was introduced by Representative James W. Collier of Mississippi, Democratic chairman of the house ways and means committee, had the approval of the congressional Democratic joint policy committee. It would take away the power now enjoyed by the President to accept or reject, as he alone sees fit, the recommendations made by the tariff commission, under the flexible provisions of the Smoot-Hawley act. It would give congress the final right to determine whether or not the commission's findings justify a change in rates.

Supported by all the Democrats and probably some of the independent Republicans, this bill, it was admitted, had a good chance to get through both houses but not with a sufficient margin to pass it over the presidential veto that might be expected.

MR. HOOVER'S plea for quick action on relief bills was made in a special message. The measures for which he spoke especially included the bill already passed by the house to increase the capitalization of the federal land bank system by a sum between \$100,000,000 and \$125,000,000; the bill to create a federally financed \$500,000,000 "reconstruction finance corporation"; the bill to create a home loan discount system capitalized by the government at a minimum of \$150,000,000; and a bill to liberal-

ize the rediscount provisions of the federal reserve system.

The President also urged a plan to release the assets of closed banks, a revision of the transportation act with a view to strengthening the value of railroad bonds, and a revision of the banking laws, the better to protect depositors.

Senate and house leaders of both parties promised to aid the President's proposals. The senate started relief affairs in its own way by passing Senator Capper's resolution authorizing the distribution to the needy of 40,000,000 bushels of stabilization wheat held by the farm board, through the administration of the American Red Cross and other organizations. The farm board is to be credited with the market price of the wheat at the time of the transaction.

John Barton Payne, chairman of the Red Cross, said that that organization would gladly undertake the distribution, and later before the house committee on agriculture he not only spoke in favor of this bill, but encouraged the introduction of a bill to treat farm board cotton in the same fashion, so that cotton goods may be donated to those lacking clothing. Mr. Payne was explicit on one point. He wanted the exact duties of the Red Cross as distributing agent definitely set out in the bill. Out of his experience, he said, the Red Cross would be criticized in whatever it did and he wished no loopholes left in the bill.

COULD William Jennings Bryan have returned to earth and been present in the senate chamber the other day he would have been immensely gratified, for the old "16 to 1" issue which nearly carried him into the White House years ago was revived by Senator Burton K. Wheeler. That Democrat from Montana introduced a bill providing for the free coinage of silver on the basis of 16 ounces to 1 of gold, which was exactly what Mr. Bryan sought so long to bring about.



Sen. Wheeler

"This legislation would do more than all suggestions heretofore combined towards reviving, encouraging, vitalizing and resuscitating business in this country and throughout the world," Wheeler said. "Contentment, happiness and lucrative occupation would be substituted for discontentment, despair, with their inevitable resultant tragedies to follow."

SENATOR BORAH sometimes disregards utterly the wrath of his colleagues, and he did this when he introduced three bills designed to effect economies in government expenditures. The first of these measures would reduce the salaries of the federal farm board members from \$12,000 to \$9,000 a year. It would further place a \$15,000 maximum on any annual salary connected with the board, a provision aimed at the counsel who now receives \$20,000. The second bill strikes at the dearly beloved twenty cent mileage prerogative of congressional and certain other governmental officials.

The third bill cuts the salary of the Vice President from \$15,000 a year to \$10,000; and does the same thing for the members of the President's cabinet. It also reduces the \$10,000 per annum now paid to senators and representatives to \$8,000.

It was stated at the White House that President Hoover did not believe this federal salary cut movement would come close to passage in congress and that if it were seriously considered he would oppose it. His opinion is that it would result in loss of efficiency and morale and also that it would set a bad example for the country. All through the depression period the President has urged business and industry not to reduce wages except as a last resort.

COMMUNIST activities in the United States have been a specialty of Hamilton Fish, Jr., congressman from New York, and the recent tragedy in Easton, Pa., when mail clerks were killed by a bomb mailed to an Italian, together with the discovery of bombs in the mail in other localities gave him a new opportunity. He introduced in the house a resolution calling for a congressional inquiry into the activities of Fascists and anti-Fascists in this country. The "diabolical bomb conspiracy," he said, had been charged to both those factions of our Italian residents and he urged the investigation "for the purpose of putting an end to all such activities which tend to create discord with a friendly nation and have caused enmities, riots and murders among our own people."



Hamilton Fish, Jr.

JOHN J. RASKOB, chairman of the Democratic national committee, fearing a split between the wet and dry wings of the party, bucked down a bit from his dripping wet attitude. He made public a letter he sent to members of the national committee recommending the adoption of a home rule plank by the coming national convention. He advocates the submission of an amendment to the Eighteenth amendment which would give control of the liquor traffic to each individual state.

Mr. Raskob also asked that the result of his questionnaire to contributors to the last national campaign be referred to the convention. More than 25,000 replies to the questionnaires were received and of these 93 per cent favored the resubmission of the Eighteenth amendment to the people. Seventy-nine per cent were for outright repeal of prohibition.

In his letter Mr. Raskob said: "I believe there will be either a definite split between the Democratic party of the North and the Democratic party of the South or there will be formed a Liberal party in America unless those of us who love the traditions of the Democratic party find some common ground under the teachings of Jefferson without resorting to expediencies and sacrificing the high principles of either school of thought."

