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## BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

In God is my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God. Trust in him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us.—Ps. 62:7, 8.

As dew at morning's dawning  
Shall thy word distil,  
Give hope and fresh endeavor  
To obey thy will.  
I would ask a gentler patience  
In the daily round,  
That thy word's pure understanding  
In my heart abound.  
—Beatrice Furniss.

The roots of happiness run much deeper than the mere surface of life. Happiness is not a transitory experience which changes from day to day. It is a permanent condition, and it can only be enjoyed by those who have that stable equilibrium, which comes from a child-like and unflinching trust in the love and care of the heavenly Father.  
—Bishop of Chelmsford.

## ARE TEXANS FREEMEN OR PEONS?

While believing in attempting to bring the Lone Star and Community Natural Gas companies to reason in the demands of this dual utility monopoly by a fair and open discussion of the gas rates now being charged and the proposed rates threatened to be put into effect in the communities served by this monopoly, Mayor H. S. Schwartz, of Baird, said during the conference at Abilene recently:

"My advice would be that we respectfully plead with the gas company to cease its agitation for higher rates and relieve the people from further obligations at a time when they cannot meet those already contracted. I believe if proper representations are made to the company, it may consider the consequences that would follow its proposal for higher rates. We must tell them, and show them we mean it, that the American people can be led, but they cannot be forced into anything."

While we have little confidence in any plea the people might make to such soulless corporations as the Lone Star and Community Natural (hijackers) gas companies have proven to be, yet there is something in what Mayor Schwartz says that is akin to the declaration of a free people:

"We must tell them, and show them we mean it, that the American people can be led, but they cannot be forced into anything."

That better than fawning at the feet of polluted monopoly—grown arrogant under the fostering care of laws that made its existence possible. The mere suggestion that the commissions of the cities served by this conscienceless monopoly that they be given permission to increase its already exorbitant rates over 100 per cent when the people are struggling for a mere existence, is too absurd for any reasonable man to entertain. Nor would such a proposition ever be contemplated if another gas company were operating in competition with the Lone Star and its ill-gotten offspring—conceived in conspiracy and spewed from the womb of corruption.

There is a statute in the laws of Texas which gives the commissions of the cities of Texas the authority to regulate utility rates, but the traitorous corporation legislators saw to it that this statute contained a joker, for there is a proviso which reads: "Provided the rate shall not be reduced below such a sum that will prevent the utility companies from earning an income on the invested capital of less than 10 per cent net." (Quoted from memory.)

That's the joker, and the soulless monopolies are relying on this "proviso" as the weapon with which they propose to rob the people—rob is used advisedly, for the rates proposed under this infamous "proviso" is nothing short of robbery, regardless of the legal authority to do so.

Other communities situated similarly that of to Cisco, are enjoying rates much lower than we are now paying. Amarillo has a rate of 27 cents; Pampa has a rate of 30 cents, and we are threatened to be legally filched by having to pay \$1.60 net.

We watched the expression on the face of Mr. Chester May, who holds the title of vice president of the Community Natural (hijackers), while he was delivering his ultimatum to the Cisco commission. We could not disassociate it with what we would compare to one who was about to relieve his victim of his purse at the point of a six-gun. He knew such an act was only legalized banditry, for he could not look the mayor and commissioners in the face. His eyes sought the ceiling all the while he was, parrot like, voicing his threats to despoil a helpless people.

But there will be another day. The people will have an inning, and we predict it will be at no distant day, when the joker "proviso" will be repealed, probably during the next session of the legislature. The people are already aroused through its Taxpayers association, as well as individually, and efforts will be made to elect a majority of the legislature that will legislate in the interest of the people instead of the corporations.

With the repeal of the "proviso" each city commission will be invested with the authority to say to these grasping monopolies that the rule of reason must and shall prevail.

No community wants the Lone Star and its illegal spawn to earn less than a reasonable return on its investment, but when they come to us with unclean hands by representing they are losing money when they are buying their gas from a company that is disassociated with the distributing company only in name, it is nothing short of banditry, though in so doing it is despoiling the people under the guise of law.

If they persist in this hijacking program there is dan-

ger of the pendulum swinging dangerously in the opposite direction should the people take the matter into their own hands. In such an eventuality we can only cry "God help the grasping monopolies, their Mr. Chester Mays and Mr. Chases." If they will not read the handwriting of fate the consequences must rest upon their heads.