DEMOCRATS and wets both rejoiced over the result of the election in New Hampshire to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Representative Fletcher Hale, dry Republican. In a normally Republican district William N. Rogers, former congressman, who is a wet Democrat, was victorious over former Gov. John Bartlett by about 3,000 votes. Rogers' chief issue in the campaign was unemployment and industrial depression.

The Democrats in the house now number 220, while the Republicans have 214 and the Farmer-Laborites one.

MAHATMA GANDHI is in prison at Poona, many other leaders of the Indian Nationalists are under arrest and troops are on their way from England to reinforce those in India; but it is evident the British government is going to have a terribly hard time suppressing the revolt of the natives. Viceroy Lord Willingdon put into effect various emergency decrees, outlawing the All-India Congress party, forbidding contributions to its funds and prohibiting demonstrations and peaceful picketing.

From his cell Gandhi issued an appeal to the Christians of India to support the independence movement, to adopt the spinning wheel and home-spun garments and to renounce drink. Native women were leading most of the anti-British demonstrations, while the men carried on the fight against payment of taxes and manufactured illicit salt. The boycott of British goods of all kinds spread rapidly. Gandhi told his followers that "the boycott is the weapon that will bring England to her knees." He continued to urge that they indulge in no violence, but in this he is not being obeyed by all the Nationalists.

CHARLES G. DAWES, ambassador to Great Britain, on coming home from London the other day took occasion to deny forcibly the rumor that he was a possible candidate for the Republican nomination for President, a sort of last hope of those who do not favor the re-nomination of Mr. Hoover. Gen. Dawes said he was in Washington solely for the purpose of consulting with the President concerning the course to be followed by the American delegation to the coming disarmament conference, of which delegation he is to be the head.

After General Dawes and the other American delegates had breakfast with President Hoover it was announced at the White House that the United States does not intend to play a leading role at the conference. Having cut the American military establishment to the bone in the name of economy, no further cuts along this line should be expected, this administration spokesman said. It was also pointed out that as the United States now ranked fifteenth among the nations in military power, there was little likelihood that this country would be asked to make any real cuts.

Dispatches from Rome say the Italian delegation will be led by Foreign Minister Dino Grandi, and that he will be assisted by the ministers of war, navy and air and some fifty other officials. The attitude Italy will take in the conference will be in accordance with the understandings reached in the conversations of Mussolini, Grandi and Secretary Stimson in Rome and of Grandi with President Hoover in Washington.

NOT only Chicago but mankind is much the poorer for the death of Julius Rosenwald, philanthropist and capitalist, who passed away after two years of illness. He had made great sums of money in merchandising and devoted most of his fortune to benefactions designed to encourage thrift and to eradicate racial and religious prejudice.

REVOLUTION in Portugal was said to have been frustrated by the arrest in Oporto of 200 persons and the seizure of quantities of bombs, rifles and pistols. The situation, however, was still considered serious. (© 1932 Western Newspaper Union.)

CITATION BY PUBLICATION

The State of Texas; To the sheriff or any constable of Callahan county—Greeting: You are hereby commanded to summon J. J. Mundy by making publication of this citation once in each week for four successive weeks previous to the return day hereof, in the Baird Star, a weekly publication, published each week in Callahan county, to appear at the next regular term of Justice Court in precinct No. 8 in Callahan county to be holden on the first Saturday in February, 1932, same being the 6th day of said month then and there to answer to a petition filed in said court on the twelfth day of June, 1930, in a suit on the docket of said court No. 144, wherein Fred Cook is plaintiff and J. J. Mundy defendant, and plaintiff alleges that defendant is indebted to the plaintiff to the amount of ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY and 72-100 dollars, plaintiff further alleges that J. J. Mundy, defendant in this cause, is a transient person and that he does not know his present address. Herein fail not but have you before said court on the sixth day of February 1932 at a regular term of said court, this writ with your return thereon showing how you have executed the same. Given under my hand this the 19th day of Dec. 1931.

J. S. Yeager, Justice of Peace, Precinct No. 8. R. L. Edwards, Sheriff. by C. R. Nordyke, Deputy.

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Tang of Ketchup in Sandwiches Appeals to Winter Appetites



By JOSEPHINE GIBSON Director, Heinz Food Institute

IT is said that more than thirty million sandwiches are eaten daily in the United States. The famed Earl of Sandwich, originator of the sandwich, scarcely could have realized the popularity which his idea, with "variations," was to achieve. Sandwiches, eaten in such amazing numbers, are of varied types and are found in both packed and home lunches, in afternoon and late evening party meals and in supper menus. No matter how simple they may be, there is an art in making them varied and delectable. The secret lies in skillful seasoning, for the sandwich is made delightful and zestful by a spoonful of Tomato Ketchup, Prepared Mustard, chopped Pickle or Evaporated Horseradish. Tomato Ketchup particularly is fine in sandwich fillings of meat, egg, or fish.

Grilled Peanut Butter, Bacon and Ketchup Sandwiches—Toast slices of bread on one side only. Spread untoasted side with Peanut Butter, then with Tomato Ketchup. Top with slices of uncooked bacon; broil until bacon is browned and crisp. Serve immediately with slices of Genuine Dill Pickle.

Toasted Cheese and Ketchup Sandwiches—1 cup grated American cheese; 3 tablespoons Tomato Ketchup. Mix grated cheese with buttered slices of white bread, trim crusts and toast. Serve hot. These are excellent when daintily cut and served with a fruit or vegetable salad for luncheon, or the sandwich itself may be served on a crisp lettuce leaf, garnished with Spanish Queen Olives and served as the main dish of the luncheon.

Tongue, Horseradish and Ketchup Sandwiches—1 cup minced tongue, ham, cold roast beef or other cold meat; Evaporated Horseradish to taste; 2 tablespoons Tomato Ketchup; 1 tablespoon Stuffed Spanish Olives, sliced; 1 tablespoon green pepper, chopped; Mayonnaise Salad Dressing to taste and moisten. Mix all ingredients together and spread between thin slices buttered bread. Cut into finger length strips.

Oyster Sandwiches—1 pint oysters; 2 eggs, slightly beaten; 1/2 teaspoon salt; 1/2 teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce; bread crumbs; Tomato Ketchup or Chili Sauce. Beat egg, add salt and Worcestershire Sauce. Dip oysters in egg and then in crumbs. Fry until golden brown. Place 3 or 4 fried oysters between slices of buttered whole wheat bread or hard rolls and sprinkle with Tomato Ketchup or Chili Sauce.

Hard Cooked Egg and Ketchup Sandwiches—6 hard cooked eggs, chopped; Tomato Ketchup to moisten; 1 teaspoon Prepared Mustard; 1/4 teaspoon Worcestershire Sauce; salt and pepper to season; few drops onion juice. Combine all ingredients. Spread between slices of buttered bread. For the packed lunch, wrap each sandwich in waxed paper.

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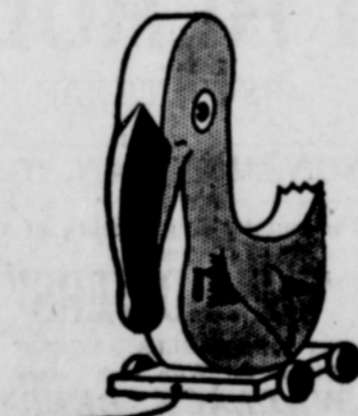
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**My Experiences
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CHAPTER XXXIX—Continued

At M. Clemenceau's suggestion the meeting of the council was adjourned at this point that Foch, Lord Milner and I might meet and examine the question and see if some agreement could not be reached. Whereupon we repaired to an adjacent room and went over the whole subject again.

My proposal was more liberal than the circumstances or my own views on the subject really warranted. It conceded priority for a limited number of the infantry and machine-gun units, but generally it contemplated the shipment of artillery for divisions and corps and railroads troops, mechanics and labor troops for the service of the rear, all of which were badly needed.

It was the distinct understanding, however, as already promised by Foch, that if we would consent to make the concession as to infantry and machine-gun units the French would help us out with artillery when the time came to form an American army. But, of course, they could not furnish men for other services, nor for the services of supply, without which we could not function as an army.

Others insist on Program. When we met Milner, and especially Foch, insisted that the war would be lost unless their program was carried out. I repeated the arguments already presented to the council and added that I fully realized the military emergency, but did not think that the plan to bring over untrained units to fight under British and French commands would either relieve the situation or end the war.

I pointed out that, regardless of the depressing conditions and the very urgent need of men by the allies, their plan was not practicable, and that even if sound in principle there was not time enough to prepare our men as individuals for efficient service under a new system, with the strange surroundings to be found in a foreign army.

Here Foch said: "You are willing to risk our being driven back to the Loire?"

I said: "Yes, I am willing to take the risk." "Moreover, the time may come when the American army will have to stand the brunt of this war, and it is not wise to fritter away our resources in this manner. The morale of the British, French and Italian armies is low, while, as you know, that of the American army is very high, and it would be a grave mistake to give up the idea of building an American army in all its details as rapidly as possible."

"Can't Budge Him an Inch." At about this juncture Lloyd George, M. Clemenceau and Premier Orlando of Italy, evidently becoming impatient, walked into the room. Milner met Lloyd George at the door and said in a stage whisper behind his hand: "You can't budge him an inch." Lloyd George then said: "Well, how is the committee getting along?"

Whereupon we all sat down and Lloyd George said to me: "Can't you see that the war will be lost unless we get this support?" which statement was echoed in turn by Clemenceau and Orlando. In fact, all five of the party attacked me with all the force and prestige of their high positions.

But I had already yielded to their demands as far as possible without disrupting the plans toward which we had been striving for over a year and a continuance of May shipments into June, without any provision for transporting artillery and auxiliary and service of supply troops, could not be granted without making it practically impossible in the future to have an American army.

After I had gone over the whole situation again and stated my position, they still insisted, whereupon I struck the table with my fist and said with the greatest possible emphasis: "Gentlemen, I have thought this program over very deliberately and will not be coerced."

This ended the discussion in committee and when the council reconvened M. Clemenceau stated that the question of American troops would be taken up again the following day.

When the council met for the afternoon session of the second day the discussion of shipments of American personnel was at once resumed. General Foch spoke at length, repeating previous arguments and giving a rather grandiose dissertation of the allied situation and the dire things that would happen unless the Americans agreed to the proposal of the council.

Lloyd George's Challenge. Mr. Lloyd George in turn spoke at some length. He asserted that the Germans hoped to use up the British and French reserves before their own were exhausted and that the British had already called up nearly 7,000,000 men for their army and navy and had extended their age limits to all men between eighteen and fifty years of age.