"We will tell them and show them that the American people can be led, but cannot be forced," and we will show them that we mean it.

## CONFIDING IN THE TAX PAYERS

T. E. Powell, of Baird, is a candidate for county judge of Callahan county. If I lived in Callahan I would vote for Powell. I have met the gentleman and know he is qualified. But that is a secondary reason why I would cast my vote for him. His opponent, I presume, is also qualified. But the reason I favor Powell is the fact that he believes in "taking the taxpayers into his confidence;" believes in letting them know how much money the county government is costing the people; how much taxes they have collected; how much and for what purpose the public funds are being paid. And Powell does not believe in writing these statements out and pasting them on barn doors, like much of the county publicity is being made. He believes in publishing a "full statement of the public funds every ninety days—four times a year." He opposes any additional bond issues.

Another plank in Powell's platform is to call the taxpayers into a county conference and formulate a budget with a view of stopping the issuance of script, quit spending money the county does not own, and live within the county's income.

Can you beat it? Every proposition Democratically sound and in line with the demands of the Taxpayers League movement that is now functioning in over 100 counties of Texas.

A platform like this, and a man like Powell behind it, who has the determination to put it in force, should be endorsed by 100 per cent of the voters of Callahan county.

It has always been a law for the county commissioners to publish these statements, but because there is no penalty for failing to do so, they never—or rarely are—published. The tax payer has a right to know for what purpose his public servants are spending his money. Every business firm, corporation or institution demands statements from their employees, and why not the tax payers, who employ their county officials?

The lack of a penalty is often the reason why these statements are not published, but more often the officials would just a little prefer the tax payers be kept ignorant of how funds are being disbursed.

Powell is right. The public should be taken into the confidence of their officials. Let's turn on the light. Let the people know what you are doing with their money, and they should not be compelled to go to the court house and examine the records.

A law should be passed assessing a penalty against the county judge and each commissioner failing to publish these

SATTERWHITE CORRECTS  
ERROR IN ANNOUNCEMENT

E. C. Satterwhite, candidate for tax collector, while in Cisco Tuesday called our attention to an error in the political notice appearing in last week's Citizen. The paragraph complained of was: "While this is NOT the first race he ever made for public office," the paragraph should have read, "while this IS the first race he ever made for public office, yet he has always taken an active part in county affairs, and a keen interest in both county and state government."

The Citizen gladly makes the correction, for the error was our mistake, as we were aware that Mr. Satterwhite had never been a candidate for public office until he entered the present race for tax collector. But he is waging a vigorous campaign, one that might be a credit to a veteran.

ILLEGAL TO ADD FEDERAL  
TAX ON STOCKS ON HAND

DALLAS.—George C. Hopkins, collector of internal revenue for this district, has issued a statement declaring merchants who raise prices on account of the new taxes were violating the law.

"Some persons may be unintentionally violating the law by increasing the price of merchandise on hand June 21, alleging the cause of the increase to be taxes imposed on the manufacturers of certain articles on and after that date," Hopkins said.

"The public should be advised that there is no excuse for an increase of prices on account of taxes on any items affected by the provisions of the 1932 act which were manufactured and on hand June 21, 1932."

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statements. It will cost something, but if commissioners knew that every item would be scrutinized by the people they would consider well every dollar spent, and the saving would be many times more than the cost of publication.

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In 1930 the shippers of Texas paid the railroads \$225,223,142 in freight charges. If the same volume and character of traffic had been carried by trucks it would have cost the shippers, according to the best available data on trucking costs, \$900,000,000, or four times as much.

What will be the effect on the shippers of Texas if only the traffic which the trucks cannot handle is left to the railroads? If traffic paying the higher rate is taken from the railroads by the trucks, it will be necessary for the rail carriers to increase their rates on the low grade traffic or go out of business. The total transportation bill will be greatly increased.

The railroad rate structure is a composite designed for the purpose of enabling the free movement of ALL ARTICLES OF COMMERCE, making it possible to bring even the cheapest commodities into general use and distribution. Were it not for the low rates made available by the railroads on many low grade commodities and raw materials, their distribution and use would be impossible and all commerce and industry would be seriously affected.