"If the United States does not come to our aid," he said, "then perhaps the enemy's calculations will be correct. If France and Great Britain should have to yield this contest

...of the world, they would have fought to their last man, while the United States would have to stop without having put into line more than little Belgium."

Possibly realizing the unfairness of the comparison he quickly went on to say that he was sure I was doing my best to meet the emergency, and that:

"General Pershing desires that the aid brought to us by America should not be incompatible with the creation of the American army as rapidly as possible.

"I, too, am counting on the existence of that army and I am counting on it this very year to deal the enemy the final blow. But to do that the allies will have to hold out until August."

CHAPTER XL

"Speaking in the name of the American army and in the name of the American people," I told the supreme war council during the second day of its session at Abbeville, May 2, 1918, "I want you to realize that we are ready to bear as large a part as possible of the burden of the war. We all want the same thing, but our means of attaining it is different from yours.

"America declared war independently of the allies, and she must face it as soon as possible with a powerful army. There is one capital point to which I wish to call your attention. That is the importance to the morale of our soldiers of fighting under our own flag.

"America is already anxious to know where her army is. The Germans have once more started a strong campaign of propaganda in the United States, the purpose of which is to insinuate that the allies have so little confidence in the American troops that they are obliged to distribute them among their own divisions.

Tells of American Pride. "The American soldier is as proud as any other, and the time will soon come when our troops, as well as our government, will ask to fight as an autonomous army under the American high command.

"I understand that in Prime Minister Lloyd George's proposal we shall have to examine the situation again in June before deciding for July.

"That is all that I can agree to at present to show my desire for solidarity with the cause of the allies." Lloyd George had previously taken up a revised program submitted by myself and after some discussion he proposed that:

"America give us 120,000 infantrymen and machine gunners in May—the same number in June, with a supplement of 50,000 infantrymen and machine gunners if we 'scrape together' the tonnage to transport them."

He further proposed that the situation be examined again in June before deciding whether there was reason to extend to July the program decided upon for May and June. He then called on the council to accept his plan.

Inasmuch as the proposal submitted by Lloyd George contemplated the shipment of the numbers mentioned in British tonnage, leaving American shipping entirely free for us to use as we should decide, an agreement was soon reached, substantially as set forth in the following cablegram to the secretary of war:

Following agreement adopted by supreme war council May 2 at Abbeville. Will cable more in detail later: "It is the opinion of the supreme war council that, to carry the war to a successful conclusion, an American army should be formed as early as possible under its own commander and under its own flag. (Then it was thought the war would run to 1919.)

"In order to meet the present emergency it is agreed that American troops should be brought to France as rapidly as allied transportation facilities will permit, and that as far as consistent with the necessity of building up an American army preference be given to infantry and machine-gun units for training and service with French and British armies; with the understanding that such infantry and machine-gun units are to be withdrawn and united with their own artillery and auxiliary troops into divisions and corps at the discretion of the American commander in chief after consultation with the commander in chief of the allied armies in France.

"It is also agreed that during May preference should be given to the transportation of infantry and machine-gun units of six divisions, and that any excess tonnage shall be devoted to bringing over such troops as may be determined by the American commander in chief.

June Shipment Up to Pershing. "It is further agreed that this program shall be continued during June upon condition that the British government shall furnish transportation for a minimum of 130,000 men in May and 150,000 men in June, with the understanding that the first six divisions of infantry shall go to the British for training and service, and that troops sent over in June shall be allocated for training and service as

the American commander in chief may determine.

"It is also further agreed that if the British government shall transport an excess of 150,000 men in June such excess shall be infantry and machine-gun units, and that early in June there shall be a new review of the situation to determine further action."

As stated in a cable from the secretary of war, received May 12, this agreement provided less priority for infantry and machine-gun units than recommended by the supreme war council. It was certainly much more favorable to the ultimate formation of an American army than we had reason to expect in view of the recommendations contained in note No. 18 of the military representatives, which, as we have seen, had been practically approved by the President. In the excitement over our agreement with the British the full purport of this commitment was not emphasized by the allies during the discussion.

Pooling of Supplies.

Another matter, taken up informally by the prime ministers after the conference, was that of pooling allied supplies. I explained its advantages and emphasized the saving in tonnage that would result. Mr. Lloyd George



A. E. F. Phone Girls.

and Mr. Orlando did not consult themselves entirely, but accepted it in principle, as M. Clemenceau had done, and each agreed to designate an officer with business experience to meet with us at an early date to study the question.

With this beginning at least a step had been taken toward our objective, even though the principle might not be extended as far as we thought desirable. A few days later M. Clemenceau called a meeting in his office of the representatives, Gen. Sir Travers Clarke acting for the British and Col. Charles G. Dawes for the Americans.

CHAPTER XLI

On the heels of all the clamor for nothing but infantry and machine gunners I received a request from Marshal Haig, British commander, asking 10,000 artillerymen. This fully bore out a prediction I had cabled Washington that the allies would be asking artillerymen before long.

It will be readily understood, however, that once the allies had made a demand for infantry and machine gunners they all joined in concerted effort to bring it about regardless of what their real needs might be.

In reply, I reminded Marshal Haig that the Abbeville agreement, giving priority to infantry and machine-gun shipments, would prevent the arrival of our artillerymen for some time. In fulfilling our part in military cooperation we had already gone far beyond the mere recognition of the principle of unity of command and had begun to bring over hundreds of thousands of men almost regardless of the organizations to which they belonged, that they might be available in the event of extreme necessity.

Inspects Second Division.

It was my custom throughout the war, as both a duty and a pleasure, to visit the troops as frequently as possible to keep in touch with the state of efficiency and the morale of officers and men. As Bundy's Second division, with Harbord and E. M. Lewis as brigade commanders, was leaving the quiet sector south of Verdun en route to the billeting and training area to finish preparation for battle, the moment was opportune to make a brief inspection. I had an opportunity to talk with a number of the officers in command of smaller units. I especially discussed the question of supply with officers charged with that duty.

I visited Harbord's brigade of marines and found those I inspected in good shape and their billets well kept. The troops of the division that were seen on the march, especially the trains, did not look so well. In an army like ours the care of animals is difficult to teach. Crulshank's artillery looked well. The entraining at Ancemont was carried out in an orderly and systematic manner.

General Blondat, in whose corps the Second had been serving, spoke very highly of the troops. The favorable impression obtained of this unit was very soon to be confirmed on the battlefield, where its distinguished service was to make its name immortal.

Frequently Had Guests.

During the first few months at Chaumont I occupied quarters in the town, but later M. de Rouvre placed at my disposal his beautiful chateau some three kilometers away. My headquarters mess was limited to the few officers with whom I was most intimately associated and consisted of my personal aids, the chief of staff, and one or two others. Nearly always there were a few guests at meals invited from among the visitors, both French and American, who came to headquarters. Officers from French general headquarters were frequent guests and

we were always glad to have them.

As a rule there was a ban on everything in the way of shop talk and the rule was rarely broken and then only when we had special guests seeking enlightenment or information regarding our policies and activities.

There was one subject that would always start a discussion, and that was the relative value of the different arms, each being represented by at least one officer. Harbord and I were both from the cavalry, and the cavalry member of the staff felt that he had at least a sympathetic audience. The infantry aid, however, always held his own in any discussion, as no matter how specious the arguments or perhaps the gibes at his expense we all know that without the infantry the other arms would accomplish little. The associations of such a group are never forgotten, and even a short period was enough to establish a permanent and affectionate relationship.

Staff Offices Rotated.

Rotation in office was early adopted as a principle to be applied to the staff in general, and although it was never possible fully to carry it out most of the officers of my staff got their chance at a tour with combat troops. Major Collins and Major Shallenberger, two of the aids who went with me to France, were the first to go to other duty, being replaced by Major Quekemyer and Major Bowditch. Colonel Boyd, who joined me as aid shortly after my arrival in France, remained throughout the war.

When General Harbord's turn came his place as chief of staff was taken by General McAndrew. Several of the higher officers of the general staff had a tour with troops, not only that they might have the opportunity to serve at the front, which is every soldier's ambition, but because they would return to staff duty with a broader and more sympathetic understanding of the line officer's point of view and appreciate more fully the consideration that he deserves at the hands of the staff.

According to the plan for the rotation of officers between line and staff several others were relieved and sent to serve with troops. Among them were Col. Frank R. McCoy, secretary of the general staff, relieved by Maj. James H. Collins, and Col. W. D. Connor, assistant chief of staff G-1, relieved by Col. G. V. H. Moseley.

Morrow on Maritime Council.

Our members of the interallied maritime council were wide awake at this time in their search for additional tonnage. Dwight Morrow reported prospects of some increase, besides calling attention to tonnage that was idle or not being used to the best advantage. The immense shipment of American troops contemplated the use of all available passenger-cargo carrying ships, British, American and neutral. As very little if any space would be left in such ships for cargo, the latter class of ships was in greater demand than ever.

Meanwhile the amount of world cargo tonnage built during the preceding five months was scarcely equal to the losses, and the ships we were manufacturing had only just begun to be turned out for service. It was at once evident that the immense program of troop shipments would call for extraordinary concessions on the part of all concerned.

CHAPTER XLII

A strong German offensive opened May 27, 1918, against the French, with the famous Big Bertha firing on Paris.

The position of the First division was near Cantigny, where it had been in line nearly a month opposite the town and near the point of farthest advance of the enemy in the Amiens salient.

Although some weeks had passed since my offer of troops in the emergency, up to now none had been called upon to take part in active operations. The reason appeared to be that the allies were skeptical of the ability of any of our units to conduct an offensive. The opportunity now came, however, to remove misgivings on that score.

The French corps in which the First was serving had prepared a counter-attack to be launched in the Amiens sector about the middle of May in case of another offensive by the enemy in Flanders, which, it was believed, would occur between May 15 and 20. The counter-attack was to be directed due east toward the heights of Montdidier, with the advance of the First division, supported by a French division on each flank, as a preliminary move. This was to be followed in forty-eight hours by a general advance northward of the entire Third French army, which covered the front from Montdidier to Noyon.

Ammunition dumps had been filled, special trenches dug, new battery emplacements prepared for the reinforcing artillery and necessary orders issued for the counter-attack, but the enemy did not put in his appearance according to the forecast.

First Seeks Better Position.

It was then decided that the First division should undertake to improve its position. The Germans on its front continued to hold the advantage of higher ground, from which they were able to inflict constant losses on our troops while suffering little damage themselves. Another reason was at this moment the morale of the allies required that American troops make their appearance in battle.