● THE RAILROADS CANNOT SUBSIST ON LOW GRADE TRAFFIC ALONE.

## THE TEXAS RAILROADS

# Relative Position Of All Candidates For State Offices

Below will be found the position of the candidates for state and district offices, as drawn by the County Democratic executive committee at its meeting in Eastland Monday, June 20. The county ticket was published in last week's issue of the Cisco Citizen but space was not available for the entire ticket.

Here is the position each candidate will occupy on the official ballot to be voted on July 23, for state and district offices:

For Governor—C. A. Drakes of Jefferson County, M. H. Wolfe of Dallas county, Miriam A. Ferguson of Travis county, J. Ed. Glenn of Bosque county, R. S. Sterling of Harris county, Tom F. Hunter of Wichita county, Frank Putnam of Harris county, Geo. W. Armstrong of Tarrant county, Roger Q. Evans of Bexar county.

For Lieutenant Governor—Edgar E. Witt of McLennan county.

For Attorney General—Clem Calhoun of Potter county, James V. Allred of Wichita county, Ernest Becker of Dallas county.

For State Comptroller of Public Accounts—George H. Sheppard of Nolan county, Rex McCabe of Dallas county.

For State Treasurer—Charley Lockhart of Travis county.

For State Superintendent of Public Instruction—Charles N. Shaver of Walker county, L. A. Woods of McLennan county.

For Commissioner of Agriculture—J. E. McDonald of Ellis county, L. A. Seymour of Travis county.

For Commissioner of the General Land Office—J. H. Walker of Hill county.

For State Railroad Commissioner: (4-year unexpired term)—Ernest O. Thompson of Potter county, C. A. DeWare of Washington county, Olin Culberson of Jackson county, Ed. T. Murphy of Polk county, W. Gregory Hatcher of Dallas county.

For State Railroad Commissioner: (6 year term)—Roy I. Tennant of Bell county, J. Jack Patterson of Bexar county, C. V. Terrell of Wise county, Lee Satterwhite of Ector county.

For Judge of the Court of Criminal Appeals—F. L. Hawkins of Ellis county.

### Congressman at Large

Place No. 1—Lawrence Westbrook of McLennan county, Cullen F. Thomas of Dallas county, Pink Parrish of Lubbock county, R. B. Hood of Parker county, Mrs. Alex L. Adams of Bexar county, Ida M. Darden of Tarrant county, E. G. Senter of Tarrant county, Geo. B. Terrell of Cherokee county, W. Sel-don Reed of Travis county, Ernest C. Ozro Cox of Travis county, W. Erskine Williams of Tarrant county, Geo. W. Schleicher of DeWitt county, Sherman Nelson of Montgomery county, Chesley W. Journey of McLennan county.

Place No. 2—J. H. Cyclone Davis of Hopkins county, B. D. Sartin of Wichita county, W. E. Myers of Tarrant county, Lamar Gill of Wil-lacy county, P. L. Downs of Bell county, Oscar F. Holcombe of Har-ris county, W. H. Hawkins of Erath county, G. B. Fisher of San Augus-tine county, Mrs. Phebe K. War-ner of Armstrong county, L. J. Su-lak of Fayette county, Joseph Wel-don Bailey, Jr., of Dallas county.

Place No. 3—W. E. Bill Lea of Orange county, Sterling P. Strong of Dallas county, Mrs. Fred Real of Keer county, Julian C. Hyer of Tarrant county, Joe Burkett of Bex ar county, Douglas W. McGregor of Harris county, J. F. Boog-Scott of Coleman county, John L. Meany of Harris county, Ben F. Herigel of Fayette county, A. H. King of Throckmorton county, V. I. Car-gille of Harris county, Alfred Wil-

liam Sasse of Victoria county, C. A. Mitchner of Irion county.

For Associate Justice of the Supreme Court—J. E. Hickman of Eastland county, Ocie Speer of Travis county, William Pierson of Hunt county.

For Congress, 17th District—Joe H. Jones of Eastland county, Thom-of Keer county, Julian C. Hyer of as L. Blanton of Taylor county.

### CROSS PLAINS VISITORS SPENT SUNDAY IN CISCO

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Neeb and children, of Cross Plains, were visitors in Cisco Sunday. While here Mr. Neeb, one of the live business men of that place, was a pleasant caller at the office of the Cisco Citizen. He left with a paid-in-advance receipt for the Citizen.