The Cantigny sector at this time was very active, with artillery fire unusually heavy, and the preparations for the attack by the First division, which had to be hastily made, were carried out under great difficulty. Many casualties occurred during the construction of jumping-off trenches, emplacements and advance command posts. The Twenty-eighth infantry, under

Col. Hanson B. Day, distinguished for the assault, was reinforced by machine-guns, engineers and other special units. Additional French artillery was sent to assist the artillery brigade of the division and particularly to suppress the hostile batteries attempting to interfere with the consolidation of the new position after it should be captured.

Yanks Splendid Under Fire.

On the morning of May 28, after a brief artillery preparation, the infantry advanced on a front of a mile and a quarter. The village of Cantigny and the adjacent heights were quickly taken, relatively heavy casualties were inflicted on the enemy and about 300 prisoners were captured. Our troops behaved splendidly and suffered but slight loss in the actual attack.

Events developing farther east, however, were seriously to complicate the success. The German assault in force against the French along the Chemin des Dames, between Soissons and Rheims, began on the morning of the Twenty-seventh and was making dangerous headway. By the morning of the twenty-eighth the gains of the enemy were such that the French high command was compelled to relieve much of the reinforcing artillery behind the First division and transfer it to that front.

The enemy's artillery within range of Cantigny thus became superior to ours and was able to concentrate a terrific fire on the unsheltered troops in the captured position. His reaction against our troops was extremely violent and apparently he was determined at all cost to counteract the excellent effect the American success had produced upon the allies.

Under cover of heavy bombardment a series of counterattacks were made by the enemy, but our young infantrymen stood their ground and broke up every attempt to dislodge them. The regiment sustained severe casualties from the large caliber shells poured down upon it and had to be reinforced by a battalion each from the Eighteenth and Twenty-sixth regiments.

It was a matter of pride to the whole A. E. F. that the troops of this division, in their first battle, and in the unusually trying situation that followed, displayed the fortitude and courage of veterans, held their gains and denied the enemy the slightest advantage.

U. S. Troops at Chateau Thierry.

The alarming situation had caused General Petain to call on me on the 30th for American troops to be sent to the region of Chateau Thierry. The Third division (Dickman), then in training near Chaumont, being the only division within reach, besides the Second, was ordered to move north immediately. Dickman started his motorized machine-gun battalion over the road on the afternoon of May 30. The infantry and engineers entrained the same night, and the division's supply trains marched overland.

The first element to reach Chateau Thierry was the machine-gun battalion, which arrived the afternoon of May 31 and immediately went into action against the enemy, who then held the half of the town north of the Marne. By daylight on June 1 all available guns had been provided with cover and were in their positions, one company with eight guns, and another with nine guns about 500 yards to the east, guarding the approaches to the railroad bridge. From these positions they repulsed all attempts by the Germans to cross the Marne.

Meanwhile, as the infantry of the division came up on June 1 its battalions were put into line to reinforce the French from Chateau Thierry east to Dormans. The conduct of the machine-gun battalion in this operation was highly praised by General Petain in a citation issued later.

Stopped German Drive on Paris.

The Second division (Bundy) May 30 was near Chaumont-en-Vexin and was preparing to move northward the next day for concentration near Beauvais to relieve the First division at Cantigny. But its orders were changed late that night, and the division, moving by motor trucks, was rushed toward Maux, twenty miles northeast of Paris. Reaching there, the leading elements were hurried forward in the direction of Chateau Thierry. The roads were crowded with French troops and refugees. There was great confusion among the rapidly retreating French troops, many of them saying to our men that all was lost.

The initial deployment of the Second division was made by the Ninth infantry and the Sixth regiment of marines June 1, across the Paris highway at Lucy-le-Bocage, in front of Montreuil-aux-Lions, supposedly in support of two French divisions; but the French had orders to fall back through the American lines. In the early morning of June 2 the Twenty-third infantry, then on the left, was replaced by the French One Hundred Sixty-seventh division, and when reinforced by one battalion of the Fifth marines, the Fifth machine-gun battalion and some engineers, it was deployed to the right between the Sixth marines and the Ninth infantry, to fill a gap in the French line, and by June 5 the entire division became engaged.

Considering that this was its first experience in battle, this division made a splendid defense, repulsed all German attacks, and by its timely arrival effectively stopped the German advance on Paris.

To be continued

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LANHAM NOTES

Mrs. Miller

Our community has not been heard from this new year, but we are busy and shall "speak out" regularly. Some changes are being made since the 1st.

S. H. Waggoner and family have moved to Clyde and Royal will attend Clyde school.

Mr. and Mrs. John Estes are moving out of our community and their children have entered school at Fairview. We regret to lose them.

Both homes vacated by there going are occupied already. The Boyds are at home at the Waggoner place. We welcome them. And Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Eager and daughter are occupying the Estus home.

Mr. and Mrs. Brown of Clyde have been visiting relatives here this week. Earnest Clemmer, after spending some months in Colorado, is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Clemmer.

Supt. and Mrs. A. L. Johnson visited our school Dec. 31st and the Supt. came by again Friday afternoon. We appreciate those visits.

Mrs. Henderson, President of Hamby Parent-Teachers Association, met with us Friday and installed our officers. The installation has been unavoidably delayed, but we shall endeavor to make up for this loss. Supt. Johnson's unexpected presence and talk, gave inspiration to the meeting. We are indebted to both visitors.

The third month of school has just closed and we were glad to report on the honor rolls the following: Grades—90 or above, Billie Joe Johnson, Effie Rae Johnson, Oletta, Irene and Ted Goodman, Olet Clemmer; Those neither absent nor tardy, Oleta, R. E., and Maxine Clemmer.

Health of the community has been "A" until today and three pupils are on the sick list.

UNION SCHOOL NEWS

Friday was the end of our third month of school and every thing is going fine. A new year and new month begun and we teachers hope to make this really the best school in our county, in fact we are the best equipped school in Callahan county.

The Farm Mechanic boys and the Home Economic girls are going right along with their work.

We have a new janitor and our school building is being cleaned from top to floor. Every thing is taking on a new appearance.

Mr. Richardson and family moved from off the plains and are in the Yarbrough house, occupied by Mr. Lloyd.

We have also a new bus driver and the community of Hart is very proud and pleased with him.

Everyone had a joyous Christmas. The young people were entertained with parties at Kyles, Dennis, Donoway and Burnams.

The P. T. A. voted to sponsor an entertainment once a month for the high school pupils. Good wholesome games will be furnished. Mrs. O. D. Allen has opened her home for them Friday night.

The P. T. A. had a social Friday night at the school building. Some one hundred enjoyed the games, jokes and singing furnished. Our P. T. A. has surely done things this year for our school. They bought the cooker for hot lunches, covering for home economics room, cement for the curb and placed a telephone at the school. We couldn't do with out these loyal patrons. They are now going to get the travelling library for the school. The Calendar for the coming months are:

Jan. 29—The Womanless Wedding.
Feb. 5—Plate Dinner and "42"
March 4—Stunt Night.
Don't miss the "Womanless Wedding," it is free to the public and every one is invited.

The High School will put on the play, "Poor Father" in the near future.

Our basket ball boys and girls have had two games since Christmas. The Juniors play the first conference game Friday with Baird at Putnam.

PUTNAM NEWS

by Sallie Ann

Misses Opal Young and Athler Adams of Cross Plains were Putnam visitors Friday evening, visiting Miss Ada Harst.

Mr. S. E. Settle of Baird was in Putnam Saturday, shaking hands with old friends.

Mrs. Ida Belle Prichard of Abilene was a visitor in Putnam last week, visiting old friends.

Misses Rena Ball and Lois Reese and Mr. R. F. Webb were Abilene business visitors Saturday.

Mrs. Patty Wingo, who is working in Colorado spent Monday in Putnam with her children.

Miss Thelma Everett spent last week visiting in Cottonwood with her sister, Mrs. Floyd Coffey.

Rev. Hick Burnam and wife of White Flat, Texas, are visiting Mrs. Burnam's mother, Mrs. W. E. Pruet and Mr. Burnam's parents Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Burnam. Rev. Burnam filled the Baptist pulpit Sunday at eleven and also Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Dunaway and family of Okla., visited Mr. Dunaway's grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Culwell, over the week-end.

Rev. J. E. Black filled the pulpit at the First Baptist Church of Cisco Sunday.

Mrs. G. P. Gaskins, Ardelia and Kenneth Wayne and Mrs. John Cook, Mr. Pete King and Sam Jobe were Abilene visitors, Monday.

Mrs. J. H. Maxwell and family, who have been living on the Mobley farm moved to Gorman, Monday.

Mr. C. T. Hutchison of Abilene, was a Putnam visitor this week.

Misses Dorothy and Johnnie Fetz of Breckenridge, have been visiting their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Herring.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Williams of Stanton were Putnam visitors last week.

Mr. Pete King and Mr. E. C. Waddell, were Abilene visitors, Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Nordyke and family spent Sunday in Cottonwood, visiting Mr. Nordyke's parents.

Mrs. Frank Cunningham was an Abilene visitor, last Friday.

Mrs. Art Frazier of Abilene, was in Putnam, Monday.

Uncle Bob Stewart, who has been on the sick list for some time is reported improving.

The Boy Scouts of Putnam under the leadership of Mr. Lloyd Butler, had a court of honor meeting at the Baptist Church last Friday. They reported a good meeting, several of the boys passing their tests.

Mr. V. M. Teague is working in Cisco this week, taking care of the Big Dam Auto Tourist Camp for Mr. Dock Isenhower.

ROWDEN NEWS

Mrs. Elliott

Mrs. Ivon Odom was slightly ill last week.

We are glad to say that Mr. John Boen, who has been ill for several weeks, is greatly improved.

Our boys won the Basket Ball game at Admiral last Friday. The return game between the two teams will be on the Rowden court this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts, Miss Stella and Burton, were Abilene visitors, Saturday.

Mrs. G. W. Cunningham was the guest of her friend, Mrs. Adams, in Cross Plains, Saturday.

We hear the Dressy school has closed for a short time, on account of scarlet fever in the neighborhood. Mr. and Mrs. Potter have scarlet fever in their home near Burnt Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Tabor and daughters, spent Sunday with Clyde

relatives.

The "42" club members were delightfully entertained in the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gibbs on Wednesday night, Dec. 30. Light refreshments were served.

Miss Carlow, third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Gibbs, was operated on at the Griggs Hospital at Baird, Saturday afternoon. All are glad to see Miss Carrie Lou is doing nicely and will soon be home. Mr. and Mrs. Gibbs and children were with her during the operation and also visited her on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Higgins, who have been living on the Bayou, have moved to Eula.

Mr. and Mrs. Alzy Price, who have been living on the Jerry McDonald place, recently purchased by Odie Smedley, have moved to Cottonwood.