When subscribing to the people's weekly Mr. Neeb said: "I am not particularly interested in Cisco, but I have read the Citizen, and I want to subscribe for a newspaper whose editor has the nerve and backbone to stand for the people and champion their cause. I think when a newspaper comes out and fights the gas monopoly as the Citizen has been doing, it should be read by every person who believes in the rights of the masses against the onslaughts of the gas monopoly. I am certainly glad to see one newspaper come out against the legal banditry that the gas trust is inflicting upon the people, who have greater burdens than they can bear. I deem it a privilege to read one fearless newspaper."

### NEW PASTOR OF EASTLAND PRESBYTERIANS INSTALLED

Rev. D. Pryde Gillis is the new pastor of the Presbyterian congregation of Eastland. He preached his first sermon last Sunday, the beginning of his pastorate. Mr. Gillis comes to the Eastland church from Michigan.

### THE MULROYS HERE SUNDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Mulroy, of Santa Anna, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Campbell, at the Hotel Gude. Mr. Mulroy is a brother of Mrs. Campbell. Mr. and Mrs. Mulroy were former residents of Cisco, where Mr. Mulroy was connected with the West Texas Utilities Co. He was transferred to Ozona, and now is manager of the Utilities plant at Santa Anna.

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### Increased Postal Rates Be Charged Next Wednesday

Postal Rates of First Class Matter and Air Mail Begins Next Wednesday.

One of the relief measures the present congress enacted, when the people were crying for bread, was the hike in the postal rates. Postmaster W. H. Craddock requests the Citizen to give notice of this hike in postal rates, which will go into effect next Wednesday.

Of course the raise in postage rates of 33 1-3 per cent on first class mail matter is a small thing, but small increases in any extra expense is a burden to the people during these times.

But the "budget must be balanced," though whatever may befall. Congressmen must not have the franking privilege abridged to balance the budget, which, if discontinued would increase the revenues sufficiently to cure the postoffice deficit. Instead those (mis)representatives must increase postal rates 33 1-3 per cent.

Letters and other first class matter, including that for local delivery at letter-carrier offices and that for delivery or collection by rural or star-route carriers at all offices—three cents an ounce or fraction of an ounce.

Air mail, eight cents for the first ounce of fraction of an ounce, and 13 cents for each additional ounce or fraction of an ounce.

No change in the rate on postal cards, private mailing or post cards nor on letters for local delivery at offices not having letter carrier service.

Postmaster W. H. Craddock also states the local postoffice has in stock for sale a limited amount of the new Olympic stamps in three and five cent denominations.

### CISCOANS VISIT MORAN

The Moran News tells of the following Cisco folk visiting in Moran during the past week: "Luther McCrea and Mrs. Roy Chandler and son were guests of Mrs. Zelma Pope. Mrs. O. K. Linder and Miss Leota Pettus were guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Pettus.

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## Eastland County Fair To Be Held September 21-24

J. C. Patterson, county agent, announces dates for holding the Eastland county fair have been fixed for September 21, 22, 23 and 24. Fixing the dates this early, Mr. Patterson said, was for the purpose of allowing the managers of the fifteen communities to arrange their fairs prior to that date.

No committees have been named as yet, Mr. Patterson said, as the setting of dates was necessary first in order that other arrangements could be made. The committees will be selected in the near future and work of each committee outlined.

The Eastland county fair is, in reality, divided into three sections, one being the livestock show at Cisco, one the poultry show in Ranger, usually held in the late fall and the other the agricultural fair held in Eastland during the latter part of the summer.

No dates have as yet been set for the livestock and poultry exhibits at Cisco and Ranger, the poultry exhibit being planned after the close of the fair at Eastland.

It is predicted that the exhibits at all fairs will be larger this year than ever before because of the renewed interest in agriculture

and the large amount of farm produce that is expected to be raised throughout the county.

Attendance at all branches of the county fair last year was larger than usual and it is expected that this year will find the crowds increased over the attendance of last year.

### NOTICE TAX PAYERS

If you have not already rendered your taxes to the city of Cisco for 1932, please call at the city hall before June 15th and keep your property off the unrendered roll.

J. B. CATE,

38-4tc City Tax Assessor

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