Both of these young people were raised here and all hope they will like their new home. Mrs. Price is daughter of Mr. McDonald.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Neff and children, who formerly lived here, but have been on the plains the last couple of years, are now living on the Dorsey Odom place on the Bayou. Their many friends welcome them back home. Mr. Campbell sold this place to Mr. Odom last year. We did not learn where Mr. Campbell and family will live, but we hope they will not move out of the neighborhood as they are a delightful family.

We are so glad to report the condition of Mrs. Herbert Glaze, who has been near death's door for several days, as greatly improved, as we write this. The many friends of the family so earnestly hope for her recovery.

Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Miller, her sister and brothers, Mrs. Grover Gibbs and Messers Jess and Calvin Miller and John Miller of California are with her daily in Abilene, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rose, her sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Wagner of Cross Plains spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Phillips. Mrs. Phillips, who has been ill for a week or so accompanied her daughter home for a week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gibbs, Misses Hettie Smedley and Clarabel Tabor and Messers Warren Price and Adrian Hardin, spent Sunday evening in the G. W. Russell home.

Miss Stella Roberts spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Alda Nordyke.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Elliott opened their home on Wednesday evening, Jan. 6, to the members of the "42" club and several friends. After many interesting games were played hot chocolate and cake were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. Barney Gibbs Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Smedley, Mrs. Georgia Tannahill, Misses Hettie Smedley, Cecil Gibbs, Clarabel Tabor, Jaunita Holloway, Alda Nordyke, Pauline Elliott, Messers Ross Dawkins, Wiley Smedley, Warren Price, Calvin Miller, Raymond Gibbs, Voncille Gibbs, Burton Roberts and Aaron Burr Elliott.

DENTON NEWS

Monday morning, in chapel, Mrs. South's room presented a very interesting health program. Miss Ken-

drick's room will present the program next Monday.

The girl's basket ball team went to Lone Oak Thursday and played Midway. The victory going to the Denton team by a score of 17 to 0.

The Junior Boy's and Girl's basket ball teams played Lone Oak last Friday, the victory going to the Denton team. The girls scores were 28 to 0 and the boys were 13 to 0.

The Choral Club held a business meeting Wednesday morning for the purpose of naming the club and electing officers. The Glee Club was the name decided upon by the club. The following officers were elected: President—Melvin Gardiner, Vice-President—Bob Christian, Secretary—Freida Gibson, Asst. Secretary—H. C. Doan, Pianist—Mrs. South, Asst. Pianist—Evalyn Barton, Reporter—Adele Bockman. The club meets on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Miss Kendrick is director.

Mr. J. W. Hardy and son, Houston, visited relatives in Merkel, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Allen and family, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Tarrant spent Sunday with Mrs. J. J. Gibson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Tate and family visited John Christian, Sunday.

The Denton "Cats" (Senior Boys) motored to Abilene Monday night and defeated the McMurray freshmen on their court. The scores being 24 to 20.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bockman and daughters, Adele and Iva Nell, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Graham.

Misses Vernice Johnston and Helen Minix visited Ottis Ray Doan, Sunday.

The party given by Jack Wood Saturday night was well attended.

Mrs. Ed Connel and family, attended a birthday dinner at Mr. and Mrs. Pittman's at Clyde, Sunday.

Mr. Simons visited his daughter, Miss Ruth Simons, this week.

Miss Cordia Connel is giving a party next Saturday night.

Miss Lucy Williams spent Sunday with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Worth Williams of Clyde.

Misses Thelma Connel and Estelle Stone spent Sunday night with Cordia and Sadie Connel.

Mr. and Mrs. South entertained the teachers and Board members on last Wednesday night. After a short business meeting, bridge and "42" were played at two tables. Refreshments were served to the following: Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Barton and daughter, Mr. Ed Odom, Mr. Rich Johnston, Mr. Leslie Suggs, Lora Lee Kendrick, Ruth Simons, Mary Lee McCurdy and

the hosts.

Robbie Farmer spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Gardiner. Mr. Cecil Vest left for Brownfield Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Blain Odom spent Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. McIntosh.

The girl's basket ball coach, Miss Simons, with Misses McCurdy and Kendrick, gave the senior girls ball team a slumber party last Thursday

night. Those enjoying the occasion were: Pauline Russell, Evalyn Barton, Rebecca Scott, Freida Gibson, Estelle McIntosh, Cordia Connel and Lucy Williams.

Woodrow Pittman spent Sunday night with Elba Connel.

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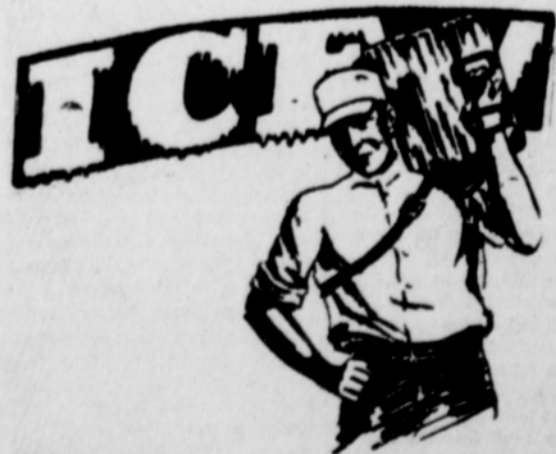
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